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# SEVENTEENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY 22 MAY 2005 REPORT ON 22-24th YEARS OF ACTIVITY 27 APRIL 2002 – 22 MAY 2005

# **ONGOING ACTIVITIES**

Seminar on the 7 rays facilitated by Rudolf Schneider at the Foundation "Unity of All Life" in Lucerne, Switzerland.

Public conferences by IPS branch in Zaire.

Co-operation with groups and organisations all over the world that promote and spread the 10 seedgroup structure.

Distribution of studies (compilations) on the esoteric sciences, to a large extent free of charge, in particular for seekers and world servers in Africa, Latin America and Asia.

Donating the works of Master Djwhal Khul and the Agni Yoga series, as well as Dr. E. Krishnamacharya's books to groups and units of service in various parts of the world.

Managing the Maitreya Project, an initiative for funding the 6 hierarchical means described by Master Djwhal Khul in his book "The Externalisation of the Hierarchy".

Maitreya Project: Granted funds to support the publication of the Alice Bailey in Russia, to group activities in Africa and to send donations of books to libraries in Africa and South America.

Maintaining an information and documentation centre in Geneva on projects, studies and activities related to the 10 areas covered by the 10 seed-group structure.

Active participation in conferences, group meetings and meditations in and outside the United Nations.

Cooperation with the United Nations: participation in several international conferences (Johannesburg, DPI annual conference). The IPS has been awarded consultative status at ECOSOC (in the Roster). Since 1999, the IPS nominates representatives for all five regional U.N. Economic Commissions, besides its representatives at the U.N. Offices in New York (Lisinka Ulatowska and Patrick Petit), Geneva and Vienna (Sally Curry, Rudolf Schneider and Alice Boainain-Schneider). The IPS is also a member of the UNESCO International Network of Documentation Centres on Adult Education and of the global movement for a culture of peace launched by UNESCO.

Publication of an English, French, German, Spanish and Russian newsletter with sections on group meditations, group contacts and activities, books for world servers, news from the UN, calendar of forthcoming group activities which come to our notice, and enclosures informing about the activities of various groups with which we co-operate.

# HIGHLIGHTS OF IPS ACTIVITIES During its 22nd-24th years (2002-2005)

- Continuation of regular IPS activities, as until now: participation in conferences and seminars, giving upon invitation seminars and talks on 10 seed-groups, the eternal values and ethics, publication of newsletters with enclosed esoteric studies, networking.
- Organising and cataloguing on computer our lending library according to the 10 seed-group structure.
- Reprints of our publications in German that have run out of print, preparation and publication of our studies in other languages.
- The IPS website is now available in 5 languages: English, French, German, Spanish and Russian.
- The IPS/Geneva has continued to sponsor conferences in Russia and to distribute the Russian edition of the newsletter in Russia, the Ukraine, Belarus and other Russian-speaking countries.
- Publication of the studies on the 10 seed-groups in Russian, thanks to the help of Mr. Vitaly Yegorov. Publication in Russia by Amrita House of some of the booklets of the IPS on the sciences.
- New contacts in Belarus, Siberia and the Ukraine.
- Expanding the network in Latin America in cooperation with local groups, especially with the help of Marion Remus (Centro del Sol), and Nila Tadic de Ossiao, in Bolivia, and our triangle of co-workers in Brazil: Unidade de Serviço para a Educação Integral (Resende, Rio), Willis Harman House (São Paulo), Fundação Vida à Mata Atlântica (Una, Bahia).
- Cooperation with the Alcor Institute in Geneva, of which Rudolf Schneider and Alice Boainain-Schneider, of the IPS Executive Committee, are co-founders and members of the Sponsoring Committee.
- Cooperation with various Committees of NGO's with consultative status at the United Nations: the Committee on Values, Spirituality and Global Concerns (former Spiritual Values Caucus), the Committee on Freedom of Religion and Belief, the NGO Forum for Health, Jumping the Fence, the Spiritual Forum.
- Participation in the follow-up meeting to the World Summit for Sustainable Development (Rio + 10), in September 2002 in Johannesburg.

