## Speakers at the Islamophobia Conference 2016



Houria Bouteldja is a spokesperson of Parti des Indigènes de la République. She has published numerous articles and participated in numerous international conferences, particularly on the issues of Islamophobia, race and feminist issues.



**Rob Ferguson** is an NUT officer in Newham and a campaigner for Stand Up to Racism. Rob is a long-time antiracist activist and has been an active campaigner against Islamophobia and against the Prevent strategy in particular, both in Newham and national level. He has worked with a wide range of activists and organisations over Prevent and Islamophobia.



**Ramon Grosfoguel** is a professor in the Department of Ethnic Studies at the University of California at Berkeley and a research associate of the Maison des Science de l'Homme in Paris. He has published extensively in the fields of Political-Economy of the World-System, International Migration and Decolonial Studies.



**Richard Haley** has been active in the anti-war movement since 2003. He was an early member of Scotland Against Criminalising Communities (SACC), which was set up in 2003 to resist the erosion of civil liberties in the name of the "war on terror" and the associated rise of Islamophobia and racism. He is currently Chair of SACC. He lives in Edinburgh.



**Gus John** is an International Consultant and Executive Coach as well as Honorary Fellow and Associate Professor at the UCL Institute of Education. In 1965, he worked with the Campaign Against Racial Discrimination towards the enactment of the Race Relations Act 1968. He became the first black Director of Education in the UK in 1989. He was involved in advising on the provisions of the Race Relations (Amendment) Act 2000.In 2010, Gus John wrote *The Case for a Learner's Charter for Schools* 



Nisha Kapoor is Lecturer in Sociology at the University of York. She has previously held research posts at the Center for Race, Ethnicity and Gender in the Social Sciences at Duke University (REGSS), Manchester Metropolitan University and the University of Manchester. She co-edited *The State of Race* in 2013 and is publishing a monograph with Verso in 2017 provisionally titled 'Extraordinary Extradition'.



Les Levidow helped to set up the Campaign Against Criminalising Communities (CAMPACC) in early 2001. Previously he was involved in other campaigns against criminalisation, e.g. against the Prevention of Terrorism Act 1974, the Italy '79 Committee, support for the 1984-85 miners' strike, and the Free Samar and Jawad Campaign. He also has opposed the Israeli Occupation through various UK campaigns such as Jews for Boycotting Israel Goods (J-BIG) and the British Committee for the Universities of Palestine (BRICUP).



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