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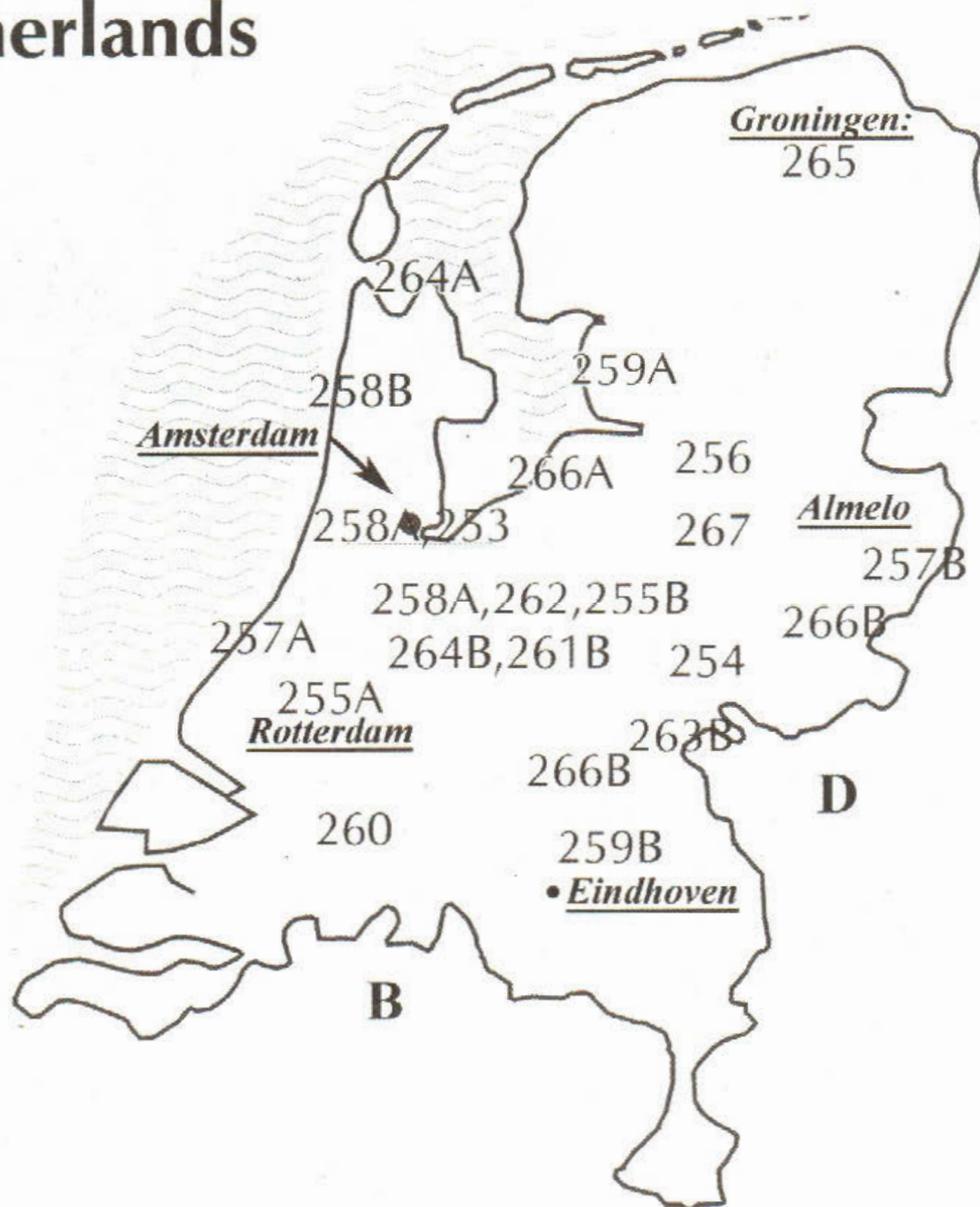
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Netherlands



Amsterdam Catholic Worker Jeannette Noël House

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noelhuis@antenna.nl

www.antenna.nl/noelhuis

1988

(near Amsterdam) 1%

♀10 ♂10 ♀5 👥25

🗣️ Dutch, e

👥 we are all volunteers

👥 the core group (sort of by consensus)

👂 we rely 99% on donations

🔑 rented

🏠 christianarchy & pacifism

🌍 offering hospitality to undocumented migrants, holding vigils at the deportation prison & other protests, gardening

🚲 ecological, self-managed, anarchistic, left-wing political understanding, feminist, non-violent, Christian, ecumenical, peace-work, environmental protection, organic gardening, humour



In Matthew 25, Jesus says what you do to the least of your brothers and sisters, you do to him. Right now those people society illegalises are certainly among the least. So we try to live together and offer hospitality to 11-18 undocumented migrants and their children. We also regularly hold vigils at the deportation prison, visit the prisoners there and squat a piece of land where we grow some fruit trees and berry bushes and enjoy campfires with the children. In the vegetable garden at the house we grow vegetables. Short visiting guests are welcome by prior agreement and they don't have to work or pay.



→ See also description of network „**European Catholic Worker**“

🌐 KNR Kleine Gemeenschappen

😊 they have to speak Dutch and like/tolerate Jesus & pacifism & christianarchy

Casa De Pauw

Oude Velperweg 36 - 38 | 6824 HE Arnhem

✉ info@casadepauw.nl

🌐 www.casadepauw.nl

📅 1985

🏠 1 ha (near Arnhem) 📈 5 %

♀24 ♂20 ♀13 👤57

🗣 e, g, Dutch

🗳 all (consensus)

🏠 individual rent

🔑 rented

🔗 self-managed



In Casa de Pauw about 44 adults and a bunch of kids are living in groups. All these groups have their own way of living. Because each group gives this a different interpretation, the atmosphere, the age and character of the residents is different in each group. No group resembles another and living areas sometimes change composition. There are several advantages for cohousing. Housing costs are distributed. You can eat together. There is always someone who can help you with that one nasty job, or assist you if you are down. You are always free to go to someone because you share together the same place and atmosphere. Moreover, you can also visit another group. In addition to the common areas and the huge garden (± 0.8 acres), you also have your own living space, which is completely yours alone. So there is room enough off to isolate if you want to, and on the other hand, there are plenty of people around you when you want to have company.

😊 must be able to pay, of course, and will have to fit in. If not; sorry.



Centraal Wonen Zevenkamp

V. E. v Vrieslandstraat 19 | 3069 WC Rotterdam

+31-(0)65440410

pr@cw7.nl

www.cw7.nl

1982 13 ha (near Rotterdam) 10% ♀42 ♂34 ♀34 110

g, e, Dutch

40 6

all residents (majority)

membership fees of the residents

partly rented, partly property

cultural creatives

living, sustainability, neighbourly help, quality of life

self-managed, left-wing political understanding, feminist, non-violent, meditation, yoga, environmental protection, permaculture, alternative energy, humour, creative activities, chores, eating together, insect-friendly vegetable garden, gardening



Living in CW7: CW7 is the most beautiful village in Rotterdam. If you walk through the lush gardens, you can hear chickens clucking, neighbourly chats and the wind in the tall trees. People help each other to set up solar collectors, give each other advice on water consumption or energy and we maintain the insect-friendly kitchen garden together. At the first sign of sunshine we get together for communal outdoor picnics with tapas and barbecue equipment. About 110 residents between the ages of 0 and 80 have set up a beautiful and safe environment at the city's edge. There are 60 houses with eight communal rooms, three indoor gardens, a café, guestrooms and an orchard. The people who live here know each other and their neighbourhood. They are people who like to help each other out if necessary. CW7 is a particularly brilliant home for children. We love nature and art and try to accommodate different lifestyles.

LVCW (landelijke vereniging centraal wonen; eng. national cohousing association)

cultural creatives

De Bondgenoot

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www.bondgenoot.nl

1987 (near Arnhem) ♀14 ♂12 ♀6 32

Dutch, e

committee (everyone has to agree finally)

own spiritual way with Christian background, very open minded. We want to create a positive climate where people can really meet each other and can work on themselves.

having moments to meet each other (moments of eating and drinking coffee/tea), a circle of talking about spirituality

self-managed, non-violent, spiritual, Christian, ecumenical, inner growth, mentally/psychologically handicapped persons, art of life, new beginning, resisting individualism, inclusion, joint spiritual search, unity in diversity



A bunch of life-loving people who make each others life gleam. A place for a new beginning in a warm, friendly surrounding. People, old and young and from different backgrounds and locations. Standing together for a pleasant and good life!



De Bondgenoot was founded out of the dream to create a warm and positive place for people who had grown lonely in society. De Bondgenoot gave them a chance for a new start. Nine families brought this into existence 25 years ago. In 1987 nine family dwellings, 12 apartments and a community house were built.

☺ be motivated to live in a community, understand our spiritual way and be motivated to be an active member of our group. Have an open mind.

🏠 De Bongerd

Backermarke 55 | 8016 LJ Zwolle

☎ +31-(0)38-4652142

✉ mmwzdebongerd@gmail.com

🌐 www.mmwzdebongerd.nl

📅 1997

🏠 0.7 ha (near Zwolle) 🏡 1 %

♀34 ♂23 ♀17 👤74

🗣 Dutch, e, g

🗳 general meeting of the members (i.e. all inhabitants) (preferably by consensus, if necessary by (qualified) majority)

🔑 17 of 36 homes are rented, 19 of 36 are privately owned by inhabitants

🌿 ecological way of living

♻ ecological, environmental protection, organic gardening, alternative energy, ecological construction, noaberschap (good neighborhood)



De Bongerd is a green, attractive, diverse project, as ecologically built as possible. A neighborhood where people feel at home. With a place for different ages, forms of families, ideas and opinions. Different homes for different needs, with the chance to stay in the neighborhood when your housing needs change. Combination of rental homes and privately owned homes, child care facility, 2 homes for former psychiatric patients. A neighborhood that the inhabitants maintain by themselves. Living in De Bongerd means not being watched by your neighbors, but getting support from them when you need it. Taking up responsibility for the common green, working together, participation in one of the working groups (green, renters, building and maintenance, newsletter, parties, board) are part of the life. Space for one's own ideas and plans!



→ See also description of network „**Vereniging Ecodorp Nederland**“

🌐 Stichting MMWZ

☺ agree to principles and practices

De Waterspin

Spijkermakersstraat 136 | 2512 ET Den Haag

 info@dewaterspin.nl

 www.dewaterspin.nl

 1998

 (near Den Haag)

 65

 e

 self-managed, left-wing political understanding, environmental protection, organic gardening, ecological construction, accessible to the disabled



“De Waterspin” (“the water spider”) is a small urban community of about 40 separate households and several small businesses. Some basic facilities are shared, like the laundry machines, the garden, the playground and the storage. The community was built in 1998 according to ecological and sustainable principles. Nowadays many of these principles are common in mainstream building. The Waterspin is a mixture of private property and rented houses. The water management in the Waterspin is still special: toilets are flushed with rain water, and for the laundry recycled water is used, which is purified in a little artificially made reed marsh and hence is used again and again.

The sharing of social activities is also very special in our community, making the Waterspin more than a small village in the city.

→ See also description of network „**Vereniging Ecodorp Nederland**“

 private property: no special requirements, rented houses: social

De Wonne

Noorderhagen 25 | 7511 EK Enschede

 +31-(0)53-4318787

 enschede@wonne.nl

 www.wonne.nl

 1979

 1200 m²

♀14. ♂15 €5  34

 Dutch

 20

 everyone of the core-members (majority vote)

 shared economy (shared income and capital)

 rented/leased

 ecumenical, shared property

 hospitality, becoming one family, recycling, reflection

 left-wing political understanding, non-violent, spiritual, Christian, ecumenical, meditation, one-world development, environmental protection, organic gardening, conventional gardening, social work



“De Wonne” was founded in 1979 out of the desire to demonstrate and express faith in Jesus of Nazareth and to follow the principles of the Franciscans. Our goals are to live and pray together, to share and celebrate and keep the house open for others, especially needy persons with all kinds of problems: marriage problems, people released from psychiatric institutions; people whose commitment to psychiatric institutions can still be prevented, refugees, asylum-seekers; above all people who need to distance themselves from something or someplace, or for other reasons: people like you and me. The community is open for those who would like to spend a longer or shorter period of time with us and share responsibility. We also try to assume responsibility in the parish.

Thanks to the "Handje Twee" second-hand store, the community largely supports itself. "De Wonne" rents a monastery in the centre of the city of Enschede and has also founded two new communities in the neighbouring towns of Almelo and Glanerburg (on the border to Germany).

→ See also description of network „Vereniging Ecodorp Nederland“

🌐 there are three Wonne communities

😊 (Jewish-)Christian tradition

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🌐 www.duurzaamwonenannashoeve.nl

📅 2011

📍 (near Hilversum)

🗣 Dutch, e, g, sp

🌀 ecological, non-violent, self-sufficiency, permaculture, organic gardening, organic farming, animal friendly husbandry, alternative energy, new technologies, ecological construction, humour, accessible to the disabled, People, Planet and Prosperity!



The building-project Annas Hoeve in Hilversum is starting next year, between two beautiful pieces of nature. On one side we can protect and even improve the surrounding nature with our ecological settlement, on the other side we are able to realise it on a beautiful location.

We hope to start our ecological project in the summer of 2015, there are about 30 interested people/families and there is enough space for a hundred more!

Ecodorp Bergen

Groeneweg 14 | 1862 XL Bergen (NH)

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🌐 www.ecodorpbergen.nl

📅 2013

🏡 15 ha (near Bergen (NH))

👤 15 %

♀ 4

♂ 4

👤 3

👤 11

🗣 Dutch, g, e

👤 4

👤 group (sociocracy)

👤 mixed

🔑 ownership

🙏 spiritual, ecological

🌿 environmental remediation, organisation

🌀 ecological, self-managed, non-violent, anthroposophic, inner growth, meditation, tantra, organic diet, adult education, free school, environmental protection, self-sufficiency, permaculture, organic agriculture, organic gardening, organic farming, alternative energy, new technologies, ecological construction, humour, crafts, healing polluted soil, festivals



We bought the wonderful plot in May 2013. As a group we started in 2010. We have a strong sociocratic organisation and a clear vision. This and next year we will develop our final ground plan together with the city council. We are growing to more practical work

and we work with the help of our friends. Since the existing building must be removed and there is ground pollution, we are developing new ways of cleaning. Also we are creating new ways of financing. Being the first, we want to be an example ecovillage in the Netherlands.

- 🌐 GEN Netherlands; Ecodorp Steunstichting
- 😊 approval of our vision, financial

✍ **Ecodorp Gaasterland**

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🏡 3 ha (near Lemmer)

🗺 Dutch, e



We are a community of people aiming to realize an ecovillage in Gaasterland, the Netherlands. The ecovillage is to be founded on a beautiful location (3 ha) with existing buildings. After purchase the location can be immediately inhabited. Ultimately up to 40 adults (and children) can live in the ecovillage, but we will start with a smaller group (up to 20 adults). We use the sociocratic model for decision making.

We are in the phase of forming a more and more tight and stable community to start off with. We share the ideal of forming a community with a strong engagement towards each other, and a strong sense of connection to our environment and nature. We find our personal and spiritual development essential for this.

We hope that the ecovillage Gaasterland may be the place where we can bring our vision into practice.

