Om shanti to extended green team over the whole world. Many peaceful greetings.

Green Team

In the NC and CC meeting in Madhuban last month, October 2013, we invited the whole gathering into the green team! We all breathe the same air, and eat food from the earth, so in principle we are all in the green team. Hope you like the thought. I suppose all of you on this mailing list also have an interest to serve in this area. Please let us know if you would like to contribute even more.

During the NC retreat we had a presentation for the whole group, emphasing our expertise on awareness change in this service field, latest update from our India One Solar Plant, two best practices from Durban and Ho Chi Minh plus a workshop on Inner Resilience.

Climate Change Conference COP19

United Nations Climate Change Conference is just around the corner - 11th -22nd November in Warsaw, Poland. Lots of attention is going there right now. We are a smaller delegation this time, due to restrictions in numbers for all NGO all over the world. The delegation this time is Sister Jayanti, Golo, Valeriane Switzerland, Julia, from New York, François (France), Nonie (Peru), Juan (Canada), Aneta from Poland, Sonja (Denmark, plus a very enthusiastic Youth Group - Ash, Romina and Gaby from the UK. And the very enthusiastic and great Polish Family.

We have updated the green website with some news. I enclose the calendar of event, where you can see some of the programs that will happen. The **World Peace meditation Sunday 17th** will coincide with COP19 and a Catholic Mass for the Climate. We do hope you will join us in that.

We are most happy to share news as we go along - but how shall we best do that? Please advice. The reports will go up on our website and the facebook group.

The Brahma Kumaris-Pachamama Alliance Partnership - latest news from Arnold in Holland.

Together We Are Transforming the Dream of the Modern World Expansion

Since The Pachamama Alliance and the Brahma Kumaris started our journey together 2 years ago, the Awakening the Dreamer Workshop has been presented in 21 countries across the globe. The presenters of this workshop are Brahma Kumaris champions who adopted these materials to awaken others into a new way of dreaming; a new way of relating to people and to the planet, understanding the interconnectedness of all. This partnership proves on the importance of working together as a coalition to create a sustainable, just and fulfilling world.

An Opportunity for You

You too can play an important role in the creation of a human presence that is environmentally sustainable, socially just and spiritually fulfilling. Become a Workshop Facilitator and experience the joy of seeing workshop participants find a sense of possibility for themselves and for the world. The workshop materials have been designed to support

anyone -experienced or not- in discovering the power of their own voices, so we invite you to join the many who are already empowering others to transform the dream.

To get started, please Download the workshop here

To connect with other active Facilitators, please <u>create a login here</u>

For questions, please email arnold@theproperway.com

News and film from the Australia Tour

The tour of Australia was fantastic and please enjoy the two enclosed reports from two retreats beautifully edited by sister Chris in Sydney. The other report from all the programs will come to you next time. You can see a beautiful film here from the Retreat Centre at the Aravalli Sanctuary where brothers Robin and Michael lives: http://vimeo.com/76248960

In remembrance and all the best for now

Sonja

ps if you don't want these mails, please don't hesitate to tell us.

Calendar of Events at the Climate Change Conference COP19 2013 in Warsaw, Poland For nominated delegates to COP19, National Stadium

Exhibition 11th – 16th November: Shifts in consciousness and systemic thinking open the doors to beneficent technologies and sustainable life-styles grounded in integrity and care. We showcase the sunrise technologies of Sustainable Yogic Agriculture and India One's Solar Power Plant as examples of such innovation and thinking.

Thursday 14th November at 11.30-12.00 Press Conference - Room 2 (located on Level -2, right next to Plenary 2)

Sustainability enacted by the Guiding Values of UNFCCC

Speakers; Curtis FJ Doebbler, Prof. of Law, International-Lawyers.Org - BK Jayanti Kirpalani, Director Brahma Kumaris, Europe -

Joachim Golo Pilz, Dir. Solar Research Institute

Wednesday 20th November at 11.30 -13.00 – Side Event Room Torun Global Justice, Equity and Sustainability

Climate negotiations are grounded in UNFCCC values, such as equity and cooperation, but are weakened by narrow interests. We consider the crucial role of systemic and holistic thinking and the principles of international law, human rights and inter-generational equity in the transition to a sustainable world. Partners: The International Youth and Student Movement for the United Nations (ISMUN), Brahma Kumaris World Spiritual University (BKWSU) and Global Alert for Defense of Youth and the Less Privileged (GADYLP).

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BK Jayanti Kirpalani, Director Brahma Kumaris, Europe.

Obi Goodluck, Dir. GADYLP, Nigeria

Joachim Golo Pilz. Dir. Solar Research Institute.

Mithika Mwenda, Secretary General, the Pan African Climate Justice Alliance

Moderator Oluwole Oshota, President ISMUN

Public Events Open For All

Thursday 14th November 18.00 – 20.00 - Living in Harmony - Restoring the Balance in Nature

Address: Związek Nauczycielstwa Polskiego, Warsaw, Smulikowskiego 6/8

Harmony is synonymous with inner peace and balance, which give feelings of happiness. Everyone wants happiness, and harmony is required for this - harmony within the self, harmony in relationships and harmony with the natural environment. How can we maintain our inner harmony in the face of negativity?

