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# A BLUEPRINT FOR PROGRESS TO BE PRESENTED TO THE INTERNATIONAL UNION CONFERENCE IN 1997

### WE HOLD these truths to be self-evident:

1. That the worldwide Georgist movement is very badly organised;
2. That the demise of Socialism presents the Georgist movement with its greatest opportunity in 100 years;
3. That the deepest disaster for any organisation is division and the greatest good is unity.

### WE THEREFORE SUBMIT to the IU conference of 1997 the following resolutions which we firmly believe will, if passed, finally unite the movement.

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| I    | That the leaders of all Georgist organisations be asked to use their best efforts to unify the movement within two principal divisions: A political movement and a research and education organisation.  | YES | NO |
| II   | That all Georgist organisations be asked to use the 1871 image of Henry George as the 'preferred' image.   | YES | NO |
| III  | That the Georgist political movement in each country be called 'The Progressive Movement of [country]'.  | YES | NO |
| IV   | That the Georgist research and education organisation of each country be called 'The Henry George Foundation of [country]'.  | YES | NO |
| V    | That every Georgist should consider it his or her first desire to support one or both of the above national organisations.   | YES | NO |
| VI   | That if the foregoing resolutions are passed at the IU conference, that the leaders of all Georgist organisations in each country together prepare a report on the best way to implement the above recommendations in their respective countries and then, soon after the publication of this report, call a national assembly of Georgists to debate and, if possible, implement the recommendations of the report. | YES | NO |
| VII  | That together the national Henry George Foundations shall constitute the 'The International Georgist Union'.   | YES | NO |
| VIII | That together the national Progressive Movements shall constitute the 'International Progressive Alliance'.  | YES | NO |

If these resolutions are accepted and implemented we *will* create a medium worthy of the message. We *will* begin to succeed beyond our wildest dreams and our main points of debate will be how to cope with success! By 2020 all the countries of the world will have seen the light - and heard it. So, good fairy godmothers, all *use* your magic wands (your voice, your vote). Start beating your Georgist leaders with it - tell them to start co-operating. Please return this page to me at 6 Briarwood, Bristol BS9 3SS, UK., duly completed, if you would like me to register your views.

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