😊 admission process

✍ **Ecovillage Brabant**

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🌐 www.ecodorpbrabant.nl/english/index.php

📅 2008

🏡 (near Tilburg) 🗺 65 %

♀40 ♂40 €25 👤105

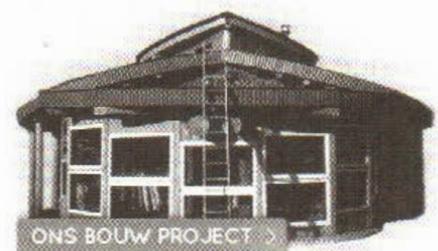
🗺 Dutch, e

👤 common financing

🔑 property of the cooperative, we will only build houses for rent

👂 we are in the planning phase so; describe what we want, involve focus group, think how to do pilots, but mainly expand network

🌿 ecological, self-managed, inner growth, adult education, self-sufficiency, permaculture, organic agriculture, organic gardening, organic farming, animal friendly husbandry, alternative energy, new technologies, ecological construction, humour, inspiring





Ecovillage Brabant is a group of about 100 people who want to live sustainably somewhere in Brabant, in the South of the Netherlands. Sustainable also means small in scale and local; living, working and shopping close together. The area where we will settle will therefore be very important to the ecovillage and vice versa. For the municipality to which we will belong, the ecovillage with her ecotourism, her new companies, the cooperation with existing companies and her positive publicity will be a great asset, also because we are a gigantic think tank with creative, active, positive, sustainable oriented people. We are going to make this century, the Age of Sustainability, there is no alternative.

We want to live in contact with nature, each other and ourselves. We want to make a positive contribution through sustainable living and we want to inspire. We want the best version of ourselves through self-development and self-reflection.

We are an umbrella organization. There are several ecovillage initiatives in our association.

→ See also description of network „GEN Europe“

☺ stand behind our vision and cultural principals (see website)

Emmaus in Langeweg and Breda

Kloosterlaan 6 | 4772 RA Langeweg

☎ +31-(0)168-324524

✉ info@emmaus-langeweg.nl

🌐 www.emmaus-langeweg.nl

📅 1971

📍 (near Breda) 🗳️ 13 %

♀️ 4 ♂️ 9 🧑 1 👨 14

🗣️ Dutch, e, some g, f 🧑 12-13 members, 7 salaried workers, 60 volunteers

👥 one part of the group, called the core-group (partly consensus, partly board)

💰 shared income

🏛️ foundation

👋 second-hand shop and support for homeless



Once more! These words are symbolic for the activities of Emmaus in Langeweg. Emmaus houses people who are in trouble, especially the homeless. Emmaus gives them the opportunity to rebuild their lives. Meanwhile Emmaus gives chances to idealistic people to put their ideas into practice. Finally, Emmaus combats the economy of excessive consumption and returns value to discarded objects. Emmaus collects cast off goods and sells them. In this way, Emmaus is financially independent. Part of the income is donated to projects, both in the Third World or nearby.

The community in Langeweg houses about 10 persons. All community members work in the second-hand shop, collecting, sorting and selling goods. They attend to the housekeeping together. Community members receive food and board, insurance, pocket money, travel expenses and items from the shop. Aside from them there are over 25 volunteers and some salaried employees. Emmaus Langeweg is situated in a former monastery in a small village in the South of the Netherlands. A stay in the community gives you the chance to put your ideas into practice and discover your talents. We want to live, work and share together. We choose solidarity.

→ See also description of network „Emmaus“

☺ enthusiasm for common work, working and living, probationary period required

Erve Veldink

Eibergseweg 42 | 7273 SR Haarlo

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☎ +31-(0)545-261448

💻 www.erveveldink.nl

📅 1981

🌳 1 ha (near Zutphen) 🏠 15 %

♀2 ♂1 👤3

🗑️ e, g, Dutch

♻️ 3 🗑️ 3

👥 all 3 or the owner, depends on the issue (consensus)

💰 individual financing

🔑 property of one member

🧘 focus on consciousness

🏠 guesthouses, therapy, retreats, consciousness

🌱 ecological, self-managed, left-wing political understanding, non-violent, spiritual, inner growth, meditation, organic diet, vegetarian diet, seminar-house, environmental protection, organic gardening, animal friendly husbandry, alternative energy, conscious

😊 🙌

Erve Veldink is a Center for Reflection and Inspiration in a monumental farm with a history back to the 14th Century. The farm is inhabited by a small ecological community.

From shared values: consciousness, openness and contact, responsibility, attentiveness, respect for people, animal, environment, together we create a safe surrounding for our guests and for each other, with place for vulnerability, self-reflection, co-creation and compassion.

This beautiful place of strength stimulates personal growth. Living and working together demands clarity, openness as well as contact, and taking responsibility for your feelings.

Together we form a bedding for personal and spiritual growth for ourselves and for our guests. Residents each have a living space of their own, with much privacy. Together we take care of the yard and garden. Tuning in we create several moments for contact, like for consultation, meditation and shared meals.

A seminar house is built in a stable next to the farm and some nice apartments are built within the farm. Here we welcome people for individual stay, with or without various forms of (therapeutic) support.

On a regular basis we organize retreats, open meals for guests, locals and residents, evening-programmes and meeting-and-volunteering-days.

😊 noted on our website

Evangelical Community Elim

Bergweg 7 | 3941 RA Doorn

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☎ +31-(0)343-417064

💻 www.elim.nl

📅 1975

🏠 1 ha (near Utrecht)

♀3 ♂6 👤9

🗑️ Dutch, e

🗑️ 5

👥 everyone in common (consensus) 🏠 shared economy (shared income and capital)

🔑 foundation

🧘 Protestant/Evangelical/Christian

🏠 design, missionary work, church, parish contacts

🌱 self-managed, non-violent, Christian, accessible to the disabled, non smoking



The Elim community provides for their own livelihood through full-time and part-time jobs, and consists right now of 5 adults and 4 long-time guests. Most of the income comes from the running of a technical illustration and design bureau, study-bible project, and part-time jobs outside the community. Community members live with a common purse, from which all costs are paid: rent, cars, holidays, pocket money, etc. The evangelical Elim church emerged in 1985 from the community's circle of friends. This church has 3 meetings each week. We try, both in the community and in the church, to live with God in our everyday life. In addition, there are ongoing contacts with Christians in Third World countries – mainly India - both with Western missionaries and native believers. Elim initiated a community movement of what has grown to become 35 Dutch communities. The main focus is now our intercultural church house, where many refugees come and find Jesus. We hope that the way we lead our lives will help people discover that it is possible to live in peace and happiness through the life-giving and -transforming power of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Saviour. Come and visit us!

→ See also description of network „**Vereniging Ecodorp Nederland**“

Christian Community Network

Franciscaans Milieuproject

Stoutenburgerlaan 5 | 3835 PB Stoutenburg

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www.stoutenburg.nl

1991

11 ha (near Amersfoort)

3 3 6

e, g

all

the community (consensus)

shared income

rented

Franciscan, ecological, ecumenical

gardening, household, conference centre

ecological, self-managed, non-violent, spiritual, Christian, ecumenical, vegetarian diet, seminar-house, permaculture, organic agriculture, organic gardening, forestry



We are an ecumenical religious community with an emphasis on the relationship of human beings to other living beings. We are inspired by the life of St. Francis of Assisi, the Vietnamese monk Thich Nhat Hanh and others. In our daily routine there are set times for meditation, work, communal and private life. In order to pay our rent and other expenses we maintain a small conference house. We work in our organic garden and manage the house in a consistently environmentally friendly manner. We are dependent on the help of volunteers. They share our life. We organise various events in the area of human beings and the environment, ranging from ecological suppers to several weeks of activities and meditation.

→ See also description of network „**Vereniging Ecodorp Nederland**“

Franciscans

Christian/Franciscan background, good health,

GWL-terrein

Waterkersweg 316 | 1051 PK Amsterdam

 www.gwl-terrein.nl

 1996

 6 ha (near Amsterdam)

 20,01 %

 1400

 Dutch, e

 koepelvereniging GWL-terrein (umbrella organisation for house owners and residents) (consensus and/or by majority vote)

 every household and owner pays 6 Euro per month for the koepelvereniging (see above)

 owner occupied and rented apartments

 housing

 ecological, organic gardening, ecological construction, car free

GWL-terrein is a mixed urban neighborhood of 600 households (both owner occupied and rented apartments) and some business units, built in the 1990s on an old industrial site (former site of the water company of Amsterdam) with a green and car free public space of 6 ha. Characteristic elements of the public area: 80 small garden plots (used by residents of the area and surrounding neighbourhoods), fruit trees, paths and squares which are accessible only for pedestrians and cyclists, hawthorn hedges...

→ See also description of network „Vereniging Ecodorp Nederland“

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 2014

 (near Nijmegen)

♀47 ♂18 ♻18  83

 Dutch

 spiritual: silence, ecological, working as community member



We are a community, still in the building phase. Our community is based upon silence, encompassing all generations, supporting each other and ecological starting points. There will be all kinds of households: singles, doubles, living groups and families. In total there will be 50 households. We will manage our community in all aspects: we assign the renting houses, we determine the rents, there are several spaces meant for community purposes only like the music room, meditation rooms, community kitchen and activity space. Silence will connect us in every gathering. Our decision system is based upon cooperative decision making.

😊 have a string connection with our aims

Michaëlshof Environmental Centre

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🌐 www.michaelshof.nl

📅 1978 🏠 1 ha (near Hoorn, Alkmaar, Den Helder) 🌿 80 % ♀ 1 ♂ 1 ♀ 2 👥 4

🗣️ g, e, f, Dutch

♻️ 2 🧑 9

👥 the community board (concensus)

🏠 shared economy

🔑 owner

🧘 shamanism, sufism and openness to others

🌱 permaculture, spiritual rituals, sustainable energy and building

🌿 ecological, self-managed, left-wing political understanding, feminist, non-violent, spiritual, inner growth, meditation, organic diet, adult education, pedagogical, free school, seminar-house, one-world development, mentally/psychologically handicapped persons, physically handicapped persons, environmental protection, permaculture, organic agriculture, organic gardening, alternative energy, new technologies, ecological construction, humour, accessible to the disabled, community building, permaculture, shamanism, therapeutical work

😊 🧑

The Environmental Centre „The Michaëlshof“ is situated on the North Coast of The Netherlands with a straight and open view of the Waddenzee.

This unique and splendid location is surrounded by coastal nature and has very fertile soil in which we have been gardening for 40 years without any emissions, in full cooperation and balance with nature. We have our own water supplies, with clear drinking water from our own source and are recycling waste water by means of a flowing greenhouse that purifies the water before leading it to the ground water level again. That's why we don't use any disturbing chemical additions neither in our daily householding nor in gardening and animal keeping - bees and chickens.

The Michaëlshof is a meeting place for all kinds of people and activities oriented towards a healthy, natural and spiritual way of living, with a focus on sustainability, community building and personal inner growth. We organize courses, therapeutic and spiritual meetings, shared dinners with food from the garden, volunteer labour in diverse fields, yearly festivals and international working and meeting weeks. We use solar energy for water heating and want to build a windmill for the whole neighbourhood to get local electricity.

🌐 Transition Town movement; Sufi community Alkmaar (head office)

😊 ideological

Nikola-Kommunität

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📅 1964



♀ 15 ♂ 6 ♀ 0 👥 21

🗣️ Dutch, e, g, f

🧑 most of us have part time jobs or pensions

- 👥 the members (we have a community council and a foundation for the material belongings)
- 👤 5 of us have shared income, the rest has individual financing
- 🔑 property, a few members live on their own
- 🌐 ecumenical
- 🙏 Gebed, Gemeenschap, Gastvrijheid = prayer, community, hospitality
- 🌀 left-wing political understanding, non-violent, spiritual, ecumenical, Buddhist, meditation, vegetarian diet, adult education



The Nikola-Community is an ecumenical religious community of celibates, singles and families of all age groups. The community is founded upon the belief in Jesus the Messiah, in the ecumenical sense of the word. This implies, among other things, that Protestants and Catholics as well as men and women, young and old, celibate, single and married people may supplement and enrich each other. The community is open to adherents of other religious persuasions and inspirations. We believe in the unity of prayer and daily life, meditation and action, mysticism and politics, word, sacrament and zeal.

The community manages its household affairs collectively (communal kitchen, dining and living room, shopping, shared facilities). There is a modest library and vegetable gardens.

One may participate financially by either yielding one's entire income to the community (and this covers all costs of living in return), or, by paying for one's room and board.

Anyone is welcome to drop by during set visiting times. One may also stay for longer periods of time for recuperation, reflection, a retreat, a 'marriage vacation' or to become acquainted with the community.

Oude RKZ

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🌐 orkz.net

📅 1979

📍 (near Groningen)

👥 ca. 10 🏠 250

👤 approx. 150

- 🗺 Dutch, e, g
- 👥 different groups, and on very important issues all (majority vote)
- 👤 individual financing
- 🙏 theatre, cinema, bar, restaurant, art studios, garden, and several other groups related to the building
- 🌀 ecological, self-managed, left-wing political understanding, organic gardening, alternative energy, new technologies, construction, humour, art



The Oude Rooms Katholieke Ziekenhuis (ORKZ) was originally a hospital. In 1979, when a new hospital was built, the ORKZ should have been knocked down in order to build luxury apartments. However, different groups united and squatted the building. Today, it is a legalized living community with a large diversity of people. The ORKZ is self-managed and maintained by its inhabitants; they are both rent payers and landlords. In the ORKZ different generations, nations, characters, cultures and subcultures live together, create together, destroy together, laugh together, argue together, dance together, you only shit alone 😊

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 🏠 1985 📍 (near Lelystad) 👤 175 👥 500
 🗣 Dutch, g, e
 🧘 Trancendental Meditation in a group programme
 🌿 ecological, meditation



In 1979 Maharishi called on the Dutch sidhas to create an ideal village, so that the effect of the daily group practice of the TM-Sidhi programme could be demonstrated in this 'Land of Wholeness'.

The Ideal Village was started in 1985 in an area which offers the most space and the cleanest environment: the new province, Flevoland (reclaimed land). On the outskirts of Lelystad, a city of 60,000 inhabitants, the Dutch sidhas were allowed to build their own suburb, according to their own principles. The Ideal Village has grown steadily and it now includes 275 homes of different sizes, a beautiful dome, a junior school, a vegetarian restaurant, business- and office-accommodation, a Maharishi Ayurveda clinic and much more.

There are about 350 adults and 175 children living in the village. Since Maharishi gave the Dutch sidha village an European status, we have a steady stream of sidha immigrants coming.

The Ideal Village has its own property developer and housing agency, which rents out the various houses and business accommodations. All the houses are built using environmentally-friendly materials and are well insulated. There are two-roomed apartments, two- and three-bedroomed houses (all for rent) and also privately owned houses. It is possible to buy a piece of land on which to build your own house.

→ See also description of network „**Vereniging Ecodorp Nederland**“

☺ practice of Trancendental Meditation

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 🏠 1980 📍 2400 m² (near Oss) 👤 15 % ♀ 1-2 ♂ 2-3 👥 3-5

🗣 Dutch, e, g

👤 all

👥 the board (consensus)

👤 selling of donated goods

🔑 property of the community

🔄 second hand goods: collecting, repairing, cleaning and selling

🌿 ecological, non-violent, spiritual, esoteric/New Age, inner growth, meditation, environmental protection, conventional agriculture, conventional gardening, animal friendly husbandry, alternative energy, social work, art



We are a small community in the rural South of the Netherlands, usually one or two people, maximum five. Workshops, hobby rooms, vegetable gardens, occasional care of

homeless people, no addicts, no psychologically ill. All inhabitants work according to their abilities and receive food and board and a little pocket money. We are independent of subsidies or gifts. We finance ourselves by means of donations in kind. We sell disused, but still functional, utilitarian objects after potential repairs or cleaning. The surplus which we do not need for our own use we give away to projects and charitable organisations.