# DETAIL OF GROUP CONTACTS AND ACTIVITIES

## ACTIVITIES OF THE IPS GENEVA OR ITS BRANCHES

**30 May 30 - 1 June 2002, Kiev, Ukraine -** Second International Conference "On the Threshold of the New World: New Approaches to Education and Health", within the framework of a Festival "Family of the New Millennium", around the International Day for the protection of children. This annual conference was initiated and organised by six Ukrainian NGOs in cooperation with the IPS.

10-24 August 2002 - Group meetings in Namibia

**18 September 2002 -** We received at the Geneva office the visit of Prakash Sharma, who shared with us his project of an International Peace Film Festival to take place in Mumbai, India

**19 September 2002 -** Dan Winter's visit. Dan Winter developed a program and machine to measure and develop coherence in heart waves, thus providing a sophisticated feedback system to create harmony and peace.

**18-20 October –** Seminar: "Death - The Great Adventure", based on Alice A. Bailey's book and the teachings of the Tibetan, in Cochabamba, Bolivia, South America.

6-9 November 2002 – International Conference "Dialogue of Civilisations", Shchelkovo, Moscow, Region, Russia.

**19 December 2002 –** Day of reflection organised by IPS-Cabinda, on the occasion of the Sagittarius Full Moon and to mark the first anniversary of IPS-Cabinda in Angola.

9 March 2003, Geneva – Visit by Dr. Alexander Pelmenschikov, phD in quantum chemistry, and Dr. Ricardo Missaglia, his colleague at Milan University

22-25 May 2003 – 3<sup>rd</sup> International Conference "On the Threshold of a New World: Current Models of Education and Healthcare", Kiev, Ukraine

**22-25 May 2003 –** Evening study group on the science of the seven rays, the work of the NGOs and the United Nations, Kiev, Ukraine

**1-3 August 2003 –** 14<sup>th</sup> Intergroup meeting, Queluz, Brazil, intergroup meeting organised by the Unit of Service Triangles and World Goodwill of Brazil, with groups in Campinas, João Pessoa, Natal, Resende and Rio de Janeiro, by the local representatives of the IPS and of the International Children's Peace Council

**19 September 2003 –** Meeting with Stephan Mögle-Stadel, Mr. and Ms. Schauffler (World Federalists) in Thun, Switzerland

**October 2003 –** Rudolf Schneider attended events organised by the Folk University of the Russian AWE Chapter in Moscow, including a seminar for youth, "Living Values of Youth"; meeting with Russian scientists on "Spreading Vernadsky's Ideas in the West"; meeting with representatives of the movement "Our Home is the Planet Earth"

**2-5 November 2003 –** Conference "Planet 3000 – A View from Siberia", Novosibirsk, Russia, organized by The Siberian Center for Euro-Asian projects (Novosibirsk), The International Academy of Family "Radoma" (Moscow), the Institute for Planetary Synthesis (Geneva), the International Youth Movement "We are Euro-Asian children" (Kazakhstan), the International Foundation "Gene–3000", the Irkutsk Pedagogical League, the Movement of Peoples' Diplomacy (Minsk, Byelorussia). Rudolf Schneider from the IPS Geneva attended the conference.

**20 April to 19 May 2004 –** Trip to South America. Rudolf Schneider traveled to Brazil and Bolivia to take part in the Conclave of the World Service Intergroup in Brasilia and to meet various groups in Ilhéus (Bahia, Brazil), Cochabamba and La Paz (Bolivia).

23 May 2004 – Seminar on the Taitiriya Upanishad with Dr. E. Anantakrishna, Geneva

**26 May to 14 June 2004 –** Trip to the Ukraine. The Ankh Foundation invited Rudolf Schneider to participate in the 4<sup>th</sup> international conference "On the threshold of the new world: current models of education and health care" in Kiev. In the evening meetings were held on the problems of humanity, the New Group of World Servers, and information was shared on the NGO Committee on Spirituality, Values and Global Concerns. Members of groups from several Ukrainian cities then participated in a camp on the Crimean mountains, where they meditated, shared ideas on planetary synthesis and the ten seed-groups, and went hiking together. Rudolf was then invited to various cities: Zaporozhie, Kherson, Odessa. In each city there were meetings with local authorities, teachers, and interviews on local television and radio.

**26-27 June 2004** – International Youth Festival "Dialogue of Cultures", Valdai, Novgorod Region. Organised by the Russian Chapter of Association of World Education (Moscow), Association of Foreign Students in Moscow, Institute for Planetary Synthesis/Geneva, University of Family Relations (Valdai).

