



## The Newsletter of the 13th General Assembly

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**Professor Jayati Ghosh**

Educated at Delhi University, Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU) and the University of Cambridge, Jayati Ghosh is a distinguished and extraordinarily prolific economist and professor whose many interests include globalization, international finance, employment patterns in developing countries, macroeconomic policy, and issues related to gender and development.

She is currently the Executive Secretary of the International Development Economics Associates (IDEAS).

IDEAS was "established to build a pluralist network of heterodox economists engaged in the teaching, research and application of critical analyses of economic development."

### THE CURTIANS FALL ON CODESRIA'S RABAT ASSEMBLY

The lanterns of the 13th General Assembly of CODESRIA will go out this Friday, December 9, 2011 with the election of new executive and scientific committees.

CODESRIA will also work on a new charter and a new strategic plan with new priorities.

The reports of the Executive Secretariat and the Scientific Committee will be presented to the participants and will be debated among participants coming from different regions of Africa and elsewhere. One of the events today will be the



conference of Professor Jayati Ghosh, Executive Secretary of the International Development Economics Associates (IDEAS). She will be introduced to the public by Jomo Kwame Sundaram, a Malaysian scholar named after two African anti-imperialist leaders.

This conference will be followed by the

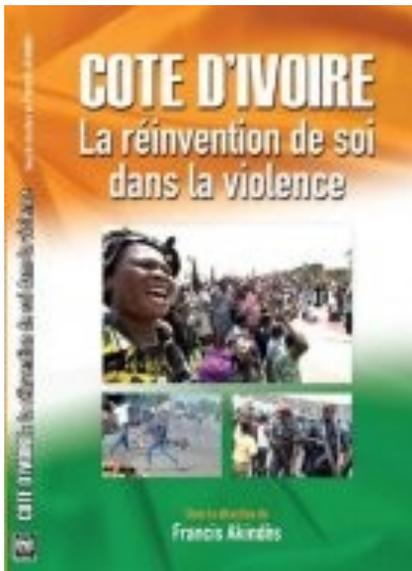
closing ceremony with the closing address by the outgoing president. The new president and new president of the Scientific Committee, the Executive Secretary and the representative of the Moroccan government were also expected to deliver their addresses.

A cultural evening is scheduled from 7pm to 11pm.

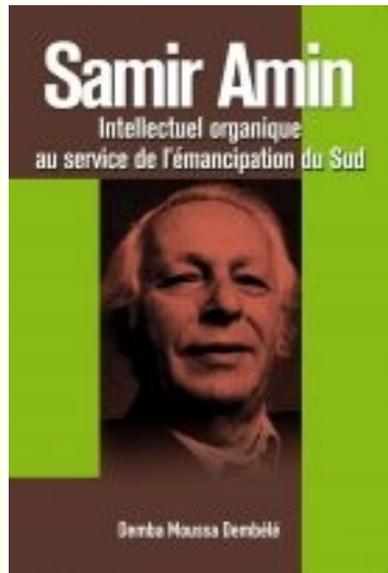
**Friday December 9, 2011**

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**Côte d'Ivoire :**  
**la réinvention de soi dans la violence. Sous la direction de Francis Akindès. Dakar, CODESRIA, 2011, 256 p., ISBN: 978-2-86978-328-7**



**Demba Moussa Dembélé. Samir Amin : Intellectuel organique au service de l'émancipation du Sud. Dakar, CODESRIA, 2011, 216 p, ISBN: 978-2-86978-487-1**



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**Question to: Jomo Kwame Sundaram, a prominent economist, named after two African anti-imperialist leaders.**

**What does the leading scholar think about the 13th GA ?**

I have attended two earlier GAs in Dakar and Maputo, so it has been a wonderful opportunity to meet old friends and make new ones. As Africa experiences economic boom times, it is rejoining the 'international community' in important ways, but there clearly are multiple intellectual communities and discourses, often mutually ignorant if not competitive.

The GA continues to respond to contemporary challenges, but clearly, there are important differences in perceptions of what are the major challenges of our times. For all generations, there is a great sensitivity to international developments affecting Africa, but there are also important differences in reference points. It will be important for CODESRIA to facilitate genuine dialogues to transcend such differences before they become unbridgeable divides.

I wish CODESRIA every success in the future because i know how important it has been and continues to be precisely because there is no CODESRIA in Asia despite various efforts to establish one, some of which I was involved in.