→ See also description of network „Emmaus“

☺ ideological but no dreamers, workers

Vereniging Aardehuis

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📅 2006

🌳 1.2 ha (near Deventer)

♀ 24

♂ 18

👤 31

👥 73

🗣️ Dutch, e, g

👤 all adults

👤 the general circle, representing all adults (sociocratic decision-making)

🔑 property of home-owners association, consisting of owners

🌱 ecological, self-managed, permaculture, organic agriculture, organic gardening, animal friendly husbandry, alternative energy, new technologies, ecological construction, construction

☺

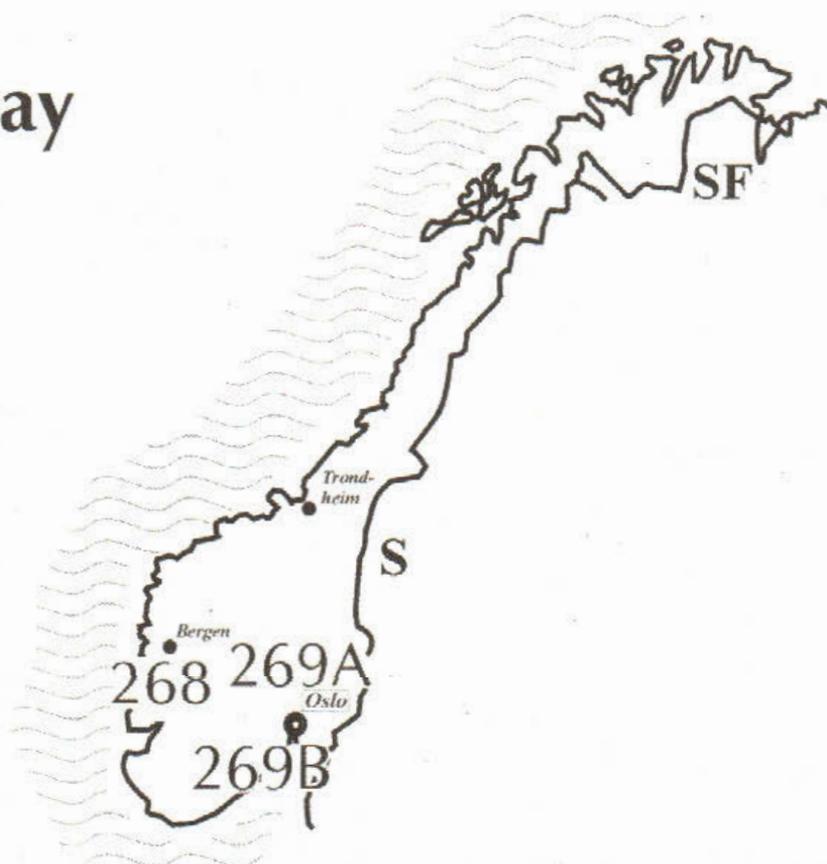
In 2012, we started the building of 23 Aardehuizen (Earth Houses) in Olst, the Netherlands. In creating an example of sustainability and self-reliance in building and living, we hope to inspire others. Aardehuizen combine principles of earthships with other environmentally balanced design methods. At the same time, we must face challenges and opportunities that Dutch society presents - such as to navigate through building regulations in a densely populated country. The result will be houses built with tires, (mostly) second hand wood, straw bales, cob, big windows at the South, green roofs, solar panels and permaculture. All residents build at least one day per week. For design and construction we have professional supervisors, since most of us had little previous experience in building. A significant milestone was reached with the handing over of the first houses in the spring of 2013.

Our community is strengthened by trainings on sociocratic decision-making, and active sharing of skills within the group, such as growing vegetables.

Our volunteers are a great source of help and inspiration. Some work regularly for a longer period, others stay for a day, a week or a month. And many leave as friends! Do you want to be our next volunteer? Contact us via meedoen@aardehuis.nl

☺ shared interest in aardehuizen (earth houses/earthships), compatible with group/social skills, physically able to build

Norway



Hogganvik Landsby

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📅 1972

📍 (near Haugesund) ♀ca. 15 ♂ca. 15 ♿ 8 👥ca. 40

- 🇳🇴 Norwegian, e
- 🏠 anthroposophical
- 👤 caregiving, farm, garden, forest, household
- 🌿 ecological, anthroposophic, mentally/psychologically handicapped persons, organic agriculture, organic gardening, organic farming, animal friendly husbandry, forestry



Hogganvik village is a life sharing and work community for adults who need special care, co-workers and their families. The village is located in Vindafjord in Rogaland, 60 km East of Haugesund. There are currently about 45 people in the village community, of which 35 live in the village. Hogganvik Village is part of the international Camphill Movement and the Camphill Village Trust, Norway. Hogganvik village and all activities in the village are based on Rudolf Steiner's anthroposophy and Karl König's (founder of the Camphill Movement) social and therapeutic impulse.

Village life challenges people to meet their own and others' limits. It creates an environment which encourages the development of the individual's responsibility for themselves and for others as an essential factor. One of the most important aspects of life in the village is promoting the individual's self-esteem and confidence. To achieve this we do not use therapy; our most important tools are rich and varied work, culture and community life.

→ See also description of network „Camphill“

Solborg

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📅 1975

🌳 75 ha (near Hønefoss, Jevnaker)

♀26 ♂14 ♀7 👤47

🇳🇴 Norwegian, e, g

👤 all adults

🗳️ village council and leadergroup (consensus)

👤 varies

🏛️ foundation

🌱 anthroposophy

🌿 biodynamic farming and gardening, forest, baking, weavery, housekeeping, woodworking

🔄 ecological, left-wing political understanding, Christian, anthroposophic, pedagogical, seminar-house, mentally/psychologically handicapped persons, organic agriculture, organic gardening, organic farming, animal friendly husbandry, forestry

😊 🙌

Solborg Camphill Village in Norway has a bio-dynamic farm, extensive vegetable gardens, a bakery, a weavery, and a large forest for timber and firewood.

Most of us live in large extended families, co-workers (long term people with their families, and young temporary volunteers) and villagers (mentally handicapped or otherwise in need of help), sharing our lives, our meals, our living rooms and bathrooms. There may be as many as fifteen people gathered round the dining table every day. Each house has its own budget, and is run more or less autonomously by a couple of responsible co-workers. In the morning and the afternoon everyone goes to work, in a variety of workplaces. Each person contributes to the running of the village according to their capability. Within this sphere no money changes hands, and work is seen to be something that is freely given within the fellowship.

Solborg is in Southern Norway, an hour from Oslo, on the edge of an extensive wilderness area. Within the village we have a Steiner school with over 100 pupils.

We are open for volunteers and long term co-workers who would be interested in sharing their lives with us.

→ See also description of network „**Camphill**“

😊 enjoying work, healthy, happy

Vidaraasen Village (Camphill)

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📅 1966

🌳 2000 ha (near Tonsberg)

♀38 ♂21 ♀20 👤79

🇳🇴 Norwegian, e

🗳️ the executive team or the village council

👤 shared economy and from the Norwegian State

🏛️ private foundation

🌱 anthroposophy

🌿 farm, vegetable and herb gardens + approx. 15 other workshops

🔄 ecological, self-managed, Christian, organic diet, mentally/psychologically han-

dicapped persons, environmental protection, organic agriculture, organic gardening, organic farming, forestry, ecological construction



Our vision: A meaningful daily life, individual development, co-operation with others. Vidaråsen Village is a living- and working-community for both people with learning disabilities and the staff who work with them. In the village we try to create a rounded work and life situation for everyone.

Vidaråsen was founded in 1966 as the first Camphill village in Norway. On our website you can find descriptions about how one can apply as a villager or as a staff member. Further descriptions of different aspects of village life and the history of the village are also available. Vidaråsen lies within a local municipality, Andebu kommune, which is a part of the county of Vestfold, Norway.

→ See also description of network „Camphill“

☺ preferably aged 20 or older



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📅 2012 🌳 14 ha (near Klodzko, Wroclaw (Breslau)) 🏠 50 % ♀ 3 ♂ 4 🏠 1 👤 8

- 🗣 Polish, g, e
- 👤 all, with equal rights (consensus)
- 🏠 property
- 🌳 garden, building - creating a homestead
- 🌱 ecological, self-managed, non-violent, inner growth, organic diet, vegetarian diet, self-sufficiency, permaculture, organic agriculture, organic gardening, alternative energy, new technologies, ecological construction, humour, accessible to the disabled

👤 4, but also guests, interested people

🏠 individual financing



We are a friendship group with the goal of founding an ecovillage. We have purchased a 14ha property, and dozens of garden estates. The first house is just being built. We wish to attain as high a degree of self-sufficiency in terms of food as possible. Neighbourly help and cooperation are very important. Hundreds of trees have already been planted and the first spelt harvest has been successful. Our land is located on a plateau at 300m altitude, surrounded by little hills, forests and fields, and is part of the Sudetenland, not far from the Czech border and the river Neisse, in a very peaceful location.

- 😊 affinity to nature, self-responsibility/independence as well as mutual help, realizing a collective vision, willingness/financial commitment do design/cultivate own piece of land



🏠🏠 **Barkowo Ecovillage**

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📅 2011 🌳 16 ha (near Goldap) 🏠 30 % ♀ 1 ♂ 3 🏠 2 👤 6

- 🗣 Polish, e, Russian
- 👤 all (concensus)
- 🏠 partly individual financing and partly common financing of some activities
- 🏠 property of the trust
- 🌳 natural building, gardening
- 🌱 ecological, esoteric/New Age, chaotic, organic diet, vegetarian diet, vegan diet, adult education, pedagogical, free school, seminar-house, peace-work, alternative energy, new technologies, ecological construction, cordwood, cob building

👤 4



Barkowo Ecovillage is located in North Eastern Poland near the town Goldap, within the ecologically protected area of Wegorapa and Goldapa Valley. The terrain is slightly hilly, with access to the Goldapa river and a large forest complex situated nearby. At the present time on the 16 ha farm (including 1.5 ha of forest) there is only one old house and outbuildings and two families are living there permanently. The founders of Barkowo Ecovillage are vegetarian for ethical reasons. They want to live in a simple, natural and organic lifestyle, and want to achieve self-sufficiency based on the gifts of nature. In the near future the land will be divided into 10 separate 1 ha plots and each family will be living on their own plot. In the middle of the farm there will be a common area with communal buildings serving the needs of the entire community.

🌍 „Dla Ziemi i Ludzi“ („For Earth and People“ Foundation)

😊 consensus of all residents after probation

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📅 1995

🌳 5 ha (near Krakow)

♀6 ♂6 ♀4 👤16

- 🗣 e, Polish, sp, g, f ♻ all adults in varying capacity 🗣 most of us
- 👥 all who are concerned (general agreement)
- 👤 individual family financing, community business
- 🔑 individually owned homes and shared land
- 🌀 we practice the science of Homa Therapy for healing, nourishing and energizing the atmosphere and consequently the environment. We are a universal spiritual community.
- 👤 working in the Foundation to promote Agnihotra and Homa Therapy internationally. Then gardening, microgreen production, bee keeping, fruit orchard, farming, cows, cottage industries
- 🌱 ecological, self-managed, non-violent, spiritual, inner growth, meditation, yoga, organic diet, vegetarian diet, seminar-house, environmental protection, self-sufficiency, permaculture, organic agriculture, organic gardening, organic farming, animal friendly husbandry, alternative energy, new technologies, ecological construction, humour, non smoking, Agnihotra, Homa Therapy, educational, Vedic farming, crafts, creative arts, Sound Therapy, music, medicinal herbs, home schooling, Mandala Art Therapy, Ayurveda



Bhru-gu Aranya is a blossoming international Ecovillage. Residents range in age from 5 to 65 and are an eclectic group of artists, healers, writers, film makers, musicians, therapists, gardeners, teachers and herbalists. Workshops are offered in Homa Organic Farming, Herbs for Healing, Mandala Art Therapy, Sound Therapy, Creative Expression and many more.

Our non-profit ecological/educational 'Homa Therapy Foundation' is based at Bhru-gu Aranya, situated in the Beskida Mountain region with views of the majestic Tatra Mountains. The atmosphere of this farm is infused with high vibrations from Ayurvedic

healing fires that are performed daily. It is this energy that radiates to heal the Earth. We invite you to come and experience transformation in a super-charged, creative, healing environment.

In 2010, the community designed a project to create the Centre of Light to be a place of refuge, solace for those seeking healing and rejuvenation in a purified and harmonious atmosphere. The Centre, a unique double octagon structure, will be built with ecological materials. It is to be a gathering point where visionaries and healers from around the world can come and share their knowledge with other kindred spirits.

🌐 Homa Community Network

😊 interest in Agnihotra and Homa Therapy. All members are vegetarian and no alcohol or drugs allowed.

🔪 Bushcraft Berlin & Biber Camp Bronków

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📅 2010

🏠 1800m² (near Krosno)

👥 20 %

♂ 1 👥 1

🗣 g, f, e

👥 varies (many guests during summer)

👥 all who are concerned (consensus)

💰 individual financing

🔑 property of one member

🌱 gardening, 2014: construction of an eco-house

🌀 ecological, self-managed, anarchistic, left-wing political understanding, non-violent, organic diet, adult education, animal protection, environmental protection, self-sufficiency, permaculture, organic gardening, alternative energy, ecological construction

😊 🙌

Frenchman (55), dropout, wilderness education and survival trainer. "Emigrated" from Germany to Poland in 2010 (30km from the German border). Lives on a smallholding in a small village with a vegetable garden, dogs, cats, chickens and a horse. Property with tipis on the river Bober in a free, solitary environment. To date many visitors and helpers (WWOOFers). Planning to move in 2014 to a nearby land of my own (1800m²), in the middle of nature, to build an ecological house with an organic garden and with alternative energy. Open to autonomous people who wish to participate in this self-sufficiency project within the framework of a small community.

😊 topics: self-sufficiency, frugal and sustainable lifestyle, no fundamentalism of any kind



L.A.S. - Local Alternative Society

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📅 1982

🏡 (near Lublin)

👤 90

🗨️ e, g, f, sp, Polish, Russian

🌀 ecological, anarchistic, non-violent, Buddhist, inner growth, meditation, yoga, organic diet, vegetarian diet, macrobiotic diet, adult education, pedagogical, peace-work, animal protection, environmental protection, self-sufficiency, permaculture, organic gardening, alternative energy, new technologies, ecological construction, humour, ecological constructions, organic architecture, choir, music, painting, sculpture, making instruments, furniture, tipis, jewellery, recording music, permaculture, tai chi, chi gong

😊 🙌

There are currently around 30 families (90 people) living in individual houses in ten villages, spread 20 km around Kozłowiecki Park. L.A.S. is a group of artistic and ecological settlers from the cities wanting to live closer to Nature.

The Association "For the Earth" was established in 1995. We are engaged in a variety of artistic, educational and social activities that connect these neighbouring villages. As an association we are creating a School of Rural Settlement - for city people who want to move to the countryside. We want to organize workshops to share the practical experience of the settlers who have been living in this area for more than 30 years.

Currently many families still make their living from artistic activities, temporary jobs, and some have their own businesses. Some of us have organic, permaculture gardens. Some of us build alternative, ecological systems, experimenting with alternative energy supplies and new technologies.

Most of our grown up children went to the cities to study, or to work in other countries, but currently some of them are returning and starting to build their own houses for their families.

Among us there is a lot of cooperation, helping each other and having fun together and we know that in cases of difficulty we are not alone.

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📅 2011

🏡 45 ha (near Elk)

♀3 ♂3 ♀6 👤12

🗨️ g, e, Polish, Russian

👤 all who are concerned (consensus)

👤 individual financing

👤 everybody has a property of his own and some property of all

👤 non ideological

👤 farming, gardening, construction

🌀 ecological, self-managed, non-violent, ecumenical, organic diet, vegetarian diet, vegan diet, permaculture, organic agriculture, organic gardening, organic farming, alternative energy, ecological construction, pottery



At this point, we are three families. We appreciate living in the countryside. We aren't perfect, but strive for a conscious, simple life. We are willing to change our behaviour and our thoughts in order to preserve the natural resources of our Earth. We minimize our ecological footprint in various ways.

