Tren Maya Made in Germany. Deutsche Bahn and the train of destruction

Infrastructure projects mean progress and development, according to the official discourse. Yet the "Tren Maya" project only appears at first glance to be a harmless project of the Mexican government: the new 1,500-kilometre line will connect five federal states. Politicians and companies promise jobs, an increase in tourism and even the road to modernity. In reality, the mega-project means the destruction the last rainforests of southern Mexico, the disregard for the rights of the indigenous population, land-grabbing and displacement, and additional militarisation in one of the most conflict-ridden regions of the country. On the other hand, a few others hope for great profits and are pushing for the realisation of the "Tren Maya".

German capital and German companies are also involved in the planning, construction and commissioning, as well as other European companies from Spain and France.

The independent report by the "Recherche-AG Tren Maya" („Investigation Group Tren Maya“) is describing the consequences of the project, shows (for the first time in German) the involvement of DB Consulting & Engineering, the interest of SIEMENS and TÜV Rheinland as well as the connection to German armament companies.

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