## PARTICIPATION IN NGO COMMITTEES AT THE UN

8 May 2002 – Reflections and evaluations of recent UN meetings, organised by the Special NGO Committee on Development

**24 August – 4 September 2002 –** Events during the World Summit for Sustainable Development: A Sacred Site was created at the Ubuntu Village in Johannesburg by the organisers of the NGO Forum and Tribal Link Foundation.

14-20 July 2002 - World Civil Society Forum, Geneva

**26 March, 2 April 2003 –** Briefings of CONGO (Conference of NGOs with Consultative Status at the UN) for NGO delegates participating in the Commission on Human Rights

**26 March 2003 –** Roundtable on racism organised by the CONGO sub-committee of NGOs against racism and discrimination (Geneva)

28 March 2003 - meeting of NGO Caucus on Healing

7 February – meeting of Interfaith NGO Committee

22 May 2003 – seminar on primary health care organized by the NGO Forum on Health and Values

**5-12 December 2003 –** Annual Conference of the Conference of Non-Governmental Organisations in consultative relationship with the United Nations, Geneva, Switzerland

**29 January 2004 –** meeting on "The Spiritual Dimension of Health", organised by the NGO Forum on Health

**26 February 2004** – talk on "Scaling up HIV Testing and Counselling for a Global Response to HIV/AIDS" with Dr. David Miller, organised by the NGO Forum on Health

**14 April 2004** – Panel of the Special Committee of NGOs on Human Rights and the International Council of Jewish Women on "Education for the sake of peace" by Ms Adina Shapiro (Israel) and Dr. Ghassan Abdullah (Palestine), co-directors of the Middle East Children's Association.

**15 April 2004 –** general briefing for NGOs on "Regional Developments – Beijing +10" organised by the CONGO in Geneva

**26-27 August 2004 –** CONGO Annual General Assembly Board of CONGO (Confederation of non-governmental organisation with consultative status at the United Nations)

**22 September 2004 –** Second gathering for human rights, with speeches by public figures on education and human rights, globalisation and the role of NGOs

**30** September, 2 December 2004 – meetings of the NGO Forum for Health. On 30 September, presentation by Davinia Ovett on the impact of trade agreements on (the access to) health. On 2 December, presentation by Judith Richter of a report on "Public-private partnerships (PPP) and international health policy-making: how can public interests be safeguarded?"

**11 January 2005 –** Meeting of the Committee on Ageing, Geneva

**27** January 2005 – "The 10/90 Gap in Health Research and the Millennium Development" talks organised by NGO Forum on health, Geneva

1 February 2005 – meeting of the NGO Committee on Aging on future activities, Geneva

**24 February 2005 –** Presentation on "The Committee on the Right of the Child – The Role of NGO's", organised by the NGO-Forum on Health, Geneva

**15 March 2005 –** Briefing with UNECE representative Nikolai Botev on Aging, organised by the NGO Committee on Aging, Geneva

16 March 2005 - NGO Working group on Health and Human Rights, Geneva

**31 March 2005 –** Talk organised by the NGO Forum on Health on "Guidelines: Health Issues in Emergency Situations"

**4 April 2005 –** Talk on "What to do about the Commission on Human Rights?", organised by the NGO-UN Watch **5 April 2005 –** CONGO Panel on "Millennium+5, the MDG's and Human Rights", UN, Geneva

**7 April 2005 –** CONGO Pariel on Millermulti+5, the MDG's and Human Rights , on, Geneva **7 April 2005 –** CONGO Briefing on proposals for change of the CHR structure, UN, Geneva

**21 April 2005 –** CONGO final de-briefing for NGO's on the CHR, Geneva

**28 April 2005 –** NGO-Forum on Health, on "The Migration of Health Professionals", a presentation by Dr. Mireille Kingman, Geneva

13 May 2005 - CONGO workshop on "The Millennium+5 Review process and Summit", Geneva

#### Committee on Spirituality, Values, and Global Concerns

**17 May 2002 –** "The Spiritual Dimension in Health"

**17 July 2002 –** Panel on "Religion, Spirituality and the Environment - A Key Component for Johannesburg (WSSD)?" during the World Civil Society Forum, Geneva. Rudolf Schneider was one of the panellists.