Everything that Polish law allows is allowed here as well. We do not want to give ourselves additional rules and don't want to declare in advance how far our communal living will go. Many things we decide pragmatically.



Each family has their own private property, house and space. As our first joint efforts, we want to cultivate our biggest pond, plant trees for firewood and install a playground. We want to get to know new settlers first. Because of the necessity to buy a plot of land and to build a dwelling on it, certain financial requirements need to be met. We don't see how we can eliminate this obstacle entirely, but low prices and mutual assistance make it possible to live relatively cheaply. We are open for options other than the one-house-per-family-norm.

☺ being accepted by all old members, ability to build or buy a house

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📅 1993

🏡 19 ha (near Suwalki)

👤 > 50 %

♀1 ♂2 ♀5 👤8

🗣️ g, Polish, e, (f, i)

👤 2 or more

🗣️👤 all who are concerned (consensus, selecting the best solution for all of us)

👤 common financing

👤 common property

👤 a strongly grounded pure spirituality full of light, beyond all religions

👤 self-sufficiency (gardening, agriculture, animal husbandry, cheese production)

👤 ecological, self-managed, spiritual, inner growth, organic diet, environmental protection, self-sufficiency, permaculture, organic agriculture, organic gardening, organic farming, alternative energy, new technologies, ecological construction, humour, non smoking, flexible social structure, right dosage and balance, joie de vivre, sensual, school of life, cheese production



We have been living in the beautiful Suwalki Landscape Park since 1993, where we have created a sustainable foundation for our extended family on 19 ha of organically managed cultural and natural land. We live in a harmonious community with a huge diversity of wild and cultivated plants, wild animals, working animals and pets; now we are only lacking in more long-term cohabitants. In contrast to our initial expectations, ideas about community are still not topical in Poland. The relatively hard climate here in

the North-East is also not particularly attractive, therefore we have remained a seasonal community. A place where people come particularly during the summer months in order to collect self-sufficiency and community experiences. Time has not stopped, so the many small children have turned into teenagers and young adults, and they are flying out one by one. So the family dynamic is in constant flux, there are new possibilities and space for people who would like to join us. In 2013 we started planning the restructuring of our buildings. We just hope that we get the necessary planning permission and that we can finance the project in order to progressively implement our plans. In the coming years it would therefore be ideal if some people would find us who would like to dedicate their hearts, ideas and energy to this place, and who would not be wanting to leave.

☺ we are happy to let you surprise us - if it fits, it fits

Portugal



ARTLIFE

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📅 1996 🌳 0.5 ha (near Faro) 🏠 5 % ♀5 ♂2 ♀4 👤11

- 🗨️ g, e, f, Portuguese
- 👤 everybody (consensus)
- 🔑 so far property of individuals
- 🖥️ computer work, household, garden
- 🔄 non-violent, sexuality, adult education, pedagogical, humour, art, art therapy, social research

♻️ everybody 🧑 everybody

📦 common supply, common projects



We are a community with a long shared history. We lived at the Friedrichshof farm in Austria (1974-1990) in Otto Muehl's commune and then continued our communal life in Portugal from 1996. Otto spent his old age in our midst, until his death on May 26th 2013. We search for a balance between the individual and the social. Success with this balance brings much energy and happiness. We organise everything together: earning money, household, garden, art projects etc. We talk through our problems together. Children and teenagers are the centre point of our playful communication. Mothers are supported by the community. We are all artistically active: writing, drawing, music, photography... Art helps with coming to terms with reality and with personal development. Our role model: a jazz band connected by shared swing and individual solos.

😊 ensues upon personal encounter

Dragon's Place Dirk Van der Auwera & Christine Krol,

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📅 2003 🌳 8 ha (near Olivera do Hospital) 🏠 60 % 👤2

- 🗨️ Dutch, e, +/- Portuguese
- 👤 depends on the responsibility (natural hierarchy and responsibility)
- 🔄 shared economy
- 🏠 Celtic
- 🖥️ farming, technical assistance, sustainable energy
- 🔄 ecological, self-managed, anarchistic, hierarchical, spiritual, sexuality, environmental protection, self-sufficiency, permaculture, organic agriculture, organic gardening, organic farming, forestry, alternative energy, new technologies, ecological construction, humour, non smoking, music

♻️ 9 🧑 all

🔑 property (4 ha) of Dirk and Christine



Dragon's Place is an old Celtic place in a beautiful natural area in mid Portugal - where everybody is welcome, especially all those who wish to learn about the new Celtic view, and put into practice the harmonious integration of landscape and people providing their own food, energy, shelter, and other material and non-material needs in a sustainable

way. In fact, it is an update on the ideas of Permaculture set out by Bill Mollison.

On our quinta, we grow our own food together with local traditional and some biological farmers in order to learn from each other. There are fruit trees, a terraced vineyard for making our own wine and large areas of woodland with goats who help to keep it clean. When we arrived in 2003 there was only a wild area, a jungle. For over 30 years no one had done anything. There are several sources for water, and ingenious distribution networks deliver the water to where it is required.



On some terraces we cultivate vegetables and we demonstrate special water saving irrigation systems. Of the three stone buildings on the property, we have restored one already, and one of the others is planned.

We have a lot of experience in all kinds of energy solutions. We will share knowledge and technical capacities. We do this worldwide and in lots of sustainable projects (recently Portugal and Africa).

Will you join us? Don't stay on your isle!

- 🌐 a group of small projects and companies in sustainable projects and production
- 😊 60 % compatible

La Belle Verte

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🌐 www.la-belle-verte.weebly.com

📅 2011 🏠 2 ha (near Monchique) 📊 10-30 % ♀1 ♂1 🍷3 👥5

🗨️ f, g, Portuguese, e

♻️ 2 🗑️ 2

👥 all concerned together (consensus)

💰 individual financing, either common or individual

🔑 shared

🎬 the project values are inspired by the French movie „La Belle Verte“ by Coline Serreau.

🌱 different construction activities: mainly earth buildings in different techniques, landscaping, fruit trees and vegetable garden, beekeeping, home-schooling of the children, cooking and housekeeping

🌀 ecological, self-managed, non-violent, inner growth, organic diet, vegetarian diet, pedagogical, environmental protection, self-sufficiency, permaculture, organic agriculture, organic gardening, organic farming, alternative energy, ecological construction, no cell phones/wireless, non smoking, voluntary simplicity, emotional authenticity, sensitive view on addictions, consistent ecology, practical solidarity, sustainable lifestyle

😊 🙌🙌

La Belle Verte is a beautiful place, located 500 m high in the mountains Serra de Monchique of Southern Portugal, 45 minutes drive from Faro Airport in the Algarve.

Our land is nestled within a gorgeous rural and secluded valley. We are a family of 2

adults (German and French) and our 3 children.

We have a natural spring water river flowing through our land on its meandering journey to the Atlantic Ocean. We grow as much of our own food as we can and have our own solar power plan for electricity and water for aqua-showers. We are seeking a self-sustainable environment that will also appeal to like-minded humans of all ages and both genders to come and join us.

We offer you the chance to come here and also feel nature and the real earth with us. You can stay as long or as short as you "feel" it with us we are humane, welcoming and authentic. We have a simple philosophy here: Be Real ... Be You ... and Live.

→ See also description of network „**WWOOF**“

- 🌐 Transition Town movement Monchique
- 😊 try-out periods, no particular financial requirements

ParadiesInselFamilie/-System P.I.F. Reinhold Schweikert

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📅 1990

🌳 2 ha (near Portalegre)

👤 <100 %

♀0 ♂4

👨 6

👥 10

🗣 g, e, sp, Portuguese

👤 all

👤 all, if consensus doesn't work, the father (consensus)

👤 joint financing, familiar economics - private association

🔑 family property

🌿 vegetarian raw food, natural Christianity, eco-/organic, selfsupplying. Aim:: Human return into garden-paradise = „golden age“

🌐 self-sufficiency, livestock, paradise-gardening/farming, life-schooling, publications

🌿 ecological, self-managed, non-violent, hierarchical, leader/guru, Christian, organic diet, vegetarian diet, adult education, pedagogical, free school, peace-work, one-world development, animal protection, environmental protection, self-sufficiency, permaculture, organic agriculture, organic gardening, organic farming, animal friendly husbandry, alternative energy, new technologies, ecological construction, non smoking, nature school, raw food simple buildings, paradies garden art, education, natural therapy, drug/cook/meat-free zone

😊 🙌

The idea behind the Paradise Island System (PI -System) is to bring people back to a more meaningful natural life and work. To help them be able to change their decadent "modern" lifestyles and initiate the return to their abandoned garden paradises. We try to start this urgently necessary transition by the transfer of knowledge in theory and practice, and by cleaning up the false media-induced visions and practices, misconceptions, false ideologies, and other obstacles of all kinds.

We are not really fitting into the usual list of similar so-called communities - in fact our P.I.-Family is a community with a family nucleus and we prefer small, well harmonised groups. Nevertheless, we also accept different people who are interested in returning to nature and creating: Preparation/training/lifeschooling, therapy/wellness/regeneration, beautyfarming, cooperation, all kinds of sharing, plus other P.I.-System projects such as natural living and eating communities, private associations, natural women's group, or-

ganic food producer corporation, therapy island, eco-park, ecovillage and even a „city“ can be P.I.-System-coached and initiated as soon as there are sufficient willing active participants and partners.

- ☺ ecological orientation, raw food, aptitudes and affections to live in and from the garden(-paradise/Eden), short visits (1st day) free, with longer stays: share of maintenance and structural costs, details see blog

Quinta Alvorada do Ouro Umbria

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🌐 www.facebook.com/groups/alvoradadoouro/?fref=ts

📅 2009

7500 m² (near Tavira, Faro)

♀2 ♂2 ♋0 🧑4

- 🗣 e, Dutch, f, Portuguese 👤4
- 👥 all who are concerned (majority vote and/or consensus)
- 💰 individual financing (for the beginning) 👤 single owner
- 🧘 meditation, conscious living, permaculture, sustainable building, art, music & healing...
- 🌱 ecological, self-managed, non-violent, pedagogical, seminar-house, peace-work, one-world development, spiritual, Buddhist, inner growth, meditation, yoga, tantra, anthroposophic, organic diet, vegetarian diet, environmental protection, self-sufficiency, permaculture, organic gardening, alternative energy, new technologies, ecological construction, adult training, vegan raw food, lots of love and humor



Quinta Alvorada de Ouro offers a space in pristine nature, where city people (alongside others) can mentally and physically relax and detox – where everyone can enter a realm of supported healing and open themselves to the present consciousness behind the chattering streams of thought. Withdraw into tranquillity or participate in community projects. There's a lot to DO, alongside BEING (in awareness): Permaculture-vegetable-garden, solar building projects, cooking and non-cooking, food and herb processing, house building. There is space for 12 people at any given time, long- and short-term visitors, brothers and sisters, children young and old. You can run workshops on a myriad of subjects... wide and open opportunities to express our hearts' desires... music, dance, art – all forms of expression! A learning field for living and breathing in harmonious unity.

🌐 www.gaia.com

- ☺ sharing our vision, no tobacco- or alcohol-drugs in the area - we get high from loving each other!



Tamera Healing Biotope 1

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💻 www.tamera.org

📅 1995

🌳 134 ha (near Portugal, Odemira)

👤 40 %

♀ 70 ♂ 60 🧑 20

👥 150

🗣️ g, e, Portuguese

♻️ all permanent members 🏠 all

👤 the responsible members (consensus)

👤 communal economy

🔑 property of two associations whose members are the community members

🌱 ecologically and socially sustainable, truth in love, transparency in community

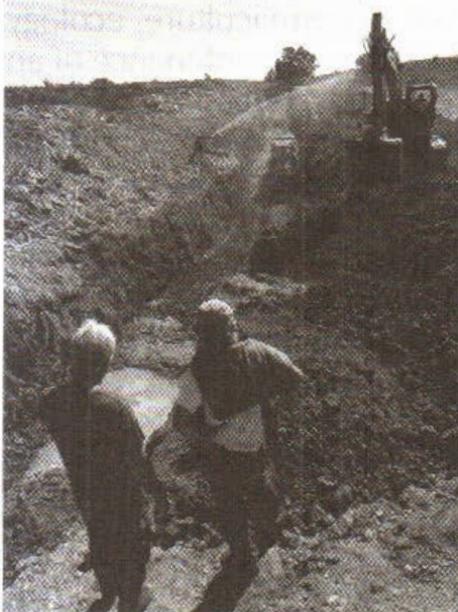
👤 building a sustainable village, ecological regeneration, peace school Terra Nova, spiritual research, art, political network

👤 ecological, self-managed, left-wing political understanding, non-violent, spiritual, inner growth, sexuality, free love, organic diet, vegetarian diet, vegan diet, adult education, pedagogical, free school, seminar-house, peace-work, animal protection, environmental protection, self-sufficiency, permaculture, organic gardening, forestry, alternative energy, new technologies, ecological construction, humour, our skilled worker's group has vacancies for: translators (engl., port.), computer / IT, electricians, plumbers, carpenters, car mechanics and others. Please ask.



The „Healing Biotope 1 Tamera“ in Southern Portugal is an international training and experimental site for the development of Peace Research Villages and Healing Biotopes worldwide. Approximately 150 people live, work and study in Tamera. Tamera's aim is to develop an example of a model for a nonviolent co-existence of people and between people and nature. The main tasks of Tamera are: the peace training of young people within the Terra Nova School, the building of an autonomous village called „Solar Village“ which produces its own food and solar energy, and global networking under the name of GRACE.

In 1995, Tamera was founded by the sociologist and psychoanalyst Dieter Duhm, the theologian and peace ambassador Sabine Lichtenfels and the physicist and musician Charly Rainer Ehrenpreis.



On a site comprising of 332 acres more than 20,000 trees were planted, houses and workshops built, gardens based on principles of permaculture and experimental biotopes were created.

Tamera started a training programme for adolescents and young adults and a community of people with different professions and from different age groups.

People who are interested are welcome to participate in the annual Summer University and numerous seminars and courses.

