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## EMAR SEMINAR

### Is there an alternative to austerity? International working class viewpoint

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It has been eight years since the global financial and economic crisis hit the world. Austerity and budget consolidation are the touchstones of policy responses everywhere. It was claimed by our governments that THERE IS NO ALTERNATIVE TO AUSTERITY. Austerity, budget cuts, has been presented as a necessity. Deficit reduction is being required, and all political and social agendas have been shaped according to this task. The dominant mainstream understanding is based on the claim that the crisis was caused by profligate public spending. Although how exactly spending on schools and hospitals in the UK precipitated a global crisis is never quite explained. This seminar will be centred around the question of whether there are alternatives to austerity, and if yes why no government is trying any alternative route to deal with the economic crisis.

ALL WELCOME!

### SEMINAR SERIES No 3

Friday, 27 May 2016  
6:30pm - 8:30pm

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