**18 July 2002 –** Panel on "Intergenerational Cooperation: Vital Backbone for Our Future" during the World Civil Society Forum

**11 September 2002 –** Seminar on "Self-realisation as a challenge to expand inner peace to humanity"

**20 September 2002 –** Peace Bell Ringing Ceremony in honour of International Day of Peace, at the United Nations Peace Bell

**26 September 2002 –** Private meeting with Sri Sri Ravi Shankar, founder of the International Art of Living Foundation and the International Association for Human Values

**1 November 2002 –** Peace Candle Ceremony on Place des Nations, Geneva

**19 November 2002 –** Lecture and ceremony organised in honour of the departure of Alfredo Sfeir-Younis, special advisor of the Committee, on "Spirituality and Global Public Policy: A New Path for Globalisation"

**21 November and 4 December 2002 –** Meetings to elect the Office of the CSVGC and to discuss its mission statement and program of activities.

**10** January, **4** February, **11** and **27** March 2003, and **29** April 2003 – meetings for exchanges of ideas and planning of activities; final drafting of the Mission Statement.

29 April, 4 June 2003 – meetings to discuss and plan the activities of the CSVGC

**11 September 2003 –** In the series of "Meetings with spiritual and religious leaders", conference on "Peace and Fear" with H.H the 12<sup>th</sup> Gyalwang Drukpa

21 and 22 September 2003 – Peace Bell Ringing Ceremony in honour of International Day of Peace and in loving memory of all those that gave their lives for peace

**7 December 2003 –** On the eve of the World Summit on the Information Society, talk on "Conscious Communication" with Dr. Sat-Kaur Khalsa, psychologist.

<u>3 September and 11 November 2003 – Meetings to discuss and plan the activities of the CSVGC</u>

15 January 2004 – Meetings to discuss and plan the activities of the CSVGC

20 January 2005 - meeting of the Board

17 February 2005 – meeting to draft the Geneva Global Concern Manifesto

10 and 14 March 2005 - meeting in preparation for the Annual General Assembly

**14 April 2005 –** panel on "Demilitarized States in the World: A Standard for the Right to Development with Peace and Security?", UN, Geneva

#### NGO Committee on Freedom of Religion and Belief

18 June, 27 September, 10 October and 18 November 2002, 29 January, 5 and 24 March, 22 September, 2 December 2003 – Discussion of current activities

**27 September 2004 –** meeting of the NGO Committee on Freedom of Religion and Belief with Ms Asma Jahangis, special rapporteur on freedom of belief and religion, Palais Wilson, Geneva

**31 January, 25 February 2005** – meeting on preparations for the next session of the Commission on Human Rights

7 April 2005 – presentation by Ms. Asma Jahangir, UN, Geneva

#### Committee on the Status of Women

7 October 2002 – Meeting with presentations by Mr. Alfredo Sfeir-Younis and by Ms. Marla Bustelo, Gender Focal Point on Gender Policy and Programme Strategies of the Office of the High Commissioner on Human Rights
3 December 2002 – Task force: "Jumping the Fence - the Missing Link". Guest speaker: BK Jayanti Kirpalani, Persing Control Con

Regional Coordinating Officer of the Brahma Kumaris World Spiritual University in Europe, and representative at the UN

3 February 2003 - meeting

6 May 2003 - Talk with Ms. Valentine Rugwabira, Ambassador of Rwanda, on "Reconciliation: the Road to Peace", organised by the group "Jumping the Fence" of the Committee on the Status of Women

10 September 2003 – Discussion/reflection on "Peace-Building Initiatives. Culture of Peace"

### CONFERENCES AND GROUP ACTIVITIES ATTENDED BY IPS REPRESENTATIVES

16 May 2002 - Conference-debate with Mr. Sergei Ordzhonikidze, new Director-General of UNOG, organised by the Forum Suisse de Politique Internationale

25 May 2002 – 25<sup>th</sup> General Assembly of Anthrosana, Rheinau, Switzerland

6-9 June 2002 - Conference: Seeds of Wholeness, Science, Systems, Spirit, Graveland, the Netherlands, initiated by the Center for Environmental Consciousnes (Stichting Milieubewustzijn).