→ See also description of network „**GEN Europe**“

- 🌐 Holon, Green Phoenix, URI, Global Campus, Terra Nova school
- 😊 study and participation in the basic semester, agreement with main goals of research project, work contribution, taking financial co-responsibility

Terramada

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💻 terramada.com

🏡 8 ha (near Castro Marim) 🏠 70 % ♀3 ♂2 ♀2 👤7

- 🔍 Portuguese, f, e, sp 🧑4
- 🗣️ the whole group (consensus) 🏛️ limited common financing
- 🔑 property of two members
- 🌱 permaculture, educational, transition
- 🔗 ecological, self-managed, adult education, seminar-house, self-sufficiency, permaculture, organic agriculture, alternative energy, ecological construction

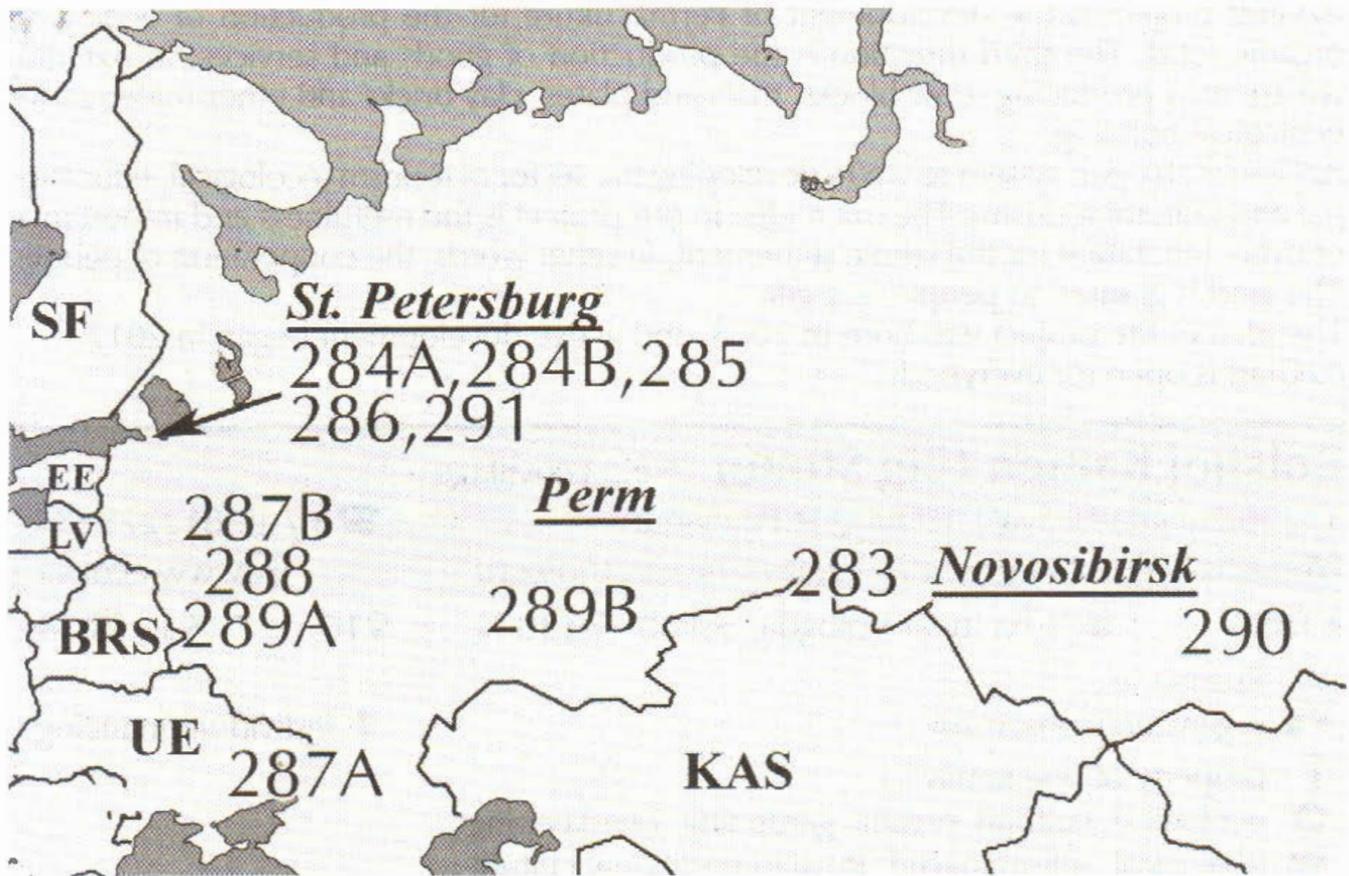


The “Terramada” permaculture association works towards the sustainable development of human kind, our environment and the planet. We respect the basic permaculture principle: “like nature” and “for nature”. Terramada lies in the Beliche Nature Reserve, in the Barrocal Algarvio area, where desertification of ground and man is advancing in big strides. We began in this context, in order to help with the resolution of this problem. The basis of this is permaculture. It stimulates environmentally friendly handling of the Earth and a harmonious togetherness of all elements of the ecosystem. We support environmental education and in groups we implement activities in the areas of permaculture, ecology and sustainability. Points to emphasise: reforestation, cultivation and maintenance of an ecological permaculture garden, the use of renewable energies, the reduction and re-use of rubbish and waste materials (by composting, worm cultivation, construction). Terramada is on its way to becoming an ecovillage. Here in the desert-like hilly region, close to a beautiful lake, we have reforested the property, in order to create a small oasis. We have developed many activities for permaculture and sustainability and we maintain them. At present we are concentrating particularly on ecological building and are creating more and better infrastructures, in order to welcome people and to optimise the communal spaces. We are currently open to new members.

→ See also description of network „**GEN Europe**“

- 🌐 Local Association Transition
- 😊 ideological

Russian Federation



Russian Federation



AzGrad - New Russian Village Novaja russkaja derevnja

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🌐 www.azgrad.ru

📅 2012

📍 (near Omsk) 🏠 50 %

♀ 28 ♂ 25 👶 5 👨‍👩‍👧‍👦 58

♻️ 15 🛠️ 38

🗣️ e, Russian

👥 a group of 12 people (consensus)

💰 individual financing

🔑 property of each family

🌿 agriculture, animal husbandry, beekeeping, workmanship, education, production of ecological organic food

🔄 ecological, self-managed, adult education, pedagogical, seminar-house, environmental protection, self-sufficiency, permaculture, organic agriculture, organic gardening, organic farming, animal friendly husbandry, alternative energy, ecological construction, workmanship: pottery, woodwork, straw production; education: kindergartens, school, Academy of Knowledge, Abilities and Skill; health and sports: herbalism, gymkhana



The new Russian village AzGrad is created as an example of the communion of people and nature. The project was realized by the Austrian architect Jens Kalkhof, under the guidance of Sepp Holzer (Austria).

The main source of development of the project is the education system, which today works as the Academy of Knowledge, Abilities and Skills. It includes kindergartens, schools, trade schools, institutes and scientific laboratories. The second direction of the AzGrad project is the development of Permaculture for the production of ecological organic food. The third direction is the production of goods and services. In AzGrad, we are now producing straw blocks, mats and plates, clay bricks and other materials for ecological building.

AzGrad is an open system so we're developing the sector of tourism (ecological, educational and cultural tourism). The main idea in our project is the usefulness and importance of every inhabitant for the whole settlement, in other words, the cooperation of people. The land is granted to people as a gift.

The idea of the project was born in 2008, and active development began in 2012. AzGrad is open for everybody!

Bolshoj Kamen (Big Stone) „Net“ Ecovillage

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1998

1 ha (near Vologda, Sokol) 30 %

♀10 ♂7 ♀1 18

Russian, e

organizers (consensus)

individual financing

property of one family

ecological, cultural, organic gardening, bee-keeping

ecological, self-managed, Russian traditional culture



Our community comprises of one family living on the place, and other members who are „seasonal“ residents, coming regularly to the village to conduct and participate at the seminars - Sun celebrations. To become a member one should come regularly for celebrations and take responsibility for the promotion of ecological values at the place of his or her living.

→ See also description of networks „**REEN (Russian Ecovillage Network), Ecovillage Road (Baltic Ecovillages)**“

☺ eco-friendly life and promotion of environmental values

Camphill Village Svetlana

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1992

57 ha (near St. Petersburg) 50 %

♀15 ♂17 ♀5 37

all

one part of the group (consensus)

shared economy (shared income and capital)

Karl-König Trust in Petersburg

anthroposophy, social therapy as developed by Karl König

farm, garden, household, crafts, biodynamic agriculture

☞ ecological, self-managed, Christian, anthroposophic, organic diet, mentally/psychologically handicapped persons, self-sufficiency, organic agriculture, organic gardening, organic farming, alternative energy, new technologies, ecological construction, biol./ species appropriate animal housing, wood work, dolls, felting



Svetlana Village was founded by a Russian "pioneer family" with the support of a large Camphill community in Norway. The large piece of fertile land, located along a bend of the River Syass, was empty except for some meadowland - since then a lot of work has been invested. Four large houses and a farm with cows, goats, sheep and chickens have been built, a well with plenty of fresh water was dug, and a large garden was planted. The first handicapped person, or "resident", arrived before the well. He and his mother knocked on the door and asked whether he could live here. The village life which we lead is entirely different from the prison-like institutions in which the patients are given nothing besides drugs to keep them quiet. Many people come to us from all over for different lengths of time. Visitors quickly find themselves integrated into important work, help in the family kitchens where we cook and make cheese, or work with the animals on the farm, drive the tractors or dedicate themselves to a construction site. Building any village is exciting - this special place in Russia gives the whole project additional unique and fulfilling dimensions. A place which was once a part of a giant Soviet collective - which still bears the scars of monstrous machines - is once again being worked by human beings and is giving life to a small human community.

→ See also description of network „Camphill“

☺ desire to work alongside handicapped adults



Ecovillage Grishino P.O. BOX 32

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🌐 www.grishino.org

📅 1993

🌳 8 ha (near Podporozhye)

♀4 ♂6 ♀2 👤12

🗣 Russian, e

👤 all

🗳 one part of the group (consensus)

💰 limited community financing

🔑 property of individual community members

👤 spiritual workshops, garden, construction

☞ ecological, self-managed, non-violent, spiritual, inner growth, meditation, organic diet, vegetarian diet, seminar-house, peace-work, environmental protection, organic agriculture, organic gardening



In the North West of Russia, in the historic village of Grishino (300 km North East of St. Petersburg), at the confluence of two rivers, we have lived in and built up an ecological village for over ten years. We came here from different cities to live on the land in harmony with each other and with nature. We all have different world-conceptions, but we are learning to accept each other and to co-create our community in common.

Twelve of us live in Grishino all year round. We have several traditional Russian-style community and private houses. We grow what we eat in our vegetable gardens, and

gather lots of herbs from a large meadow of wildflowers. Our ecovillage is surrounded by natural forests, where we gather berries and mushrooms, and in which there live many kinds of wild birds and animals, like beavers, moose, bears, hares, foxes, wolves, wildcats and many others. We are starting a project on ecological forest management. We aim to continue the cultural traditions of our ancestors, learning the folk arts, their songs and dances, woodcraft, ceramics and village architecture; and we are endeavouring to create a family school for our children. Each summer we hold seminars for adults and children where one can participate in the spiritual life and work of our community and merge with the spirit of Russian nature.

→ See also description of networks „GEN Europe, Ecovillage Road (Baltic Ecovillages), REEN (Russian Ecovillage Network)“

EcoVillage Yasnoe

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🌐 www.YASNOE.info, www.vk.com/ecoyasnoe

📅 2007

🌳 35 ha (near St. Petersburg)

🏠 20 %

♀ 8

♂ 8

👶 4

👥 20

🗣️ e, Russian

👤 all who live here permanently (consensus)

💰 limited common financing

🔑 ownership and other forms

🌿 ecology, space of love

🌱 permaculture, milk farm

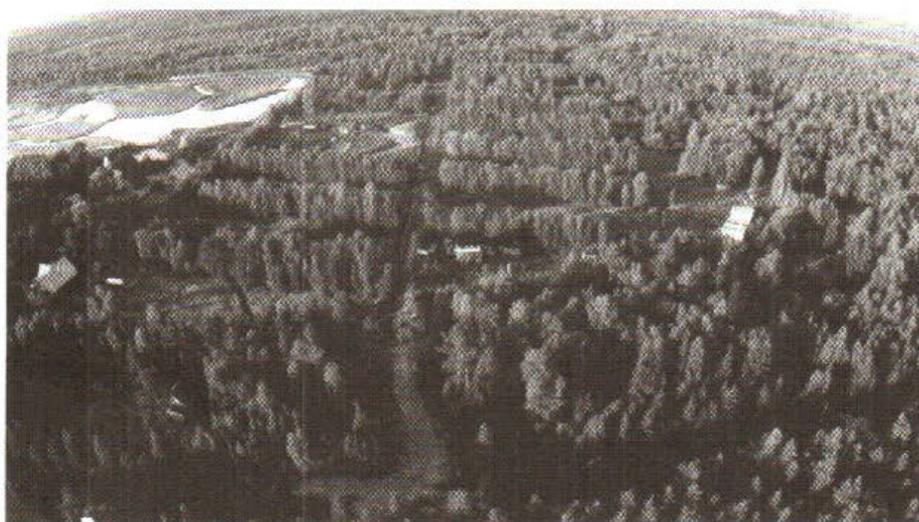
🔗 ecological, self-managed, non-violent, adult education, seminar-house, animal protection, environmental protection, permaculture, organic agriculture, animal friendly husbandry, new technologies, ecological construction, humour, non smoking, cows, fly, art, music, stove



We are looking for practical ways of co-creation and harmonious life on Earth. Our settlement is in the Vyborg district of the Leningrad region, 100 km from St. Petersburg. There is a cow dairy farm and an apiary for our beekeeping. We welcome all creative guests! We welcome new neighbours and families, who are ready to live in nature.

→ See also description of networks

„REEN (Russian Ecovillage Network), Ecovillage Road (Baltic Ecovillages)“



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2004

(near Rostov-on-Don)

♀5 ♂5 ♀2 10

ecological, self-managed, environmental protection, permaculture, organic agriculture, organic gardening, organic farming



More than 50 families plan to live in Edinstvo ecovillage, and many new people are interested. It is located in the Kagalnikskiy district of Rostov Region. Every family will have their own 0.8 – 1.2ha of land for making family estates. Most of the settlers are from Rostov-on-Don and the Rostov Region of Russia.

It is probably the most promising ecovillage in Rostov Region. There is very good humus soil, good transportation and some very nice places nearby.

Five ecosettlers live in Edinstvo (2013) and spent the winter there, others sometimes come from Rostov-on-Don and plan to settle in the future. Now three cob houses are being built in Edinstvo.

Hospitable House in the Forest

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2008

0.5 ha (near Gus-Hrustalnyj) 15 %

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Russian, e

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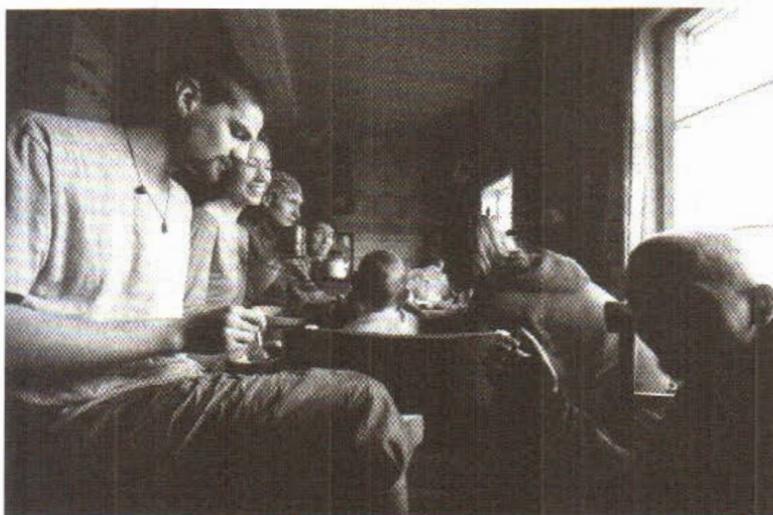
one person (after consulting the permanent members)

property of one member

healthy lifestyle, internationalism, humanistic values

gathering

ecological, self-managed, ecumenical, vegetarian diet, adult education, seminar-house, permaculture, organic agriculture, organic gardening, forestry, alternative energy, ecological construction, non smoking, nature, forest, mushrooms, berries, herbs



The „Hospitable House in the Forest“ was established as a free space for long-term inhabitants and short-term guests. The main idea is to develop a healthy community of friendly people with positive core values (ecological, healthy lifestyle, openness, self-development). This is a place for spiritual, psychological and physical recovery and development through contact with nature, fresh food, simple life and temporal relative isolation from the

outer world. It was also planned as a resource spot, a meeting point which hosts various small-scale training events, programmes, exchanges of knowledge as well as putting some of them into life. This place is good for open-air sport activities and for picking gifts of nature such as mushrooms, berries, wild herbs, etc.

