

# LaRouche Youth Sponsor Mexico City Forum on Great Water Projects

On Nov. 10, the Mexico City LaRouche Youth Movement (LYM) hosted a forum in the Mexican Congress entitled “NAWAPA-PLHINO: A New Concept of Infrastructure. The PLHINO (Northwest Hydraulic Plan) would bring water from the western Mexican state of Nayarit, up to the northwestern state of Sonora, to intersect with the southern limit of the proposed North American Water and Power Alliance (NAWAPA).

The conference was attended by over 180 guests, including students, professors, engineers, congressional aides, and other professionals. The keynote presentation was delivered via telephone from Germany by Helga-Zepp-LaRouche (see below). Panelists included Mexican Sen. Alfonso Elías Serrano and Congressman Rogelio Díaz Brown, both of whom strongly restated their commitment to the PLHINO project, as part of an overall economic policy of returning Mexico to the path of development and sovereignty.

Other speakers included water engineer Manuel Frías Alcaraz, the country’s foremost expert on the PLHINO, who prepared the detailed studies of the PLHINO 21st-Century design; Rafael Basurto, a researcher at the National Institute of Nuclear Research of Mexico and a leader of the Nuclear Workers Union; as well as Mexico LYM members Manuel Romero, Lourdes Montes, and Erik De León. LaRouchePAC “Basement Team” researchers Meghan Rouillard and Sky Shields spoke via teleconference from Virginia.

Lourdes Montes began the conference by making a call for leadership to the youth in attendance. She discussed the disintegrating cultural condition of the youth generation, and said that in this time of crisis, we need not just patriots coming out of the universities, but citizens of the world, who understand the true role of human beings on this planet. The only way to create a true revolution is by building on those principles which humanity has been able to develop throughout the course of history. This is what the NAWAPA-PLHINO and similar projects represent.

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Helga Zepp-LaRouche

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## ‘Our Moral Fiber Is Being Tested’

*Helga Zepp-LaRouche, the founder of the Schiller Institute, gave this keynote address to the conference on Nov. 10.*

I am very happy to be able to speak to you, not only because Mexico has been for many years one of my absolutely favorite nations on this planet, but because we have right now an unprecedented moment in history. We are facing a breakdown crisis of the entire civilization. There is not one country, not one continent, which is not disintegrating at breathtaking speed, so that we are really faced with a situation where the moral fiber of mankind is being tested.

Will we be able to change our ways? Will we be able to break with a political order which no longer guarantees the survival of billions of people on this planet?

First of all, this is not a financial crisis, a crisis which has a cyclical development, and then, eventually, an upswing, a boom, and ends. But we are instead looking at a breakdown of the entire planet. And just from discussions over the recent days in several European countries, there is no question that more and more people recognize that, and they recognize it because they are either in agriculture, or they are mayors, or they are strategists, or they are looking at this process of collapse from their angle, and they contribute more and more details. If you put the whole picture together, there is no question that the whole planet is right now disintegrating. The culture is just collapsing.