

Ralph Nader Left Right Conference May 27 in Washington, D.C.

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Ralph Nader has a new book out. It's called — <u>Unstoppable: The Emerging Left-Right Alliance to Dismantle the Corporate State (Nation Books, 2014).</u>

Nader says that while left and right will not likely agree on many issues — including social issues like gun control and abortion — they do agree on many corporate power issues —like corporate crime, the minimum wage, civil liberties, empire, corporate welfare, trade, the commercialization of childhood and the defense budget.

And tomorrow, May 27, 2014, in Washington, D.C., Nader's Center for Study of Responsive Law will hold a one day conference bringing together left and right on each of those issues.

Nader and Jim Hightower will make opening remarks — followed by eight panels.

The opening panel on corporate crime will be moderated by *Corporate Crime Reporter* editor Russell Mokhiber. On the left will be Bill Black of University of Missouri Kansas City School of Law and on the right will be Zachary Kitts of the K&G Law Group.

The panel on raising the minimum wage will be moderated by James Glassman. On the left will be Hightower and on the right will be Ron Unz.

The civil liberties panel will be moderated by Marc Rotenberg of the Electronic Privacy Information Center. On the left will be Heidi Boghosian of the National Lawyers Guild and on the right will be Fred Smith of the Competitive Enterprise Institute.

The corporate welfare panel will be moderated by Ryan Alexander of Taxpayers for Common Sense. On the left will be Lisa Gilbert of Public Citizen and Greg LeRoy of Good Jobs First. On the right will be Pete Sepp of the National Taxpayers Union and James T. Bennett of George Mason University.

The defense budget panel will be moderated by Angela Canterbury of the Project on Government Oversight. On the left will be Miriam Pemberton of the Institute for Policy Studies and Dan Smith of US PIRG. On the right will be Daniel McCarthy of the American Conservative and Chris Preble of the Cato Institute.

The trade panel will be moderated by Nader. On the left will be Lori Wallach of Global Trade Watch and on the right will be Judson Phillips of Tea Party Nation.

The empire panel will be moderated by Nader. On the left will be Medea Benjamin of Code Pink and on the right will be attorney Bruce Fein.

The commercialization of childhood panel will be moderated by Nader. On the left will be Josh Golin of the Campaign for a Commercial Free Childhood and on the right will be Jim Metrock of Obligation Inc.

Admission is free and a complimentary light breakfast and lunch will be served.