People, Profits and the Planet:
Prospects in the face of corporate supremacy
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Colombia is on the brink... With ongoing peace talks between the FARC and the Colombian government and nascent efforts by the government to restore stolen land to displaced communities, hope is growing. Nevertheless, over 40% of Colombia’s national territory has either been given or asked for in a mining concession, and 2013 saw the highest murder rate of human rights defenders and local community leaders in the last decade, precisely because people are reclaiming that land stolen and speaking up louder for justice.

Tierra Digna and FOR Peace Presence respond to this urgent reality.

Tierra Digna is a Colombian lawyers collective working with rural communities that face being forced off their land by armed groups, the Colombian state, and multinational corporations. Tierra Digna works with these communities to develop strategies to create alternatives. Through legal aid and advocacy, research, and capacity building, Tierra Digna is pioneering a path in holding the state and corporations accountable to protect these communities, their cultures, and our environment.

FOR Peace Presence provides physical safety, political visibility and solidarity by accompanying communities and organizations that embrace active nonviolence to defend life, land and dignity. Accompanying Tierra Digna, we represent international concern for irresponsible mining and other development practices and stand in solidarity with citizens most distressed by environmental, economic, and cultural destruction. Tierra Digna and FOR Peace Presence collaborate to raise national and international awareness of damages inflicted upon these marginalized communities.

Check out this video by Johana of Tierra Digna about the tour: www.youtube.com/watch?v=JhJp_vzCezI

We invite you to join us as part of a series of powerful conversations and change.
If you are interested in arranging a speaking event in your town or city, contact us at info@peacepresence.org