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REPORT OF ACTIVITIES 2023-2024**

Group meditations

Full-moon meditations at the Lucis Trust in Geneva
Monthly online meditations on planetary synthesis, first Sunday of every month
Intergroupe meditation with Institut Alcor, Fraternités and Association école arc-en-ciel

IPS activities in Geneva and throughout the world

Meetings over the internet (skype, zoom, webinar) with groups and co-workers, mainly in Brazil France, USA. For example, study group on 10 seed-groups via Zoom with Brazilian friends and co-workers.

The monthly online meditation meetings on planetary synthesis have proven to be a fruitful opportunity of exchanges between members of different groups. A thought on synthesis is proposed for reflection during the month and sharing during the meeting, after the meditation. From time to time, the participants also share their group activities and projects. In January 2024, Elena Smirnova, founder and head of the online School of Psychology "Seven Rays" at the SunGates_Media University (USA, Chicago), presented her project on the "Formation of a Group Consciousness Field using the Great Invocation", a shortened version of the report "Is it possible to measure the effect of a large group of people concentrating on a single object?", read at II World Congress of Russian-Speaking Psychotherapists November 3-6, 2023, Moscow.

Triangle intergroup work with Institut Alcor, and group Fraternités since September 2016. Annual group meeting (November 2023). Since November 2022, the group Association École Arc-en-Ciel joined this intergroup work. Practice of group meditation as taught in "Discipleship in the New age", vol. 2, and bimonthly meetings online. Drafting of a paper on intergroup meditation and work.

Study group on telepathy and the seven rays, in cooperation with Foundation Einheit Allen Lebens, Lucern, Switzerland.

Continuing development of IPS website where many of the IPS publications can now be downloaded, in particular updated material on the 10 seed-groups in Portuguese.

The IPS, founded in Geneva in 1981, is an international, not-for-profit organisation dedicated to promoting constructive cooperation in all fields of human activity. It is a non-governmental organisation on the Roster of the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations.
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Group contacts and activities

Group cooperation with Lucis Trust: participation in annual conferences, full moon meditations, and World Goodwill seminars in Geneva.

Bi-monthly study group of “A Treatise on Cosmic Fire”, Institut Alcor, Clermont-Ferrand, France.

Study group on world service, Institut Alcor, Annecy, Geneva, Lausanne.

Maitreya Project Fund for the Preparation of the Reappearance of the Christ

We have favourably responded this year to three requests for financial help from two groups in Congo-Kinshasa and one in South America.

In September 2023, René Ntumba Tshenda, from IPS Congo, contacted us to request funding to build a group meeting room on a plot of land in Kinshasa, offered by one of the group members. The costs of building and furnishing amounted to CHF3'500. This request was granted.

In November 2023, Albert Mananga Masunda, also from IPS Congo, requested help to fund a series of conferences. The subjects of the conferences were:

- (a) At the University of Kinshasa: The New Group of World Servers, Planetary Synthesis, The seed-groups
- (b) At the IPS group meeting room: the same three subjects, plus “Direct Communion, the Yoga of Our Times”, based on the Agni Yoga teachings
- (c) At the “Sourire d’Enfant” school/orphanage: “Thoughts on the Condition of Women” (requested by the director of the school), “Education and Living Ethics”

The total cost amounted to CHF 2611, and included rent of the conference rooms, printing of cards with the Great Invocation and booklets with the text of the conferences for distribution at all three locations.

In December 2023, a group of goodwill individuals residing in different countries across Latin America requested help for funding a project on “Teaching the use of the Great Invocation through Social Networks”. We have been in touch with this group for some years already. Some of them are: Ivan Maldonado, Lucia Burgoa and Ana Gascon (La Paz Bolivia), Nila Tadic and Amable Serrano (Cochabamba Bolivia), Marcelo Tirado (Chile), María Teresa Viola, Elita Pegolo and Nilda Piero (Argentina), Sijam Ismael (Brazil), Francisco (Mexico), Freddy Garcia and Ernesto Forbes (Uruguay), Anabela Marques and Lucia Goncalves (Portugal) and María Jose (Spain).

For several decades, they have been working on spreading the Great Invocation throughout Latin America using traditional means such as printing cards of the Great Invocation and distributing them in bookstores, shops, restaurants, naturalist fairs, and book fairs, among others. They have also experimented with its dissemination through the internet and social networks, but so far, techniques and strategies based on digital marketing, which form the foundation of this project, have not been employed.

The project is aimed at becoming self-sustainable from the second year onwards. In the first year, it will be financially supported as follows: 50% from the economic contributions of The Great Invocation volunteer group, and the remaining 50% will be sought through financial support from a first-world group or organization. The project is projected to incur expenses of \$14,436 (American dollars) in its first year. We are seeking external funding equivalent to 50% of the total in the form of a donation. This is where the Maitreya Fund was approached, and after consultation with all IPS Board members, we accepted to finance 50% of the cost, i.e. \$7,218, transferred in three instalments to Ivan Maldonado's account in Uruguay, in December 2023 and January and February 2024.