29 June 2002 - Annual General Assembly of Alcor Institute, Geneva

30 June 2002 - GDV International; workshop on Kirlian photography with Roberto Boschi, Lucern

1-14 July 2002 - Festival on National University of Civil Culture, Ulyanovsk, Russia, organised by the International Association of Education "Education for Life"

8 July 2002 - Seminar on "Could World Poverty Ever Be Eliminated? New Instruments, New Strategies" organised by the World Bank Group Office in Geneva with Mr. John Page, Director of the Poverty Reduction Group of the World Bank

4 August 2002 - Talk followed by an exchange of ideas on "Individual Cooperation and Responsibility for the Plan" between Rudolf Schneider, of the IPS Geneva, and the Chiemsee-Insel-Kreis (Chiem Lake Island Group) in Bavaria, Germany

August 2002 - Sixth Annual Festival in Odessa, Ukraine

11 September 2002 – Prayers for Humanity: Geneva Spiritual Appeal, St Pierre Cathedral, Geneva. 24 September 2002 – Information Session of the World Federation of United Nations Associations on the report "We the Peoples: A Call to Action for the UN Millennium Declaration"

4 October 2002 - Gathering in honour of Dadi Janki, Co-Administrative Head of the Brahma Kumaris Spiritual University, who spoke on "Spirituality in Working Life"

8 - 11 October 2002 - Conference on "Youth and Human Values - an inter-generational dialogue", organised by the International Society for Human Values

10 November 2002 - meeting of Sponsoring Committee of Alcor Institute.

22 November 2002 - Seminar on "Switzerland in the United Nations", University of Bern, Switzerland. Organised by the Swiss Association for Foreign Affairs, Forum Suisse de Politique Internationale and Swiss Association for Wilton Park.

25 November 2002 - GCSP/HEI workshop of the Geneva Centre for Security Policy (GCSP and Graduate Institute of International Studies on the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the launching of the CSCE Process (Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe).

2 December 2002 - Talk on "The Johannesburg Summit and its results for the future", by Gordon Sheperd, Director International Policy, World Wildlife Foundation International, Geneva.

8 December 2002 - annual Christmas party of the Geneva Brahma Kumaris Meditation Centre

12 December 2002 - Invitation to participate in the official welcome of Ms. Micheline Calmy-Rey, new Federal Counsellor of Switzerland.

23 January 2003 - talk on "Indian foreign policy: challenges and prospects", with H.E. Mr. Kanval Sibal, Foreign Secretary of India, organised by the Swiss Forum of International Affairs

27 January 2003 - talk on "The peaceful resolution of conflicts after September 11", with Mr. Boutros Boutros-Ghali, organised by the Swiss Forum of International Affairs

21 February 2003 - Geneva, Brahma Kumaris University: Inner stability in a world of upheaval, talk followed by exchange of ideas and experiences.

24 March 2003 - Geneva: World Bank seminar on globalisation and the fight for decent work, with Mr. Zafiris Trannatos

24 March 2003 - roundtable on "The ideas of Henry Dunant, as embodied in the International Committee of the Red Cross and humanitarian law - are they still relevant today?", organised by the Swiss Forum of International Affairs

25 March - meeting of World Resisters International to support Israeli conscientious objectors and to call on Israel to recognize the right to conscientious objection.

2-6 April 2003 – Arizona, USA: 17<sup>th</sup> Annual International Conference of the University of the Seven Rays

12 April 2003 - Odessa, Ukraine: International Congress "Genofund 3000"

29 April 2003 - Geneva: Talk on "Peace and disarmament in West Africa: what future for regional security?" with Anatole Avissi, organised by the "Réseau Universitaire des Étudiants Africains"

2 May 2003 - Conference "Between Heaven and Earth" by Toni Rüttimman

16 May, 7 July and 28 August 2003 - "Exchange on Development", series of seminars of the World Bank Group in Geneva

6-16 June 2003 - Conclave of the World Service Intergroup in Findhorn, Scotland

21 June 2003 - International Forum "From confrontation to dialogue of cultures and civilisations", Brest, Belarus 4-6 July 2003 - "The Inner Voyage", a series of conferences and workshops with Shailen Popat, lawyer and teacher of Raja Yoga meditation at the Brahma Kumaris World Spiritual University

6-8 September 2003 – International Festival "Call of Polesie", National Park Pripiatski, Belarus

**10-15 September 2003** – Yoga Living in Mürren, Switzerland

21 September 2003 – Evening meditation and meeting at the Geneva Centre of Brahma Kumaris University.

**10-12 October 2003 –** Second Seminar "Enlightenment and Education", Moscow, Russia, organised by the Committee on Ecology of State Duma, the Russian AWE Chapter; State Geological Museum on behalf of Vernadsky Museum; and the Association of Foreign Students in Moscow.

