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REPORT OF ACTIVITIES 2020-2023**

Group meditations

Since 7 June 2020, online meditation on planetary synthesis every first Sunday of the month. The proposal to hold this meditation regularly was first made by Susana Aclé, from Brazil, at the 2020 General Assembly, and Marjolijn Snippe, from the Netherlands, proposed that we hold it every first Sunday of the month. This has been very successful, and we always have between 10 and 20 participants. Besides the meditation on planetary synthesis and a short reflection on the keynote of synthesis, the participants are invited to present their service activities.

Regular participation in Full Moon meditations at the Lucis Trust in Geneva.

IPS activities in Geneva and throughout the world

Since the pandemic, most meetings are now held online. The internet has replaced postal mailings to distribute information, but there are still a few times a year some requests for IPS publications on paper, mainly from Africa.

22.07.2020 - Online meeting with group in the Ukraine on Education in the New Age (Anatoly Zhukowsky).

18.11.2020 – Skype meeting with Yuri Kurnossow, IPS representative in Moscow.

18.01.2021 – Online meeting of the NGO Alliance on Global Concerns. The Alliance was dissolved in 2022.

18.06.2021 – Meeting with Marc Frei, from Lucern, Switzerland. Exchange of ideas on teachings of Dr. E. Krishnamacharya and education.

24.04.2022 – Meeting with Martin Dieser, for exchange of ideas on the world situation and world service activities.

14.05.2022 - Talk by Rudolf Schneider on “The Golden Rule” at online international meeting of “Líneas Jerárquicas de Acción” with groups in Bolivia, Brazil and Chile.

Study group on the 10 seed-groups via Zoom with Brazilian friends and co-workers. Monthly online meetings with meditation, telepathy exercise, study and correction of IPS booklets on the 10 seed-groups in Portuguese.

Group contacts and activities

Cooperation with Núcleo Aquariano Brasil (<https://nucleoaquarianobrasil.org>): Exchange of links on our websites, publication of IPS studies in Portuguese on the 10 seed-groups on the site of Núcleo Aquariano Brasil. Maria Elisabeth Cabral de Mello reported on our cooperation with the Núcleo Aquariano Brazil. Besides the revision of the IPS booklets on the 10 seed-groups in Portuguese, they are starting a program of monthly open lessons and hope the IPS will contribute a lesson on the 10 seed-groups. The website of Núcleo Aquariano Brazil is constantly expanding because of the demand for spiritual teachings in Portuguese, which until now were mainly available in English and Spanish. They are also seeking for channels to enter Portuguese-speaking countries in Africa. The cooperation with the IPS is very dear to them and they consider that the IPS work is of great importance.

Cooperation with Institut Alcor: Participation in study groups on: “A Treatise on Cosmic Fire” (5 times every year in Clermont-Ferrand or online), “A Treatise on White Magic and Telepathy and the Etheric Vehicle” (5 times every year in Geneva, Lausanne or Annecy region), “Fraternité des 7 Rayons” (monthly online meetings, physical meetings in Limonest); annual conferences (in Geneva, at the end of June).

Participation in a French-speaking intergroup project, the “Intergroupe”, with Institut Alcor, Fraternités group and Association Pont Arc-en-Ciel/École Rainbow Bridge. The Intergroupe regularly practices a group meditation and holds meetings online every two months and physical meetings once a year. Its stated objective is to “be a centre of active wisdom and spread an inner attitude based on the energy of the heart to promote society’s transformations”.

Cooperation with Lucis Trust: online participation in annual conferences, full moon meditations (online and at the Geneva office), World Goodwill seminars and webinars, help revising text of German edition of “Yoga of Patanjali” in German.

Cooperation with Foundation Unity of All Life: study group meetings at Lucern, Switzerland, every 3 or 4 months (17.07.2020, 24.07.2020, 27.02.2021, 24.07.2021, 15.01.2022, 29.05.2022, 29.10.2022, 27.12.2022).

Cooperation with Master E.K. Spiritual and Service Mission: revision and translation of Dr. Krishnamacharya’s books in English and French. In preparation: “Book of Rituals” and “The Teachings of Pythagoras” in French. Revision of English text for publication as new ebook editions of the books by Dr. E. Krishnamacharya. These texts are now also available on the IPS website. Online participation in annual Gurupuja (11.01.2022, 11.01.2023).