We are not a living community yet. The house is usually open/inhabited between May and October. Eventually, we are going to turn ourselves into a small-scale living ecological community. The house is situated in the low-populated area of Central Russia, just 220 km to the East from Moscow in a tiny village surrounded by pine forests.

The house is open for guests FOR FREE. But note that it is a total non-smoking, alcohol- and drugs-free zone.

Please, feel free to contact and ask questions.

→ See also description of network „**Ecovillage Road (Baltic Ecovillages)**“

☺ no smoking, no alcohol, not any drug addictions

Kitezh Children's Community

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📅 1992

🏡 100 ha (near Kaluga)

♀13 ♂13

💰39

👤65

👤 all

🗳 everyone in common (consensus) 🏠 shared economy (shared income and capital)

🔑 common property

🎓 pedagogy, school

🌿 ecological, self-managed, spiritual, pedagogical, self-sufficiency, ecological construction, orphans

☺ 🙌

Kitezh Children's Community in Kaluga Region, Russia is a unique example of family-based care and education for orphaned and homeless children in a rural ecovillage community. The families adopt children, raise them together and educate them in the Kitezh school. Therapeutic Education is the main focus at Kitezh. With this experience of secure family and community life the children can recover from the trauma of earlier years to become open, loving, valuable and contributing members of society. Despite harsh economic conditions, since 1992 this dedicated group has built two foster family villages, Kitezh and Orion, that accommodate 25 adults and 40 children. Over 100 children have benefitted from living at Kitezh since it began.

Self-sufficiency and an ecological lifestyle is consistent with traditional rural Russian values. Kitezh and Orion have natural biological waste water treatment plants and each village has a farm, where they grow vegetables and raise chickens, goats and cows.

Volunteers, professionals and students from all over the world come to help with building, working in the gardens, on the farm and with the children.

Ecologia Youth Trust, a Scottish charity based at the Findhorn Community in Scotland, has supported Kitezh Children's Community since it began, providing professional training, organizing a volunteers programme and youth exchanges with other ecovillages and raising funds to build both villages. For information contact Ecologia Youth Trust: www.ecologia.org.uk.

☺ interest in child care



Kovcheg

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🌐 www.eco-kovcheg.ru

📅 2001

🌳 120 ha (near Maloiaroslavets)

♀ 55-60

♂ 45-50

👤 60-65

👥 160-170

🗣️ Russian

🔄 ecological, self-managed, environmental protection, organic agriculture, organic gardening, forestry, ecological construction, non smoking



Our ecologically sound settlement is based on family owned land where each family owns one hectare of land to be kept in the family for generations. One hectare with woods, fruit trees, garden and a small pond can provide the family with all of life's necessities. By using long ignored methods of cultivating the earth and harvesting in the context of preserving the earth for future generations, this hectare of land will produce enough for the family's use with surplus. Besides agriculture, every community can develop crafts that can provide for the people's needs for manufactured goods. While usually people spend about 10 hours daily earning the money to buy two kilograms of food and for housing, a person can much more efficiently satisfy her needs and spend the tremendous resource of extra time exploring the arts, pursuing invention and on self improvement. With the use of "adobe" methods and/or timber, for example, a person can build for herself inexpensive and practical housing of much better quality than that built by modern methods.



Medvinka Centre for Natural Beekeeping and Eco-Agriculture

Kaluga region

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🌐 medvinka.ru/en

📅 2012

🌳 300 ha (near Yuchnov)

👤 50 %

♀ 3

♂ 4

👤 5

👥 12

🗣️ e, Russian

♻️ 11 🗑️ 11

👥 part of the group (consensus)

💰 individual financing, limited common financing

🏠 rented

🌍 creation of a world without war

🐝 beekeeping

🔄 ecological, self-managed, non-violent, hierarchical, inner growth, vegetarian diet, seminar-house, peace-work, animal protection, environmental protection, self-sufficiency, permaculture, organic agriculture, organic gardening, organic farming, ecological construction, non smoking, beekeeping



Medvinka Centre (med means honey in Russian) is a non-profit start-up project for ecological and sustainable living, launched in 2012.

Our Mission:

- Restoration of the European dark bee (*Apis mellifera mellifera*): our local race of honeybees
- Revival of natural beekeeping
- Creation of a volunteer education centre

- Testing and dissemination of eco-friendly technologies
- Promotion of sustainable living and a healthy lifestyle

→ See also description of networks „**WWOOF, Ecovillage Road (Baltic Ecovillages), REEN (Russian Ecovillage Network)**“

☺ ideological

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🌐 www.oekopolis.info

📅 1992

🌳 250 km² (near Abakan) 🏠 90 %

👥 6000

🗣️ Russian, Bulgarian, g, e

👤 almost all

🗳️ all who are concerned (majority vote or consensus, depending on situation)

👤 individual & common financing, giving and sharing

🔑 30 villages: leased and/or common property depending on the village.

👤 the teachings of Vissarion unite us, but everybody is free to believe, so people of all demoninations are welcome

👤 farming, handicraft, construction, art, vegetable, fruit, horses, schools

👤 art of living together, inner growth, spiritual teacher Vissarion, some comprehension, all traditional crafts, upbringing and education of the children, independent schools with some Steiner elements, art and beauty, music, dance, singing, arts and crafts, horses, self-sufficiency, food from organic farming, permaculture, vegetarian, vegan, no alcohol or tobacco, non-violent, environmental protection, alternative energy, new technologies, ecological sound construction, strawbale houses, humour

☺ 🙌

The ecological-spiritual community Ecopolis Tiberkul was founded in 1992 by the spiritual teacher Vissarion. Today we are some 5,000 people who live in about 30 taiga villages 150 kilometres East of Abakan (Airport and Trans-Siberian Railway).

Usually each family lives in their own house, simply and close to nature. Every house has a large garden, big enough to allow living from our own crops. We live in an unspoilt part of the taiga and draw our drinking water from rivers and wells. During the hot months in summer from May to September, with temperatures often higher than 40°C, every family grows their own supply of food for the whole year.

In winter we devote ourselves to handicrafts, arts and crafts, music, dance, theatre. Throughout the year we celebrate colourful festivals.

Our diet is vegetarian or vegan. Drugs including alcohol and tobacco are not consumed. Love towards others is of greatest importance. We often meet to communicate and to clear up difficulties and disagreements, thus developing the art of living together.

We are trying to achieve: production by handicraft of everything needed for living, self-sufficiency, minimal purchasing of products, considerate treatment of the environment, minimal use of machines. We will assist you in organising travel to the community. Everybody is invited to come and see.

☺ just interest in our lifestyle

Shiram

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☎ +7-921-996-00-03

🌐 www.shiram.daism.ru

📅 2004

🏡 10 ha (near Torghok) 🏠 15 %

♀5 ♂3 👤8

🗺 Russian, e

♻ all 🏠 all

🗣 who are concerned (depends on the question)

👤 individual and common

🔑 property of one member

🗣 yes, self-actualization

🧘 personal growth, self-actualization, communication, meditation

🌀 spiritual, esoteric/New Age, inner growth, meditation, one-world development, humour, enlightenment, self-development, new worldview, daism



Shiram is a community of people in Russia, united by the idea of deep self-exploration. Shi, which means in Russian Game Masters School, reflects our focus on using Games for the transcendence of human beings. Ram comes from ashram.

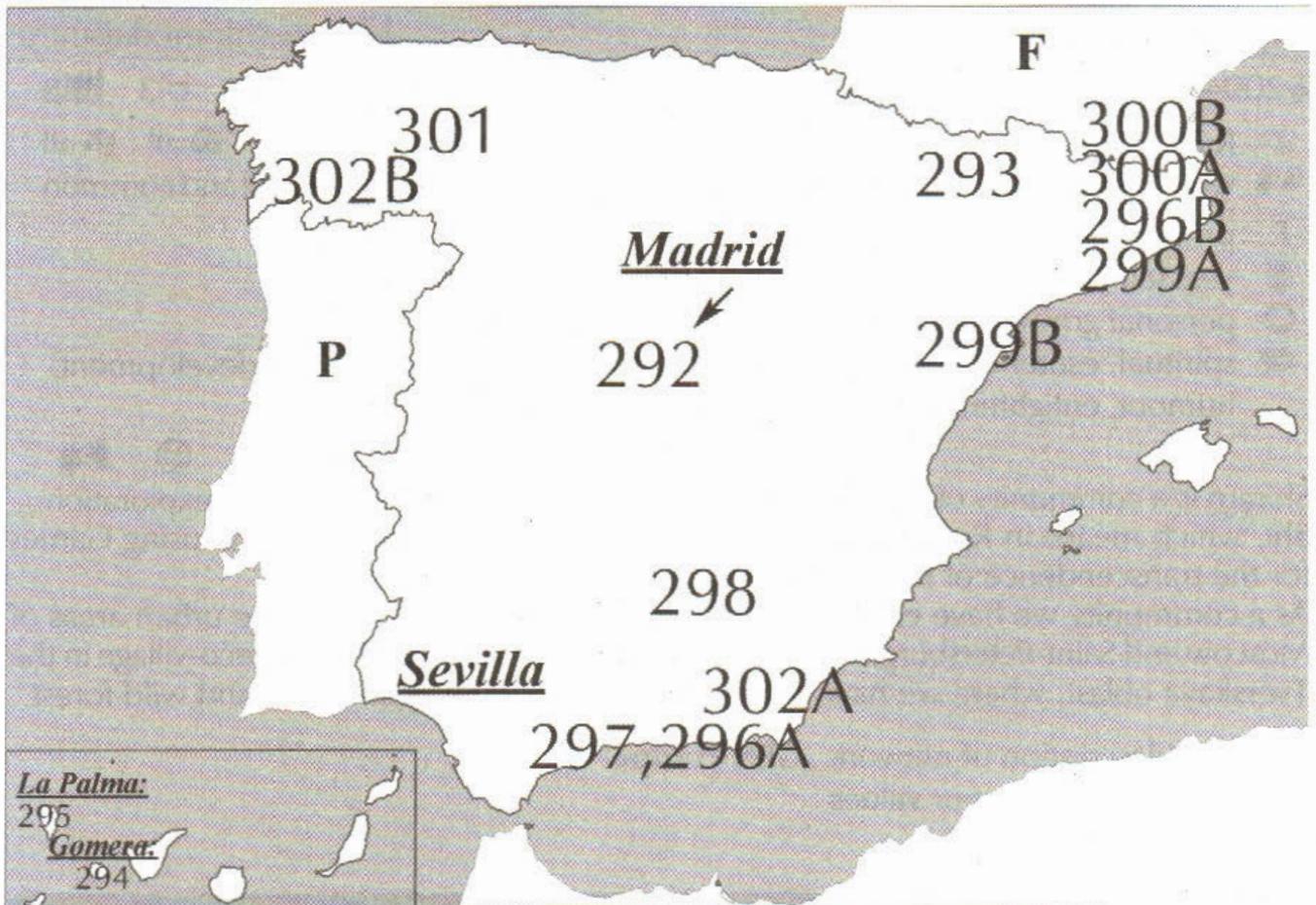
As a community we have existed since 1990, and we have places in the urban areas of Moscow and Saint-Petersburg, and from 2007 we have been building our eco-village in the Tverskaya oblast, where we have a beautiful piece of land near a river and wild forest.

➔ See also description of network „GEN Europe“

😊 first of all: sharing our values



Spain



8th Life EcoVillage Project

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🌐 www.8thLife.net

👤 2001 🌳 1.5 ha (near Puntagorda) 🏠 80% ♀1 ♂1 👤2

🔍 e, i, sp, Japanese ♻️ 2 🧑 2

👤 all who are concerned (flexibly, depending on situation)

👤 individual income from eco businesses

🔑 property of foundation with shared use by members

🌱 integral permaculture

🌍 integral permaculture design & education, sustainable living & food production

🌿 ecological, self-managed, feminist, spiritual, inner growth, organic diet, adult education, pedagogical, free school, peace-work, one-world development, animal protection, environmental protection, self-sufficiency, permaculture, organic farming, animal friendly husbandry, forestry, alternative energy, new technologies, ecological construction, humour, accessible to the disabled, non smoking, education: integral permaculture action learning



8thLife is a unique opportunity to invest in a healthy future: for you, for your family, for future generations & for all species.

We believe that stopping the destruction, working to build soil, restore ecosystems, heal our addictions, change organizational structures of the global economy & learn to live in community starting locally... are the most important & urgent jobs to be done.

If you are clear for yourself that supporting the transition of our destructive society to a sustainable world is your first priority, you will love this & we are looking for you.

You can find all the information about the EcoVillage Project, its goals & how it works, the site & infrastructure, the founder members & how to join, and how & when to visit, at www.8thLife.net

There you can also find the links to join the Facebook Group (where you can talk to us & ask any questions) and the Email List (to receive newsletters where you can see what we have been doing and how everything is going).

→ See also description of network „GEN Europe“

Intentional Communities Directory, local community, International Permaculture Academy, RC Community, Chaordic Permaculture Institute

studying integral permaculture course, becoming shareholder

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1996

280 ha (near Barbastro)

2 2 0 4

sp, e, Catalan, g, Portuguese, f

3

one person (consensus)

individual financing

property of individual community members + Fundación Pano

reconstruction, infrastructure, help in hostel

ecological, non-violent, spiritual, Christian, ecumenical, Buddhist, meditation, organic diet, vegetarian diet, environmental protection, organic gardening, forestry, alternative energy, new technologies, ecological construction, humour, music



The hamlet of Pano has been inhabited again since 1991 and is located at the foot of the Huesca Pyrenees. It belongs to Graus (13 km to the South) and is located near the famous Buddhist temple of Panillo. A simple hostel, producing natural full-grain bread, marmalade, herbs and other products provide us with a small income. Together we are making a sincere effort to achieve an integrated balance between the environment, nature and development.

We are looking for people who

- choose this lifestyle out of conviction,
- bring with them joy, endurance, energy and ideas for creative, constructive work and who are not afraid of a certain amount of hard labour,
- want to contribute their own qualities and experience,
- experience their environment as their own world and behave in a corresponding manner,

- consider such values as respect, openness, tolerance and the acceptance of the private sphere important, and feel responsible for their personal behaviour.

Every day we are working for 5 hours, Sundays off.

☺ no drugs, no smoking, Spanish language skills

Argayall Place of Light

Valle Gran Rey | 38870 La Gomera/Canary Islands

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🌐 www.argayall.com

📅 1986

🏠 1.5 ha (near Valle Gran Rey)

♀12 ♂8 ♀1 👥21

🗨️ g, e, sp.

👤 all

🗳️ one part of the group (majority vote)

🏠 members' investments, hotel and seminar centre

🔑 individual property

🧘 open spirituality

🍳 kitchen, laundry, rooms, gardens, technology & maintenance, plantation, reception, administration

🌀 self-managed, hierarchical, spiritual, inner growth, meditation, yoga, tantra, organic diet, vegetarian diet, seminar-house, permaculture, organic gardening, alternative energy, therapy: rebalancing, Esalen massage, Shiatsu, sound massage; HP: acupuncture & homeopathy

☺ 🙌

Argayall lies on a narrow bay, surrounded by cliffs. Our community can be pictured as a circle made up of three progressively larger circles. The central circle represents the core community: 12 people who call this place their home, who organise the hotel and seminar centre and who share the process of their personal spiritual growth with one another. The next circle expands into the living community (the "crew"): those who are only with us for a limited time and who help out in: kitchen, garden, plantation, office, laundry, caretaker service. Besides room and board, they above all are given the opportunity to gain personal experience.

The third circle draws the 25-30 alternating holiday and seminar guests into the community. They meditate, eat and celebrate with us, and treat themselves to (body-) therapy sessions.

We see ourselves as an openly spiritual community, in which everyone is "on their way" - some of us direct our gaze inwardly with a master, some without one. We see meditation as an aid to this and integrate it into our everyday lives.

