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**3rd WSF World Spirit Forum brings leading thinkers to Arosa.
Collaboration in Consciousness.**

For the third consecutive year the WSF World Spirit Forum and dignitaries from the fields of economics, science, religion, culture and society invite participants to the World Congress to be held in Arosa from January 22nd thru 25th. The aim of the WSF Forum 2006 is to create the groundwork for the founding of a World Parliament of Spirituality. For the first time a meeting of the World Wisdom Council will take place with the WSF.

Zurich, December 30th 2005 – The 3rd WSF World Spirit Forum will take place in Arosa from January 22nd thru 25th 2006. In keeping with this years' motto "Collaboration in Consciousness" the **World Wisdom Council** initiated by the **Club of Budapest** together with leaders from the **World Spirit Youth Council** and delegates from spiritually oriented non-profit organizations as well as individuals from the fields of economics and society shall convene in an inspirational exchange on the founding of the **World Parliament of Spirituality**.

The open and egalitarian approach of the WSF World Spirit Forum is evidenced by the composition of the 4 participating groups. During 4 days visionary delegates from the young generation and world-renowned and experienced elders shall commence work for the establishment of a futuristic model based on ethical consciousness. **Ervin Laszlo**, renowned futurologist and founder of the Club of Budapest is among the prominent members of the elder generation. He is well known as a respected representative of systematic philosophy and the general theory on evolution. **Jane Goodall**, the legendary primate researcher and ambassador of peace for the United Nations is also among the guest speakers and will participate at the Round Tables. The founder of the Ella Baker Center for Human Rights (EBC) and Global Leader for Tomorrow in 2002, **Van Jones**, is scheduled to participate at the WEF (World Economic Forum) in Davos following his presence at the WSF. Jones is a devoted opposition leader against the abuse of Human Rights.

As in the last years, **Franz Josef Radermacher**, member of the Club of Rome, shall again join the list of prominent speakers and take part in the high carat discussion groups. It is his declared goal to overcome hunger in the world with his "Global Marshall Plan". The participating Non-Profit



Organizations such as the **Goi Peace Foundation** from Japan shall benefit from the exchange of ideas and practical concepts during the WSF Forum and the resulting synergies.

Jacqueline Furtado, 19 year old student from Sydney, Australia and co-organizer of the World Spirit Youth Council writes in her profile on the internet pages of the WSF World Spirit Forum: "One thing I have learned is that political freedom cannot be achieved without or separated from spiritual freedom and that freedom begins with each individual". A basic prerequisite for this individual freedom which finally evolves into universal freedom is no doubt the consciousness and awareness stemming from the 3rd WSF World Spirit Forum 2006.

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The following contains some background information:

WSF World Spirit Forum

The annual World Congress WSF World Spirit Forum is a neutral platform for visions, projects and concrete solutions for a healthy overall system for our planet earth and the universe. Thereby, WSF is committed to consciousness, holistic and sustainability. Visionaries and pragmatists from the fields of sociology, economics, politics, science and religion are active in a growing cooperative and integral network.

Venue

The WSF shall take place for the 2nd time from January 22nd thru 25th 2006 in Arosa, Switzerland and for the 1st time in the Tschuggen Grand Hotel: www.tschuggen.ch.



Why Arosa?

A place of reflection and consciousness. Switzerland has a long tradition of humanitarian help and neutrality and offers a chance to eliminate polarization – a challenge to go in new directions. Its proximity to Davos has symbolic character. It is an ongoing aim of the WSF to enrich the WEF World Economic Forum (and other forums) with elements of consciousness, sustainability and a sense of total responsibility. And nonetheless: Arosa is just a beautiful place! www.arosa.ch.

Motto of the Forum:

Collaboration in Consciousness

Definition of Consciousness:

“Consciousness is a process of expanding personal and universal awareness and allows people to understand multiple layers of relationship within themselves, to others and in the natural world” (excerpt from „Conscious Education“, Dagaz Press, Vermont USA. The co-author of this book, Nina Lynn Meyerhof, Ed.D. is vice president of the WSF World Spirit Forum)

Philosophy

Consciousness and the activation of the creative energy embedded in each human being in going in new directions has become an essential instrument of survival. Not only for Philosophies and Religions but increasingly also for organizations, institutions and the general public. The WSF World Spirit Forum is committed to consciousness, holistic and sustainability.

Participants

The WSF World Spirit Forum offers a platform for encounters between theoreticians and practitioners for the exchange of visions and experiences in planning and implementation of projects and programs. There are 4 groups of participants:

- Members of the **World Wisdom Council** (WWC) initiated by the **Club of Budapest**
- Youth leaders from the **World Spirit Youth Council** (WSYC)
- Delegates from spiritually oriented **Non Profit Organizations** (NGO's)
- Individuals from business and society

There is only limited vacancy still available in the “individuals” category.

**Fees**

Euro (€) 1'500.—for participants (business and society).

Included in the fee are: Participation at all presentations and round tables for the initiation of the World Parliament of Spirituality / intensive and practical exchange of ideas and experiences / with choice visionary representatives of the young generation as well as world-renowned experts / all meals

Registration

www.worldspiritforum.org The WSF Newsletter is also available on the internet.

Cultural Projects from the WSF World Spirit Forum:

Within the scope of the WSF World Spirit Forum as of 2006 there will be a cultural project not only to document the processes emanating from the forum but to interpret and enrich them with own and individual comments.

WSF Culture Project 2006

Sven Nieder, photographer from Bielefeld, Germany will kick off the WSF Culture Project. Together with his camera "Obscura" Nieder walked the "The pilgrim's Road to Santiago" and captured his impressions in a fascinating picture documentary. The young photographer has developed a photo concept especially for the World Spirit Forum which is flexible enough to allow integration into the processes taking place in Arosa and permits an exciting documentation of the results emanating there from.

<http://sven-nieder.de>

World Spirit Youth Council

In January 2005 15 youth leaders met during the 2nd World Spirit Forum in Arosa. They came from all corners of the earth to enhance the future of Spirituality. They unanimously agreed that there is a strong demand for a youth movement which has discovered and lives in inner peace and that realizes that only the change within manifests itself in exterior peace. It is this issue that has resulted in the formation of the World Spirit Youth Council.

www.worldspirityouthcouncil.org