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The IPS has consultative status, Roster category, with the Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) of the United Nations and with the United Nations Environment Program (UNEP). Our representative at the UN, Lisinka Ulatowska, attended many online meetings at both the UN and UNEP. She is also the co-ordinator of the Commons Cluster of the UN NGO Major Group of which the IPS was a cofounder in 2009. Since then the IPS has co-led the creation of all documents officially submitted by the Commons Cluster to the UN. The IPS was also a signatory of all the work put out by the

Commons Cluster and the sole sponsor of many of the oral and written statements made. Ulatowska also works with other NGO representatives to prepare papers and proposals on many UN initiatives.

The Commons Cluster has held monthly strategy meetings since 2009. Since 2015 these have been preceded by a monthly workshop: Communicating with Nature, led by Maia Kincaid, which led to the production of the trilogy on Integrating Nature into the Implementation of the SDGs (discussed at our previous triennial meeting). This led to an initiative, Storytelling the SDGs (How Children can play a role in implementing the SDGs.) Two books of this trilogy have now been completed and the first book was presented to around 50 UN Ambassadors at the 2022 HLPF to read to their children and grandchildren to build bridges between them.

In 2021 the decision was made by the whole Commons Cluster to adopt the motto: United world rooted in Nature, and our major works since then have echoed that theme. These include a 66-page paper, Building a Foundation of Unity in Diversity to Implement the Whole 2030 Agenda with an Emphasis on SDGs 4, 5, 14, 15, and 17, completed on June 29, 2022; and a 10-page paper written in June 2022 focussing on the SIFA Plan called, Co-creating a Sustainable Global Community that Works for All. A Comprehensive Approach. The latter was sent out in English, French, Spanish and Chinese.

In January 2023, we expanded our approach to focus also on inner development by inviting the participation speakers and new participants also from the HeartMath Institute. These work with a combination of science, spirituality and inner development. The paper we are just now completing is called: Integrating the Laws and Qualities of Nature to Implement the 2030 Agenda. In addition to English, French, Spanish and Chinese, this document will also be sent out in Arabic. Unfortunately, we have lost touch with our friends in the Russian Federation and so we are unable to send our work out in the full 6 languages. Any help in this respect would be more than welcome. This document will arrive in time for UN Member States to consult it, as they prepare for this year's High Level Political Forum.

All our Commons Cluster documents are sent to Heads of States and Government, all Ambassadors in Geneva, NY, Nairobi, all UNESCO Ambassadors in Paris and all UNESCO National Commissions. Our mailing lists are constantly updated.

Almost all our documents both feature initiatives from the grassroots worldwide and are distributed to grassroots organizations worldwide using our own Commons Cluster mailing list as well as many lists of UN-affiliated organizations focussing on sustainable development. In this way, we are carrying out one of our mandates relating to global psycho-synthesis-building by creating an ongoing channel of communication between the grassroots and the UN Member States, much as the cells and organs of the human body are connected to the human brain. In this way, we hope to promote the next evolutionary step in enabling an organic global community to emerge in keeping with the evolutionary principles that enable new sustainable living forms to develop.

Upon a proposal by Lisinka Ulatowska, a World Marshall Plan was adopted by the Commons Cluster and mentioned at an IPS meditation, upon which it took off with a great deal of enthusiasm from a large number of participants in the IPS monthly meditation, who started exploring this new supplementary income for all (SIFA Plan) based on the ideas of Pieter Kooistra in his book, "The Ideal Self-Interest, an extra world basic income for all people". The first meeting to discuss the project was on 20 June 2020 and regular online meetings were held since then,

organized and facilitated by IPS Secretary Alice Boainain Schneider. These first discussed the project itself, then its implementation. While a small group updated the many detailed writings that existed on the Plan, numbers decreased sharply. And although various papers on the SIFA Plan were created for presentation during the High-Level Political Forum on Sustainable Development in July 2022 and a website was designed on the plan (supplementaryincomeforall.org), numbers declined sharply. In December 2023, Alice Boainain Schneider resigned her position after many months of excellent support. The SIFA project is now all but defunct and no longer holds meetings.

06.11.2020 – Rudolf Schneider attended some meetings of the Geneva Peace Week, an annual initiative of the Geneva Peacebuilding Platform in collaboration with the Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies, the United Nations Office at Geneva (UNOG).

08.04.2021 – Rudolf Schneider attended a virtual dialogue with Ms. Tatiana Valovaya, Director-General of the United Nations Office at Geneva (UNOG) and Dr. Liberato (Levi) Bautista, President of the Conference of Non-Governmental Organizations in Consultative Relationship with the United Nations (CoNGO), moderated by Mrs. Lidiya Grigoreva, Chief UNOG Liaison Unit.