Beyond the necessary qualifications in their respective fields, people who would like to work with us in the crew should above all have experience with self-responsibility, and bring with them team spirit, flexibility and some composure.

→ See also description of network „GEN Europe“

☺ qualification for free positions in our hotel and seminar centre

AUTarca Centre for Unfolding Ecological Life

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☎ +34-92249-0215

🌐 www.matricultura.org

📅 2007 🌳 2.5 ha (near Los Llanos de Aridane/La Palma) 🌿 90 % ♀ 2 ♂ 2 ♀ 2

👥 6

🗺️ g, e, f, sp, Swiss German

♻️ 4 🏠 4

👥 all of us together: including: Earth, fire, water, air, all living beings (consensus)

👤 economy of community: „not to grow not to go“, matriarchal subsistence farming, gift economy

🔑 property of some

👤 matriarchal values, eco-feminism, earth-democracy

🌳 reforestation with forest gardens, repair of water and mineral cycles, creation of humus and terra preta, conscious reintegration of wo&men into living nature, education: permaculture courses, permaculture for kids, visitor days

🌿 ecological, self-managed, feminist, non-violent, spiritual, inner growth, tantra, organic diet, vegetarian diet, vegan diet, adult education, animal protection, self-sufficiency, permaculture, organic agriculture, alternative energy, ecological construction, humour, no cell phones/wireless, non smoking, permaculture for children, permaculture, alternative healing methods for Mother Earth, integral landscape healing: retention ponds, biol.-dynamic and holistic energetic methods, wood garden systems, alternative bee keeping, body-oriented psychotherapy, bioenergetics, rebirthing, earth-spirituality, deep ecology, matriarchal values

😊 🙌

Matricultura© is an area of research for step-out-step-in-pioneers. The step-out-pioneer recognises the exponentially growing destruction of Mother Earth and the oppression of her creation as a consequence of the patriarchal-characterised world view and therefore she steps out deliberately. The step-in-pioneer puts life in the centre of her work and her activities. She encourages vividness with heart and creativity, the joy and the health for all beings; she feels that she is part of the whole, part of Mother Earth. The step-in-pioneer walks the path towards life-centred livelihood focused on the origin, creates powerful visions of a healthy Mother Earth and assumes full responsibility for his actions. To become more uncompromising and more life loving there are changes to plan and to realise in all areas of life. Important areas of research on Autarca-Matricultura are: critics of the patriarchal world view and rediscovery of matriarchal values: equality, justice and peace. Important areas of practice are: strategies for reforestation, pioneer plants and their roots, patterns of nature, swales, creating edible forests, humus, retention tanks, biodiversity, bioclimatic housing and bio-construction, self-sufficiency, pyrolysis and terra preta, wastewater treatment, worm farming, seed saving, healthy bees, solar cookers, urban gardening, creating biodynamic manure, water and mineral cycles, integration of animals, nutrition and education, peaceful, matriarchal and gift economies, contentment and creative living for all.

➔ See also description of network „GEN Europe“

🌐 local networks, Reforesto

😊 put life in the centre of activity and put own life in service of Mother Earth

BIO-SOL

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📅 1992

🏠 10 ha (near Motril, Lujar)

♀2 ♂1 👤3-7

❓ sp, e

♻️ 7 🗑️ 2

👤 part of the group

🔑 property of one member

👤 Christian, more or less

👤 eco-building, dogs, cats, horses

👤 ecological, self-managed, non-violent, Christian, organic diet, adult education, free school, animal protection, environmental protection, self-sufficiency, organic agriculture, organic gardening, forestry, ecological construction



Bio-Sol has sent no current self-description.

Cal Cases

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🌐 www.calcases.info

📅 2007

🏠 20 ha (near Manresa) 🗑️ 15 %

♀10 ♂11 ♀11 👤32

❓ Catalan, sp, e, f, g

♻️ 3 🗑️ all

👤 assembly („consensus“)

👤 limited common financing (house, energy, food, tools, work ... common needs) in hours worked

🔑 cooperative (property of all)

👤 assemblism, anti-capitalist, feminist, ecologist

👤 bioconstruction, wood, agroecology, artisan food products, political anti-system activism

👤 ecological, self-managed, anarchistic, left-wing political understanding, feminist, non-violent, organic diet, vegetarian diet, environmental protection, self-sufficiency, organic agriculture, organic gardening, organic farming, forestry, alternative energy, ecological construction



Cal Cases is, among other things, a life project of a group of people who want to bring into practice a different way of life than the prevailing model, and to convey those experiences to others.

Cal Cases is a proposal for housing beyond the home itself. It wants to be a model community dwelling beyond sharing only space; not just a place to live but a place where continuously everyday ways are continuously being transformed, despite the fact that the system says that things are unmoveable.

In Cal Cases we share common spaces like the community house, the kitchen, the dining room, the library, the workshop, the carpentry, the washers and outdoor multi-purpose

spaces. Each family has an intimate family space. We also share community work such as firewood, the eco-garden, cooking, maintenance of spaces and we try to be efficient with the resources.

We also share the co-education between the adults and the care of the children, and our system of taking decisions is the assembly. We participate in the political anti-system movements with other related collectives.

Cal Cases was bought under the legal formula „cooperative transfer cession“ based on a Nordic model called „Andel“.

🌐 LETS, self-managed local collectives, neighbourhood association



El Morreon

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📅 1990 🌳 100 ha (near Orgiva) 🏠 90 % 🚗 20 👤 50 (Sommer) - 150 (Winter)

- 🔍 g, e, sp 🔄 it changes
- 🗣️ God (meetings strictly forbidden) 👤 great
- 🔑 ownership, rented and occupied places
- 🌐 multiculity
- 🎪 surviving, circus, theater, music, healing, alternative technology
- 🌱 ecological, self-managed, anarchistic, left-wing political understanding, feminist, non-violent, spiritual, Christian, Buddhist, Taoist, esoteric/New Age, chaotic, anthroposophic, inner growth, meditation, yoga, tantra, sexuality, free love, organic diet, vegetarian diet, vegan diet, macrobiotic diet, adult education, pedagogical, free school, peace-work, mentally/psychologically handicapped persons, animal protection, environmental protection, self-sufficiency, permaculture, organic agriculture, conventional agriculture, organic gardening, conventional gardening, organic farming, conventional farming, alternative energy, new technologies, ecological construction, humour, circus, music, handicraft, therapy, yurt and dome builder, solar energy and mobility, and other... People



We are living in a valley 3 km from Orgiva, which has been known for years as a Hippy village. People are living together in different forms and projects. There is no fixed structure or central organisation. Some of us have tap water from town, and there is solar electricity or generators. There are two rivers, one is dry in summer. Only some land is irrigable. There is an anthroposophic school close by.

😊 you should be able to take care of yourself.

El Pardal Vida Holistica

El Pardal - Lista de correos | 23300 Villacarrillo-Jaén ☎ +34-953128171 (7-10 pm)

✉ ecopardal@yahoo.es 🌐 www.facebook.com/groups/227559473966911

📅 1981 🌳 27 ha (near Villacarrillo - Ubeda - Granada) 📊 30-50 % ♀0 ♂3
👤0 👥3

🗣️ g, e, sp., f

👥 everyone in common (consensus)

🔑 property of individual community members

👤 all people are brothers in spirit and should work and learn to help one another

🐎 horses, goats, food production, reforestation, improvement of the premises

🌀 ecological, self-managed, left-wing political understanding, non-violent, spiritual, Christian, ecumenical, inner growth, meditation, yoga, organic diet, vegetarian diet, adult education, pedagogical, environmental protection, self-sufficiency, permaculture, organic gardening, organic farming, animal friendly husbandry, alternative energy, new technologies, ecological construction, humour, work with children from orphanage, deep massage, spiritual focussing, natural medicine, handicraft: construction and furniture, music instruments

👥 all present, usually 7-12

👛 limited community financing



Over the last 40 years I have been learning, practising and teaching many ways of holistic healing, above all through deep massage combined with energy & inner work.

The more than 100-year-old farmhouse is situated at 1500 m altitude and surrounded by nature. No neighbour nearer than one hour, the nearest villages are at a distance of 2-3 hrs walking or 1.5 hrs by car. We try to live as self-sufficiently as possible, with 4 wells on the land, sun, wind and soon water power, ecological cultivation of veggies, fruit and herbs, some animals, natural medicine and recycling/reusing what we can, respecting and adapting the ideas of permaculture. We are WWOOF members and mostly have between 3-7 helpers from all over the world, who stay for anything between a week and over a year.

We are open for more long-term members, which would enable me to put more emphasis on the aspects of healing and teaching inner work and deep massage, be it in seminars or individual work.

Also I have years of experience working with difficult kids or those who need time-out. So we are a community with changing members who share joy of life & work in a splendid setting. We'd like to have more long-term members.



→ See also description of network „**WWOOF**“

☺ good will and mutual understanding

Please note: eurotopia has received reports of visitors to El Pardal who claimed that it is in fact not a community, and that conditions were much harsher than expected. Our contacts to El Pardal say that they do consider themselves a community.

Please form your own opinion.

Els Isards

Saleta del Mas | 17403 St. Hilary Sacalm, Girona, Catalonia ☎ +34-660065957

📅 1979

🏠 30ha (near St. Hilary Sacalm)

♀3 ♂3 ♀1 👤7

🔍 g, f

♻️ nobody 🗑️ all

🗣️ all who are concerned (consensus)

🔑 property of one member

🌱 ecology

🐄 animal husbandry, self-sufficiency

🌀 ecological, self-managed, anarchistic, left-wing political understanding, organic diet, seminar-house, animal protection, environmental protection, self-sufficiency, organic agriculture, forestry, alternative energy, ecological construction

☺ 🙌

Els Isards has sent no current self-description.

Equilibre

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📅 1989

🏠 2.5 ha (near Amposta) 🐄 20 - 40 %

♀1 ♂0 ♀0 👤1

🔍 sp., e, g, Catalan

🗑️ varies

🔑 property

🌱 evolution

🐄 maintainance and improvement, animals, farming, general development

🌀 ecological, self-managed, non-violent, spiritual, esoteric/New Age, chaotic, inner growth, organic diet, vegetarian diet, pedagogical, peace-work, one-world development, animal protection, environmental protection, organic agriculture, animal friendly husbandry, ecological construction, horses

☺ 🙌

Equilibre started in 1989 with the aim to search for a natural alternative lifestyle on a small piece of land (between the Ebro delta and the mountains) and to build our own house. It has grown to 2.5 ha of land with varying landscapes. We are rebuilding an ex-rabbit farm (living and common rooms, workshops, stables etc.). There is (still!) plenty to do.

We have room to live, work and grow together; for people (particularly horse-lovers!) who would like to give themselves and realise dreams and utopias together (which isn't easy, but not impossible).

☺ trial period

Kanawen Ecovillage

Carretera de Pujarnol, km 4 | 17834 Porqueres

 welcome@kanawen.org

 www.kanawen.org

 2010

 180 ha (near Banyoles)

♀10 ♂10 ♀5  25

 sp, e, f

 5  15

 the appropriate working team (by consent (sociocracy))

 shared income

 KanAwen Foundation

 universal truth

 eco-political, eco-technical, economic, legal department, primary sector, handicraft, arts, education, therapy, spirituality, investigation and development

 ecological, self-managed, spiritual, inner growth, meditation, yoga, organic diet, adult education, pedagogical, free school, environmental protection, self-sufficiency, *permaculture*, *organic agriculture*, *forestry*, *alternative energy*, *new technologies*, ecological construction, humour, accessible to the disabled



The KanAwen ecovillage in the valley of Biert is an international project of building an alternative town in a valley located between Girona and Banyoles, in Catalonia, Spain. We want to promote a more conscious way of living in contact with nature, living in community, covering social, ecological and economical aspects, from the perspective of spiritual growth, both personally and collectively.

We are at the beginning of the project, building, creating and looking for more interested people. The starting group is growing and is welcoming more people with initiative and psychological maturity to create the solid ground necessary for this phase. There is a lot of information about the project in English on KanAwen's website. You can also email us at welcome@kanawen.org if you want to know more.

→ See also description of network „GEN Europe“

 Fellowship for Intentional Community

 see blueprint document at www.kanawen.org

La Base

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 2001

 1ha (near Figueras)  30 %

♀3 ♂3 ♀2  8

 sp, e, f, i

 mixed finances

 property of two members

 eco building, facilitation, creativity, spirituality

 non-violent, spiritual, inner growth, self-sufficiency, alternative energy, new technologies, ecological construction



Surrounded by vineyards and olive trees, La Base is a project that began in June 2001 with the purchase of a small private aerodrome near Figueres (North-East of Spain). Soon, we began to convert the hangar and mobile homes into a place for meeting, lodging,

and dissemination of alternative technologies, recycling etc. We offered introductory courses in strawbale construction and super adobe, because we were the first to build and inhabit a strawbale building in Spain.

We are about eight people involved in the project - plus extended family space to another community. The space is 1 ha of flat sandy ground. On the whole, we generate our energy (wind, solar) and have a small butane gas generator to pump water. We grow in a variety of methods on some terraces; lately we have been buzzing with EM (Effective Micro organisms).

We are open to visits and to new members.

Matavenero y Poibueno Pueblo Ecologico Europeo

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📅 1989

🏠 3000 ha (near Bembibre)

♀25 ♂25 ♀20 👥70

🗨️ g, sp., e

👥5

👥 everyone in common (consensus) 🗨️ limited community financing and individual

🔑 restored and administered as official community

🌱 organic gardening, wood gathering, preserving village centre, pedagogy, hospitality

🌿 ecological, self-managed, anarchistic, chaotic, inner growth, organic diet, pedagogical, free school, environmental protection, self-sufficiency (lots of sweet chestnuts), permaculture, organic agriculture, organic gardening, organic farming, alternative energy, ecological construction, drums, jewellery, wood, sewing, sports: pushing wheelbarrows up the hill and just the fact of living here!; working horses, music, painting, dance; fiestas, juggling, watching films, board games, village gossip, international, sweat lodge, solar power

😊 🙌

Matavenero and Poibueno are two sister villages at an altitude of ca. 1,000 m in the mountains of North Western Spain. Before our first "pioneers" arrived in 1989 the villages had been abandoned. Destroyed by a fire, a core of four buildings survived, which we repaired for the community's infrastructure (bakery, school, shop, alcohol-free bar, communal workshop, meeting and banquet hall, guest space). Settlement began in tepees and tents, then we built huts and wooden houses. We grew to 100 people from around 10 countries. It later declined and is now on the rise once more. The basic idea - partially influenced by the Rainbow Movement - is ecological living and working close to and in harmony with nature - close to and in co-operation with like-minded people - as well as the development of our own pedagogy. Since 1993 we have been formally recognised as a village with our own administration. We fund community projects such as the water system etc. from our shared purse. At the moment (2013), there's a co-op store, a school with a Spanish teacher, professional musicians, a political group, goat-keeping in Poibueno, 3 donkeys in Matavenero. Long-term guests are welcome. It's hard to earn money here and only a minimalist economy is possible (survival). Partly we live kind of neo-hippie-tribal-culture.

The village can only be reached on foot or on horseback. We generate electricity with solar collectors and grow our own organic vegetables. Thanks to birth-experienced women and

men, more than 50 children have been born here. We practice alternative medicine as much as possible (homeopathy, herbs, Bach flower remedies, raw vegetables and fruits, but also allopathic first aid etc.).

Best visit time is May-September. Spanish skills are desirable. Financial independence is necessary. Pioneer-spirit remains important.

