

2012

## SSF, And It's Identity

Rodney D. Coates  
*Miami University*

Follow this and additional works at: <https://scholarlycommons.law.case.edu/swb>



Part of the [Human Rights Law Commons](#), and the [Social and Behavioral Sciences Commons](#)

### Recommended Citation

Coates, Rodney D.. 2012. "SSF, And It's Identity." *Societies Without Borders* 7 (4): 478-479.  
Available at: <https://scholarlycommons.law.case.edu/swb/vol7/iss4/9>

This Expression is brought to you for free and open access by the Cross Disciplinary Publications at Case Western Reserve University School of Law Scholarly Commons. It has been accepted for inclusion in Societies Without Borders by an authorized administrator of Case Western Reserve University School of Law Scholarly Commons.

R. D. Coates/*Societies Without Borders* 7:4 (2012) 478-479

*Expressions*  
**SSF, and It's Identity**

**Rodney D. Coates**  
Miami University

*Received September 2012; Accepted December 2012*

---

SSF is neither a person nor an entity,  
but an idea and a dream.  
It is neither an event nor a moment,  
but a process and a praxis.  
The dream is not tied to a person or a place,  
rather it resides in the spirit of freedom.

The quest of SSF is neither linked to this specific group  
nor to that specific purpose,  
rather it lingers in the eternal plans of possibilities  
where only dreamers dare go.  
It is the essence of our hopes,  
the persistence of our determinations,  
and the deliberateness of our persistence  
which charts our course.

When long after the glint in our eyes has lost its glamor,  
long after our resolve has been broken  
long after our fervor is a distant memory -  
those who pick up the baton,  
those who hear the clarion call of justice,  
those who yet march to a distant drummers' beat -  
they will live on - nourished by the  
dreams we this day dream.

**Rodney D. Coates** is a public sociologists who utilizes poetry,  
photographs, editorials and other creative forms to promote social

~478~

© *Sociologists Without Borders/Sociólogos Sin Fronteras*, 2012

*R. D. Coates/Societies Without Borders 7:4 (2012) 478-479*

justice and human rights. He is the past recipient of Sociologists without Borders Said Award for poetry and social justice.

~479~