**19 November 2003 –** Celebration of World Day for Prevention of Child Abuse, organised by the World Women Summit foundation, Geneva

**6 December 2003 –** Meeting on "Our Health is Our Business – Learning to Disobey", Maison des Associations, Geneva, Switzerland

**20 January 2004 –** "Switzerland after the federal elections; the world after the war in Iraq", talk with Cornelio Sommaruga, President of Caux – International Association of Initiatives of Change

**30 January 2004 –** Debate on "Human Rights and women's role", chaired by Bertrand Ramcharan, Acting High Commissionner of the United Nations on Human Rights, as part of the Geneva Colloquium on "The Dialogue of cultures and its contribution to peace", organised by the *Centre européen de la culture* 

4 February 2004 – foundation of the association "Wisdom at Work", Geneva

**5 March 2004 –** Meeting of INWO (International Association for a Natural Economic Order) in Geneva

**20 March 2004 –** Conference on "What Future for Our World" with Heide Groll, in Musièges, France, organised by Partage International

**3-4 April 2004 –** Mind-AtOMix-Winwin Seminar, Lucern, Switzerland, facilitated by Dr. R. Matheis and organised by the Foundation Unity of all life

**1-6 May 2004 –** Conclave of the World Service Intergroup, Brasilia, Brazil, on the purpose of "generating a focused, conscious and deliberate intergroup effort to specifically assist the Externalisation of the Hierarchy and the Reappearance of the Christ"

26 June 2004 – Annual General Assembly of Alcor Institute

**6 February 2004 –** "The Realities of the PRSP Process: The Experience of Four Countries". Seminar by the World Bank in Geneva

**6 July, 30 August, 2 October, 22 November 2004 –** Meetings with INWO (International Association for a Natural Economic Order), Bern, Switzerland

**11 July, 12 December 2004 –** Brunches with Wisdom at Work, Geneva. On 11 July, group discussion on "We the peoples' in the UN system: participation in practice?" On 12 December, presentation on "Hyperpower and the UN: the challenges of neo-conservatism"

**13 September 2004 –** Celebration of the 75th Anniversary of the Federation of international non-governmental organizations based in Geneva

**16-30 July 2004 –** Trip to Siberia, participation in 7<sup>th</sup> Forum "Call of Baikal – a World Without Borders"

**2 October 2004 –** Group discussion on the theme "ways towards economic and cultural progress – a human economy", Effretikon, Switzerland. Organised by IAWG (International Circle on Economy and Society)

**13 October 2004 –** Meeting of the Swiss Association for a Social Land Law (Association Suisse pour un droit social du sol, Verein für ein soziales Bodenrecht), Geneva.

**21-27 October 2004** – International Conference "Democracy in the Educational Process", Moscow, third stage of the project "Folk University as a Means of Popular Education", with a seminar for coordinators of Local Learning Centres of the Russian Chapter of the Association for World Education, a youth seminar and a set of round-tables.

6 November 2004 – Meeting of IG-Boden, Bern to dissolve this association dedicated to the study of land conservation

17 November 2004 – Memorial Service for President Yasser Arafat, Ecumenical Centre, Geneva

**13 December 2004 –** Talk by Swami Agnivesh on "Religious extremism, inter-religious advocacy". Organisers: International Council on Human Rights Policy, Graduate Institute for International Studies, World Council of Churches and Geneva Centre for Security Policy

**7 October 2004 –** World Bank, presentation of the "World Development Report 2005 – a better investment climate for everyone"

**17 January 2005 –** Presentation by Prof. Hu Angang in the UNI Mail Geneva on "Why does China's Economy grow so fast?"

25 January 2005 – Presentation by Valeriane Bernard Brahma Kumaris Centre Geneva on Happiness

**16 February 2005 –** Land Law and Free Money, ADSS Geneva, in association with INWO

**27 February 2005 –** Humanitarianism and the tsunami: what does it mean to serve in the international community? Wisdom at Work – Sunday Brunch Geneva

2 March 2005 – Appeal to the reform of education systems, Club Suisse de la Presse, Geneva

**19 March 2005** – Peter Koenig, author of "Thirty Lies About Money", and Barbara Kunz, who runs the Orchidea Lodge seminar hotel in Reigoldswil invited a small group of old and new friends to meet and share ideas on "Our Common Vision for the Next 15 Years".

