



What sort
of world
are we leaving
for our children?



What form
of economics
supports social
and ecologic
sustainability?



What forms
of living together
prevent violence?



Center of Unity Schweibenalp

The GREEN PHOENIX CONGRESS begins on Wednesday, 25th September with the Opening Evening and ends on Sunday afternoon, 29th September.

ACCOMMODATION AND MEALS (FULL BOARD)

per night: double room CHF 88.-, multiple bedroom CHF 80.-, dormitory CHF 70.- (young adults until 30 years old receive 50% discount in multiple bedroom or dormitory)

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MODELS FOR RADICAL ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL SOLUTIONS GREENPHOENIX CONGRESS

25 – 29 SEPTEMBER 2013

CENTER OF UNITY SCHWEIBENALP, SWITZERLAND



THE FOURTH GREENPHOENIX CONGRESS

brings together representatives of experiments for the future, communities and experts from four main areas:

economy, **living together**,
consciousness and **ecology**.

This year they take up the challenge to answer the questions posed by the current protesting generation. The main directions of the work are economy and community building. GREEN PHOENIX is looking for "radical solutions" - in the sense of: getting to the roots. The other two areas of Consciousness and Ecology will continue to be present, this time integrated in practical working groups.

THE METHOD OF THE CONGRESS

Plenum, working groups, Open Space, Forum, artistic contributions and various chances for a deeper exchange, music, dance, celebration and meditation.

CONGRESS FEES

Since one of our main areas this year is radical economy the GREEN PHOENIX team has decided to embark on a radical experiment of gift economy. Although we need the fees for the financing of the Congress we are leaving the specific amount free. Each participant decides for himself/herself how much they can pay or how much is the value of the experience worth. Around this gift we shall build a common ceremony in the Congress.

Young people all over the world are protesting for the end of the system of destruction and social injustice. What sort of system should then begin?

ECONOMY

A pivotal point in the globalisation of violence is the existing financial system. Money is today an instrument of internationally-organised destruction and exploitation. We have invited experts in the following topics: common welfare economy, gift economy, regional currencies, exchange circles and other forms of a just, solidary, nature preserving economy.

Could we build just and sustainable economic systems that may overcome the imminent disintegration of the money system? What roles do communities and experiments for the future play? What kind of models exist to invest money away from cycles of destruction into peace projects?

LIVING TOGETHER

In many parts of the world is the solidarity of tribes, big families and local communities disintegrated or disintegrating. Violence against women, children and socially weak is an intolerable symptom of this social neglect. In light of this crisis worldwide arise new communities for the future. We have invited representatives from communities and movements in order to speak from their experience.

What do social systems that prevent violence (both direct, open violence as well as invisible, structural, psychological violence) look like? What living models lead to understanding among genders and a new cooperation between generations?

Presentations by:

Ursa Paul, Founder Heilhaus Kassel, Germany
Sabine Lichtenfels, Heilungsbiotop Tamera, Portugal
Vera Kleinhammes, Heilungsbiotop Tamera, Portugal
Christian Felber, Common Welfare Economy, Austria
Bernd Winkelmann, Priest, Manager of the Solidary Economy Academy, Germany
Gal Harmat, Gender and Peacebuilding Specialist, Israel
Lua Bashala Kekana, «Mama na Bana», Congo
Ethan Tauber-Hirsch, Global Ecovillage Network, USA
Matti Straub, Founder «KaosPiloten» School, Switzerland
Christoph Pfluger, Editor «Zeitpunkt», Switzerland
and others

18 SEPT – 2 OCT

PEACE JOURNALISM AND DOCUMENTATION WORKSHOP

A two-week workshop for youth aged 16 - 26 shall begin one week before the GREEN PHOENIX CONGRESS. The participants shall be preparing to facilitate during the Congress and present the challenge of the current world situation. They shall be learning with the help of professional journalists to document the whole Congress using various media - the written word, image, radio and film.