

> Hi Neil,
> in the night there a battle in CHIAIANO a residential quarter in Naples.
> Over two thousands people demonstrating against a big landfill proposal
> just there (but also asking recycling and composting) have been surrounded
> from police and there was a fight. The activist were arrested and in today
> morning there will be processed. They risk from one year to five years of
> prison just "thanks" to Berlusconi government last decisions. In the
> morning and in the afternoon there will be two demonstration in solidarity
> of arrested people and to ask a zero waste chance for Naples. As you can
> understand in Naples (but also in all Italy) there is a "BAD CLIME FOR
> DEMOCRACY". I know that in the mid of "civil" Europe it is not easy to
> understand . Maybe you can think that I AM EXAGERATING BUT IT IS NOT SO.
> New italian Government (thanks to an agreement with opposition of
> democratic party) want not only comes back to nuclear power but also build
> many incinerators (now blocked by a VERY BIG POPULAR OPPOSITION) and
> other dirty plants as very big biomass power plants burning industrial
> waste coming from paper mills and wood industry. The most part of italian
> industrial groups are involved in this "dirty business" as a FIAT(italian
> and international car industries), Marcegaglia group (very involved in
> biomass power plants), Falck group , WASTE-ITALY and now VEOLIA group a
> france corporation who has gained italian ANSALDO AND TERMOMECCANICA. ALL
> THESE WANT TO BUILD INCINERATORS BUT PEOPLE (as Paul Connett knows very
> well does not want). Maybe in Italy(and in Naples first of all) we are
> playing a crucial battle not only at local level but also for an important
> part of Europe. WITH NAPLES CRISIS WASTE MANAGEMENT ISSUE IS BECAME
> POLITICAL ISSUE NUMBER ONE.
> We'll try to update you and all GAIA friends through our web site
> www.ambientefuturo.org but I ask you all to follow very well what is
> happening in Naples. Ciao Rossano Ercolini/RETE NAZIONALE RIFIUTI ZERO