22-27 March 2005 - Tenth annual meditation conclave of the World Service Intergroup, New York, USA

**19 April 2005 –** "20 Paroles de Paix de L'abbé Pierre" Club Suisse de la Presse, La Pastorale Geneva **1 May 2005 –** Information meeting on a proposal to create a SPIRITUAL FORUM for World Peace at the United

Nations. Hotel Beau Rivage Geneva

**2 May 2005 –** Talk organized by Wisdom at Work on "Tools for translating collective hope into positive future", Geneva

**14-15 May 2005 –** Arcane School Conference Geneva on the keynote: "Let the group understand the Law of Synthesis, of Unity and Fusion"

# **PARTICIPATION IN UN EVENTS**

**25 July 2002 –** Celebration of the international day of the world's indigenous peoples, Palais des Nations, Geneva **24 August – 4 September 2002 –** World Summit on Sustainable Development, Johannesburg, South Africa

**9 September 2002 –** Live videoconference of the opening session of the 55<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of Non-Governmental Organisations entitled "Rebuilding Societies Emerging from Conflict: a Shared Responsibility"

**1 April 2003 –** briefing organized by the Department of Public Information of the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights

April 2003 – Participation in the annual session of the Commission on Human Rights

**3 April 2003 –** presentation by Ms. Hanifa Mezoui, Chief, NGO Section/DESA in New York, of the NGO Section ECOSOC Outreach Programme UN NGO IRENE (Informal Regional Networks)

**17 October 2003 –** On the occasion of the International Day for the Eradication of Poverty, panel discussion organised by the Information Service of the United Nations Office at Geneva

24 October 2003 – Unveiling of Memorial in honour of United Nations staff who have given their lives in the service of peace, Geneva

**1 December 2003 –** Commemoration of the International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People, organised by the Information Service of the United Nations Office at Geneva

**15 December 2003 –** Introduction and update by Mr. Cardoso, former Brazilian president, on the work of the High-Level Panel of Eminent Persons on UN-Civil Society Relations.

**10-12 December 2003 –** WORLD SUMMIT ON THE INFORMATION SOCIETY, Geneva phase. The first phase of WSIS addressed the broad range of themes concerning the Information Society and adopted a Declaration of Principles and Plan of Action.

**30 March 2004 –** On the occasion of the 60<sup>th</sup> session of the Commission on Human Rights, the Information Service of the United Nations Office in Geneva held briefings by Ms. Yakin Ertürk, special rapporteur on violence against women, by Ms Gabriela Rodriguez Pizzaro, special rapporteur on the human rights of migrants, and by Mr. Rodolfo Stavenhagen, special rapporteur on the situation of human rights and fundamental freedoms of indigenous people.

**19** August 2004 – Observance of the First Anniversary of the Baghdad Tragedy at the United Nations Office in Geneva, with speeches by Louise Arbour, High Commissioner for Human Rights, Micheline Calmy-Rey, Federal Counsellor for Foreign Affairs of the Swiss Confederation, Kofi Annan, U.N. Secretary General, and a performance by Gilberto Gil, Brazilian composer, singer and Culture Minister. In the evening, Peace Concert by Gilberto Gil and performance "Dialogue among Civilisations", interpreted by capoeira dancers from Latin America, Asia, Africa and Europe.

