

## Synopsis

With 1 billion of the world's population going to bed hungry at night, documentary film, "Last Supper For Malthus" sheds light on one of the most prevalent and alarming issues of our time, the global food crisis.

Director Klaus Pas brings to life political-economists Thomas Malthus and David Ricardo, intertwining their theories with gripping images and interviews from some of the world's leading experts on the topic, including figures such as U.N. Secretary General, Ban Ki-moon, Nobel Peace Prize Winner, Dr. Rajendra Pachauri, Dr. Jacques Diouf, Jean Ziegler, Olivier de Schutter and Donal Cox.

The film goes beyond focusing on some of the most controversial issues today including changing diets, climate change and the use of food for fuel and considers the effects of the worst global economic crisis seen in over 80 years.

A leading and up-to-date reference work on the food crisis, "Last Supper For Malthus" is unique in its presentation of long-term feasible solutions and can be seen as more than a movie, but a tool in solving what has been deemed by many as the "Permanent Food Crisis".

« The International Community is now facing a triple crisis: a development emergency, the global food crisis and climate change. » **Ban Ki-moon**

« To fill up the tank of car that runs on ethanol (around 50l), you need to burn 354 Kg of corn. With these 354 Kg of corn, a child living in Mexico or Zambia can feed itself for a whole year. It is therefore a crime against humanity. » **Jean Ziegler**

« It is not a matter of population. It is the population and the tools it uses to be able to be more productive and more effective. And this is through technology and through investment. » **Jacques Diouf**

« Here we are at this world historical moment, for the first time, over half of the world's population lives in cities. They don't produce food. They're dependent on someone else. » **Gary Howe**

« Man is an animal. A vice-ridden animal, but luckily so, for were he not, he would overbreed himself out of existence. »

**Thomas R. Malthus**

## Technical Data

Run time: 52 minutes

Image: BETACAM DIGITAL 16/9 (1:1.78) Color

Sound: Stereo

Languages: English, French and Spanish

Available with English or French subtitles

Production: Turbulence Films (Switzerland) - 2009

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# LAST SUPPER FOR MALTHUS

THE PERMANENT FOOD CRISIS  
A FILM BY KLAUS PAS

TURBULENCE FILMS PRESENTS A PASMANIA EARTH PRODUCTION "LAST SUPPER FOR MALTHUS"  
MUSIC BY PATRICK HANEQUAND DIRECTOR OF PHOTOGRAPHY ANDREW BROOKE  
SOUND BY MELANIE BRIAND / NASSIM EL MOUNABBIH / JULIEN BOURGON EDITED BY KHALED SALEM  
PRODUCED BY KLAUS PAS / ADRIAN WESTBROOK / TIMOTHY BRIAND  
WRITTEN BY KLAUS PAS / ADRIAN WESTBROOK DIRECTED BY KLAUS PAS

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