Guest speaker: Jayanti Kirpalani, Director of the Brahma Kumaris for Europe and the Middle East and spiritual leader and an emissary for peace for the last 45 years. She has been the head of the delegation and a speaker at the UN Climate Change Conferences since 2009. Proceeded by: Duśka Markowska Resich – journalist, director, and dramatist. Author of prize-winning ecological movies in Poland and abroad.

Tuesday 19th November 18.00 – 20.00 Consciousness and Climate Change

Address: The Meditation Gallery, Smolna 11, lok. 8A, 00-375 Warsaw

Guest speaker: **Golo Pilz**, Director of the Solar Research Institute in Rajasthan, has played a key role over the past 20 years in establishing the Brahma Kumaris World Spiritual University as one of the major developers of renewable energies in India. Golo is a popular speaker at international conferences, addressing audiences on the potential of renewable energies, as well as highlighting the relationship between consciousness and the manner in which technology impacts on the future of our planet. Golo is currently coordinating the design and construction of India One, a 1MW solar thermal power plant. This advanced dish-based power plant features thermal storage for continuous operation, generates heat and power, and will be a landmark in the future of the Indian renewable energy scenario. www.india-one.net

Global Climate YOUTH Meeting – COY9

Registration: http://powershift-cee.org

Thursday 7th Nov. 14.30 Workshop: A Journey to Empowerment

Although we all wish to achieve a common outcome, we are faced with the challenge of working as one, powerful, unified force. In a movement that is ever-growing, how can we feel empowered to make a real impact on our relationships and environmental surroundings? This workshop aims to examine and redefine what empowerment really is. Facilitators: Gaby Havard (UK) and Ash Patel (UK).

Friday 8th Nov. 14.30 - Workshop: Creating Inner Resilience in Challenging Times

When faced with challenges, either personal or global, we are encouraged to revise our way of thinking, and sometimes even our lifestyle. In the midst of change lies the opportunity to develop the inner resources that enable us to deal with whatever we are facing. This workshop explores ways in which to build inner resilience and create strong support systems to increase our effectiveness for long-term, sustainable change. Facilitators: Romina Melwani (UK) and Juan Jesus Milling (Canada/Mexico).

Public Events Across Poland

Gdansk:

Friday 22nd Nov. 12.00-15.00: Golo Pilz, Awareness and Environment, presentation on Solar Energy. Students from theAcademy of Tourism and Hotel Management (WSHiT), Technical Gastronomy School & Technical University

Venue: WSHiT, ul Miszewskiego 12/13, Gdansk

Sunday 24th Nov. 17.30: Francois Becher - How to Discover Your Resources and Manage Them Wisely

Venue: Gdanskie CH Manhattan, Al Grunwaldzka 82 (sala A, IIIp), Gdansk

Lodz: Friday 22nd Nov. 18.00, Being Resilient - the Art of Returning to Equilibrium, Valeriane Bernard

Venue: Galeria Manhattan, Lodz ul. Wigury 15, Lodz

Katowice: Monday 25th Nov. 17.30 – 20.00, Living in Harmony, Valeriane Bernard

Venue: Galeria medytacji, Uniwersytetu Brahma Kumaris, ul. Dyrekcyjna 9 lok 2, Katowice

Brahma Kumaris COP19 delegation

Sister Jayanti Kirpalani, UK/India – Head of Delegation, Main Representative at the UN, Geneva for the Brahma Kumaris and Director of Brahma Kumaris, Europe & Middle East

Francois Becher, France - Director of Brahma Kumaris, France

Golo Pilz, Germany/India - Director Solar Research Institute and Energy Advisor for the Brahma Kumaris **Juan Milling**, Canada - Head of Brahma Kumaris Youth delegation

Julia Grindon-Welch, USA - NGO Representative at the UN, New York for the Brahma Kumaris **Nonie Reano Quinteros**, Peru - Psychologist and Consultant for Business and Corporate Universities **Sonja Ohlsson**, Denmark - Designated Contact Point to the UNFCCC and Co-ordinator of the Brahma Kumaris Environment Initiative

Valeriane Bernard, Switzerland - NGO Representative at the UN, Geneva for the Brahma Kumaris **COY Youth Delegation** - Ash Patel (UK), Gaby Havard (UK), Romina Melwani (UK)

Links

Brahma Kumaris Environment Initiative — www.environment.brahmakumaris.org
India-One Solar Thermal Power Plant - www.india-one.net
Brahma Kumaris International — www.brahmakumaris.org
Brahma Kumaris Poland, Host Country for COP19 - www.brahmakumaris.org/poland
Brahma Kumaris at the UN — http://un.brahmakumaris.org