**29 November 2004 –** Celebration of the International day of solidarity with the Palestinian People at the United Nations Office in Geneva

# **GROUP MEDITATIONS**

#### FULL MOON MEDITATIONS

Regular participation in the full moon meditations held by the Arcane School group in Geneva. Aries full moon meditation (2002) with the World Service Intergroup, New York

24 October 2003 – Unveiling of Memorial in honour of United Nations staff who have given their lives in the service of peace

Leo Full Moon meditation with group in Windhoek, Namibia

Taurus Full Moon meditation (Wesak Festival 2002) with the World Service Intergroup in Darjeeling, India

Gemini Full Moon meditation (World Invocation Day 2002) with Ankh Foundation in Kiev, Ukraine

Aries full moon meditation (2002) with the World Service Intergroup in Tokyo

Group meditation on the reappearance of the Christ and Cancer Full Moon meditation (2003) with the World Goodwill and Triangles Unit of Service in Rio de Janeiro

July 2003 – morning and evening meditations in the pyramid of Fazenda Vida, Una, Bahia, Brazil, on various keynotes

Gemini Full Moon meditation (World Invocation Day 2003) with the World Service Intergroup in Findhorn, Scotland Taurus Full Moon meditation (Wesak Festival 2004) with the World Service Intergroup, Brasilia, Brazil

Gemini Full Moon meditation (2004) with the Ankh Foundation, Kiev, Ukraine

Aries Full moon meditation, exact time with World Service Intergroup, N Y, March 25, 2005

Taurus Full moon meditation with Arcane School group in Geneva, 23 April 2005

Regular participation in the weekly Peace Meditation Group of the United Nations Staff in Geneva. Every few months, Rudolf Schneider is invited to guide the meditation.

**29** January 2003, Inter-religious meeting for peace: "*Pacem in Terris*: a Permanent Commitment", at the Church of Saint-Nicolas-de-Flüe, Geneva, Switzerland.

20 March 2003, Prayer for Peace at the Ecumenical Centre in Geneva

**1 March 2003, Circle of Compassion,** silent meditation for peace organised by the Women's World Summit Foundation once a month at the Hotel Beau Rivage, Geneva

## ACTIVITIES OF IPS DEPARTMENT IN RUSSIA FROM 1999-2002

- 1. Arrangement the annual international conference "Education to World Citizenship".
- 2. Translation of the articles for the IPS newsletter.
- 3. Consultation and checking the Russian version of IPS newsletter.

4. Participation in the conferences on behalf of the IPS. Arrangement of Rudolf's meetings in Novosibirsk, Kiev (Ukraine), Minsk (Belarus), Moscow, S.-Petersburg and Zhukovsky (Moscow region).

5. Preparing the translation of the booklets: "Sciences", "New Group of World Servers", "Nations and Their Role in New Age".

6. Preparing Glossary for the books of AAB and the Master DK.

- 7. Assistance in reading letters and their translation from Russian into English.
- 8. Assistance in preparing Russian web site.

9. Participation in the conference "Seeds of Wholeness" in the Netherlands in June 2002.

## NEW IPS CONTACTS AND BRANCHES

New contacts in the Ivory Coast – Marius Sakia, Ecole de la Providence Divine; Togo – Nawiékou Baba Djabakatie, Groupe Melchisedek; the Ukraine – Victor Subotinov and Zulya Mingajeva; and Belarus – Nikolai Pantchishin.

## PLANNED FOR the 24<sup>th</sup>-28th years of activity (2005-2008)

- To continue the regular IPS activities, as until now: participation in conferences and seminars, giving upon invitation seminars and talks on 10 seed-groups, publication of newsletters with enclosed esoteric studies, networking.
- To catalogue on computer our archives on group activities throughout the world according to the 10 seed-group structure. This step is part of our effort to create a "Documentation Center on the 10 seed-groups" at the Geneva headquarters.
- To continue to reprint our publications in German that have run out of print, and to prepare and publish our studies in other languages as well, possibly to make them available on line.
- To continue to expand and complete the IPS website in 5 languages: English, French, German, Spanish and Russian.
- To find dedicated co-workers for the Geneva headquarters: one administrative assistant and helpers for the Spanish and Russian sections.
- To continue to sponsor conferences in Russia and to distribute the Russian edition of the newsletter in Russia, the Ukraine, Belarus and other Russian-speaking countries. To expand the network in these countries, especially with the Interregional Association for Education (Moscow), the Ankh Foundation (Kiev).
- To expand the network in Latin America in cooperation with local groups, especially with the help of Marion Remus (Centro del Sol), Bolivia, Nilla Tadic de Ossio, in Cochabamba, Bolivia, Vida Vidmar, of the Fundação Vida à Mata Atlântica, Maria Cristina Amaral, Centro de Educação Integral, and Simone Ramounoulou, of the Willis Harman House, all three in Brazil.
- Move to a new house and office