IPS representation at the UN in New York and Nairobi 2023-2024
Planetary Synthesis and UN Member States in NY, Geneva, Nairobi, Paris
(Both background context and actual activities)

**(Planetary synthesizing work done in the context of the UN:
Description of the processes we follow and the outcomes)**

In order to break down silos and to work together as equals with as many civil society organizations as possible, the IPS helped to found the Commons Cluster, as reported previously, to channel grassroots initiatives in the area of sustainable development to the UN and its Member States, Such a structure is reminiscent of that of an organism whereby the cells and nervous system of an organism give input to the "brain/mind" and in turn receive direction to enable these to work closely together. It also operates according to the law of kindness: ***Do as thou wouldst be done by.*** Such organic structures – called commons when they function in human societies, whereby the parts give input to the whole and the whole gives input to the parts for the well-being of all – have proved stable since the first atom came into being. But applying planetary synthesis is an ongoing learning process and only time can tell whether we have found our way successfully.

In the past year, the Commons Cluster has undertaken two types of activities:

1. In 2010 we had already been asked to join the UN NGO Major group. In the past year, we also started working within that group with the Unity Cluster which was created by one of our members to work exclusively with ECOSOC accredited NGOs.
In these contexts, we give input to UN documents and conferences, both with the NGO and Major Groups and other Stakeholders, as well as in our own capacity to among others 2 Ministerial Declarations, the SDGs Summit and to two versions of the Zero Pact for the Future in 2024.
These two documents formed the basis for many of the statements made during the 10-day conference by these two groups which unlike other NGOs and clusters, were able to take the floor in each of the sessions.
2. In preparation for relevant UN conferences, the Commons Cluster has gathered input from the grassroots and created documents to show how the grassroots working with Member States can help the UN achieve its various goals, including the "flourishing of all people, Nature and animals in an interconnected system". These are major undertakings even though in the past year we received just 140 pages of input on average (instead of the at times 200 pages). This has then to be reduced to 20-25 pages. And the last document we whittled down to just 4 pages. At the same time, a step-by-step story line must be worked out to show how the grassroots initiatives mentioned contribute to the building of a global community. In

a number of cases, we have then had the good fortune to find translators into the 6 official languages of the UN before sending them out to all UN and UNESCO Ambassadors in NY, Geneva, Nairobi and Paris respectively and all UNESCO National Commissions; as well as to all of our contacts at the grassroots.

The most recent document prepared for the Conference on Social Development was just a 3-page distillation:

Integrating the Laws and Qualities of Nature to Implement the 2030 Agenda (prepared for the HLPF 2023):

https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1c_tnTchdAoyoZaJY-iXh-HIBfqDVPcWU?usp=share_link

Building Unity as a Prerequisite for Achieving the SDGs:

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1uCKvx5UWAwV2SMAw4rMJbX06K7HbAtQw>

Unity as a Transformative Pathway to Achieving Sustainable Development, Using Three Fundamental Critical Entry Points: Nature, Society, and the Economy (Just 3 pages)

Since this report is being written at the beginning of March 2024 in preparation for our meeting in May, here is an outline of the work being prepared until September 2024 for the Summit of the Future and the Pact for the Future, the planned outcome.

In September 2021, ***Our Commons Agenda*** (OCA) by the UN Secretary General appeared, outlining the work of the whole UN. He suggested holding an SDGs Summit and a Summit for the Future which would have as outcome a Pact for the Future. We did prepare a document for the SDG Summit but, apart from a few specially invited guests, civil society was not allowed to attend. Since this Summit all UN conferences started to prepare to give input to the Pact for the Future. And the UN is taking great pains to ensure that all can give input. The first version of this document was generally seen to be backward looking instead of a Pact capable of inspiring the future generations which would be the ones to implement it. The IPS/Commons Cluster has set up a document for each of those upcoming conferences to gather input for documents and activities that we might want to carry out in these contexts. The first one this year was the Conference on Social Development, which Lisinka attended in the name of the IPS. The Commons Cluster is registering people in the name of various organizations so as to be able to give maximum input. Lisinka made two statements during the conference on Social Development. We (rather hurriedly) submitted three oral statements to present online for the CSW (The Women's conference.) These were not accepted. We did not have enough time to develop a strong side event on behalf of the Commons Cluster, but members on their own accord will be giving side events, which many of us will be attending.

Conferences we are preparing to give input in March and April are: The Financing for Development Forum, the Civil Society Forum, the High-Level Political Forum and the Summit for the Future.

In terms of our values

1. The wellbeing of all people and Nature as a whole. We work with spiritual principles without naming these since the UN is a secular organization.
2. Each person can develop his/her own potential through their work with us. Here we provide references and titles that can help them on their way. This has the

advantage that people give their best; it has the drawback that we work with a turnover of co-workers and little guarantee that these will be there to carry out the work that in most cases we have to plan well ahead of time.

Future perspectives

Besides continuing our activities as until now, we invite all friends and co-workers to share during the General Assembly how they see their future participation in the work of the Institute. Your proposal and suggestions are unvaluable for our work.

Our future perspectives include: continuing the work on the commons and communication with nature; and continuing our cooperation with Master E.K. Spiritual and Service Mission (India), Institut Alcor (Switzerland and France), Stiftung Einheit Allen Lebens (Switzerland), World Goodwill units of service in Natal, Rio, Brasilia, the 2025 Initiative, spiritual groups in the Ukraine and Russia.