→ See also description of network „RIE“

☺ at least a one-year stay + co-operation + acceptance by the council

Sunseed Desert Technology

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🌐 www.sunseed.org.uk

📅 1986

🌳 30 ha (near Almeria)

♀6 ♂6 ♀0 👤20

❓ e, sp.

👤 15-35

👥 trustees, staff (meeting of trustees; meetings of staff team)

💰 individual financing

🇬🇧 The Sunseed Trust (GB)

🔧 low tech solutions to climate change

👤 low impact education and training for young people

🌱 ecological, organic diet, vegetarian diet, self-sufficiency, permaculture, organic gardening, alternative energy, ecological construction, low impact, off-grid, appropriate technology

☺ 🙌

Sunseed Desert Technology is the Spanish Project of The Sunseed Trust. We live as a community of up to 35 people, 12 full-time staff members and short and long-term volunteers who stay for 2 weeks to one year and make a financial contribution of 90 - 120 Euros per week to cover their food and accommodation (the amount depends on length of stay).

Sunseed Desert Technology aims to develop, demonstrate and communicate accessible, low-tech solutions to climate change. We therefore live in a low impact, off-grid community, growing much of our own food, composting, reusing and recycling our waste as far as possible and making full use of solar energy and other appropriate technology.

Volunteers are welcome throughout the year and work in all our departments: appropriate technology, organic gardening, drylands management, sustainable living, eco-construction and communication & education. All members of the community share in the cooking and cleaning duties. For more information on joining us, please see our website or contact us.

☺ weekly donation for room and board: 90-120 Euros

Tanquián Finca Ecológica Tanquián

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🌐 tanquian.es

📅 1993

🌳 5.5 ha (near Monforte de Lemos)

🌱 60 %

♀1 ♂2 ♀1 👤4

❓ g, e, sp

♻️ 2 🙌 2

- ☹️ all who are concerned (it's easy we are still so few)
- 👤 individual financing, hopefully shared economy in the future
- 🔑 private property
- 🌱 no other than a strong desire to stop harming the planet
- 👤 self-sufficiency, veg, jam and juice production
- 🌿 ecological, self-managed, left-wing political understanding, yoga, organic diet, vegetarian diet, seminar-house, self-sufficiency, permaculture, organic agriculture, ecological construction



Tanquián is a project started in 1993 by Paul Baker and Emmely Föhring. The initial ideas were to bring up the 3 kids in contact with nature, becoming self-sufficient and living in community.

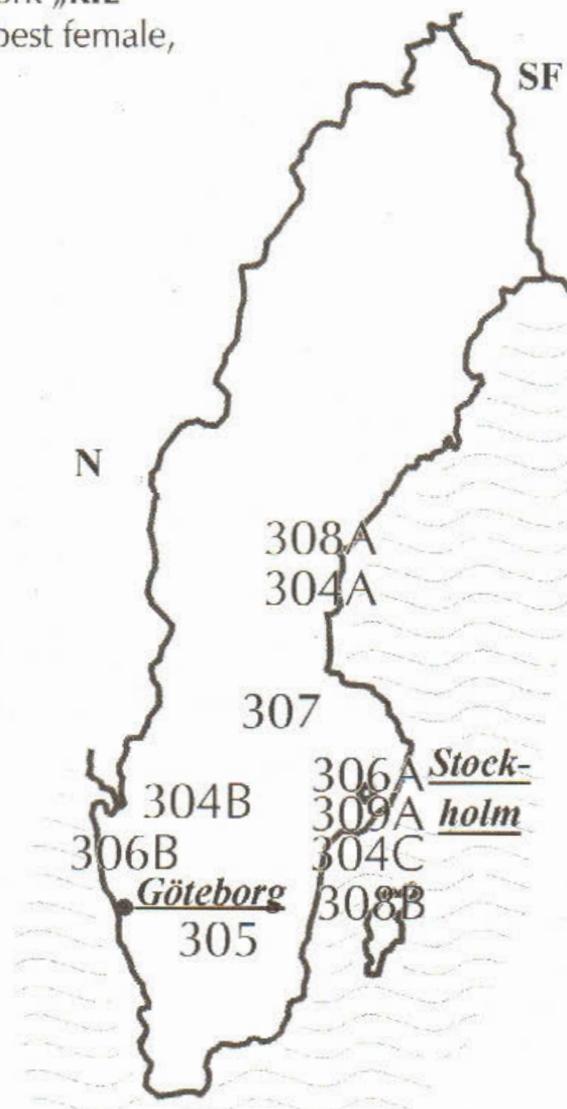
The farm is 5.5 ha big and holds a mix of woodland and meadows. Main crops are fruit trees and bushes and the big housegarden. In the past we kept all kind of animals, but right now only a horse and a donkey. Since 2008 we have run a conserve-kitchen, where we produce jams and juices of our own harvest.

During the years various families and many volunteers have lived with us. Right now we are looking for qualified members, especially handy wo/men and gardeners. We can offer food, lodging and share of profit.

→ See also description of network „RIE“

- ☺️ only skilled craftsperson, best female, or experienced gardener

Sweden



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📅 1991 🌳 (near Sundsvall) ♀4 ♂5 ♀0 👤9

- 🗳️ yearly meeting (consensus)
- 💰 individual financing and income from wood (forest)
- 🔑 common plot/private houses
- 🌱 ecological, organic gardening, organic farming, forestry, alternative energy, ecological construction

We started this ecological village for us 22 years ago and we still live here. All children had moved out, and now they are returning with their partners/children to develop the village further.

Solar cells are the newest investment and we are very satisfied with them. Even a new bakery house has been built from timber from our own forest.

🌐 Njord

 **Brf Ekobyn Mjölntorpet**
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📅 1995 🏠 (near Karlstad) ♀18 ♂17 ♀19 👤54

- 🗳️ Swedish, e, g, f
- 🗳️ all adults who live here (majority vote, generally) 🔑 property of all
- 🌱 ecological

We are an ecological village located in the outskirts of a medium-sized town in Sweden. The village was built in 1995. Altogether we are 18 households. Currently, we have no explicit goals of our community other than the fact that we try to live in an environmentally friendly way.

 **Charlottendals gård**
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📅 1995 🌳 35 ha (near Järna/Södertälje) 🏠 20 % ♀6 ♂5 ♀4 👤15

- 🗳️ Swedish, e, g, f, Estonian 👤 4
- 🗳️ mix of private and housing board (work on sociocracy) 🔑 private
- 🌱 farm, kindergarden
- 🌱 ecological, inner growth, yoga, environmental protection, organic agriculture, organic gardening, alternative energy



Charlottendals Farm in Järna is a small farming property on which we have built up an ecovillage with a total of six homes. The question we have asked is if and how it can be possible to use a farm, too small for normal agro business, to house more people and share the workload. We have, as far as possible, tried to environmentally adapt our residence with everything from compost toilets, solar heating combined with heat pumps and solar panels. The ecovillage contains 4 parts that are of interest:

First the Lilla Bullerbyns non-profit organisation: it is a kindergarten but also maintains the daily farm life with animals. Then the farm itself, being a private enterprise, supporting the Lilla Bullerbyn. Then, the BrF housing cooperative with altogether six apartments on the farm. Finally, we have a Transition Järna initiative connecting with and promoting ideas of permaculture and environmental education.

Based on the farm and its daily life, there are a lot of joint projects that can be done in cooperation.



→ See also description of network „**ERO/GEN Sweden**“

Transition network

Ecovillage Smeden

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1994 4800 m² (24 x 200 m²) (near Jönköping) ♀23 ♂23 ♀34 80

mainly property of one member

traditional vegetable gardening for a few inhabitants, hens and chickens

self-managed, organic gardening, alternative energy, ecological construction



Ecovillage initiative on ca. 4 ha now turned into individually owned homes for 24 households. Good and friendly living for both people and the environment.

☺ you have to buy a semi-detached house to live in the village.

Färdknäppen Kollektiv

Housing Project for People in the Second Half of the Life

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🌐 www.fardknappen.se

🏠 1993 🏠 3650 m² incl. 409 m² common spaces (near Stockholm) ♀39 ♂14

👤 0 👤 53

🗣️ Swedish, g, e, f, sp, Norwegian, Finnish 🏠 5

🗣️ all at common meetings five times a year (majority vote)

🏠 limited common financing 🏠 rented

👤 collaborative housing for people in the second half of life

👤 self-managed, adult education, humour, accessible to the disabled, non smoking, second half of life, self-administered groups for cooking and cleaning, culture, gardening



Färdknäppen is a community-owned apartment house located on Södermalm in Stockholm. Here we are developing a community in our daily lives that makes life easier and more fun when, as we grow older, the “togetherness” of family life and working life diminishes.

- We have cooking groups that prepare communal meals on weekdays.
- We take care of our house and garden ourselves.
- We learn from one another while carrying out our daily chores.
- We can help each other keep our spirits up if – or when – our strength declines.

🌐 Kollektivhus Nu

😊 being interested in collaborative housing

✿ Kampetorp ekoby

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🌐 www.kampetorp.se

🏠 1998 🏠 10 ha (near Tanumshede) 🏠 10 % ♀3 ♂3 👤 1 👤 7

🗣️ e, Swedish

🗣️ the members (meetings) 🏠 individual financing

🏠 guest or member

👤 living, organic farming, gardening

👤 ecological, self-managed, anarchistic, left-wing political understanding, feminist, non-violent, non-debt, cultural events



Kampetorp is a small farm in Bullaren, North of Bohuslän. The members build ecological houses, some made of wood, others of clay and straw. The property is not connected to the grid, electricity is mostly generated by solar panels and stored in batteries. In the winter we need additional electricity from a fossil fuel operated generator, but since all our appliances and lighting are extremely energy efficient, we only use a relatively small amount

of diesel. The buildings are heated with wood and solar water systems. The Kampetorp Ecovillage is managed by a trade association that has the goal of providing its members



with ecologically and socially sustainable housing at low cost. There are now four completed houses and a row of guest buildings and other outbuildings on the farm.

→ See also description of network „**Ecovillage Road (Baltic Ecovillages)**“

Kursgarden Lindsberg

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1979

1 ha (near Falun) <50 %

♀6 ♂4 ♀2 👤10

Swedish, sp, Portuguese, e, i

10

whole group (consensus and within working groups)

limited common financing, shared income

foundation

ecology, solidarity, self-sufficiency, self-reliance

conference house for groups that work along the statutes of the foundation; solidarity, self-reliance and resource conservation

ecological, self-managed, non-violent, vegetarian diet, seminar-house, environmental protection, self-sufficiency, permaculture, organic agriculture, organic gardening, alternative energy, new technologies, ecological construction

☺ 👤

The commune in Lindsberg runs an alternative conference house in naturally beautiful surroundings ca. 7 km from Falun. It was founded in 1979 by a group of enthusiasts who bought the building - previously a retirement and childrens home - from the city. Today it is debt-free: new members do not need to invest in it financially. The conference house has its origins in the environmental and peace movement, as well as in the solidarity and workers movement. We can now accommodate and provide for up to 50 guests.

We grow our own vegetables. Otherwise we buy Fair Trade and ecological products and cook only vegetarian food. We pay rent in order to cover food and heating costs but other costs are financed by activities. Most of us also work outside the commune.

The operations were laid down in 2004 but the current members of the commune started renovating the house one year ago and restarted the activities. Our goal is to be a place to discover and see possibilities and inspiration toward a better society. We work for social, ecological and economic sustainability and we exist for those groups whose aim is social change.

☺ ideological

Rumpans by

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📅 1968

🌳 18 ha (near Sundsvall)

♀ 25-40 ♂ 25-40 ♀ 40

👥 90-120

🗣️ e, Swedish

👤 3

🗳️ the whole village (consensus)

💰 individual financing

🔑 29 plots, owned by private persons

🌀 social activities, maintenance, new projects

🌱 ecological, self-managed, organic gardening, conventional gardening, animal friendly husbandry, forestry, alternative energy, ecological construction



Settlement on 18 ha, based on a social vision, individual holiday and dwelling houses belong to the individual families: small-scale waste water treatment, own well, own harbour with boathouses and a sauna, eco-cycle adapted infrastructure, windmill, firewood from our own forest, local sawmill.

Suderbyn Permaculture Ecovillage

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💻 suderbyn.se

📅 2008

🌳 5 ha (near Visby (7km)) 🏡 20 %

♀ 8 ♂ 6 ♀ 1 👥 15

🗣️ e, sp, f, g, Swedish, Dutch

♻️ 5 🧑 11

🗳️ community together, co-op board, NGO council (consensus)

🔑 property of all co-op members

💰 common financing

🌀 voluntary simplicity, permaculture

🌀 gardening, eco-building, training, outreach for ecovillage movement

🌱 ecological, self-managed, feminist, non-violent, inner growth, meditation, yoga, organic diet, vegetarian diet, adult education, pedagogical, seminar-house, peace-work, environmental protection, self-sufficiency, permaculture, organic gardening, organic farming, alternative energy, new technologies, ecological construction, transition and non-violence outreach



Since 2008 we have been building up a community and holistic ecovillage based on the principles of permaculture. We live as a collective with common vegetarian meals and most residents also work on location as employees or volunteers. Slowly we are developing our main property with a permaculture forest garden and educational centre, growing organic food and building housing for ourselves with local eco-materials. The property is on the Baltic Sea island of Gotland, just 2km from the sea. The ecovillage focuses on networking with other progressive organisations and networks locally, nationally and internationally. We are active in developing the ecovillage and transition movements, working for inter-cultural understanding and peace, and this has led to many projects that employ our residents. The community is international, has an average age under 30 and uses English as the main common language. Younger volunteers through SCI (Service

Civil International) and EVS (European Voluntary Service) are a reoccurring feature.

→ See also description of networks „**Ecovillage Road (Baltic Ecovillages), ERO/GEN Sweden, GEN Europe**“

🌐 GEN Baltic Sea, Transition Gotland, National Office of Service Civil International, Lets Do It!

😊 6 months trial period

Tullstugan Collective housing unit

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💻 tullstugan.weebly.com

📅 1994

🏠 100 m² (near Stockholm)

♀34 ♂16 ♀12 👤62

🗣 Swedish, e

🗣 all members at a general meeting (majority vote)

💰 individual financing

🔑 property of all

👥 common dinner, cultural activities, book club, social activities

🛠 self-managed



The aim of Tullstugan collective housing is to establish and maintain good housing for its members by using the common facilities of the collective housing for common dinners, cultural, social and other activities.

🌐 Kollektivhus.nu

😊 no more than a balance between age, gender and children

❄️ Vedapark

The Golden Village at the Hearth of Scandinavia

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📅 2008

🌳 45 ha (near Lund) 🗳 75 %

♻ 0 🗳 10

🗣 e, Scandinavian languages

🗣 all who are concerned, within the framework description (concensus)

💰 individual financing and limited common financing

🔑 individual or collective property

📖 the Veda - regarded as a Science of Consciousness

🛠 ecological, non-violent, spiritual, inner growth, meditation, yoga, organic diet, vegetarian diet, adult education, pedagogical, seminar-house, peace-work, one-world development, animal protection, environmental protection, self-sufficiency, permaculture, organic agriculture, organic gardening, animal friendly husbandry, forestry, alternative energy, new technologies, ecological construction, humour, no cell phones/wireless, non smoking, Veda, Vedic Science, Vastu houses, Sthapatya Veda architecture, retreat facilities



We will welcome an international social environment in Vedapark, The Golden Village. It is for all open minded people, including business, artists, intellectuals, retired and students - in short, for all peace-loving individuals who want a balanced life in nurturing contact with Mother Nature and themselves.

In Vedapark you have the opportunity to participate in creating a center for the new era - a village for people who seek Vedic wisdom, fun, healing, innovative activity and development of consciousness. A society with healthy houses, pure food, horticulture, transcendence, warm relationships and an organic environment without radiation.

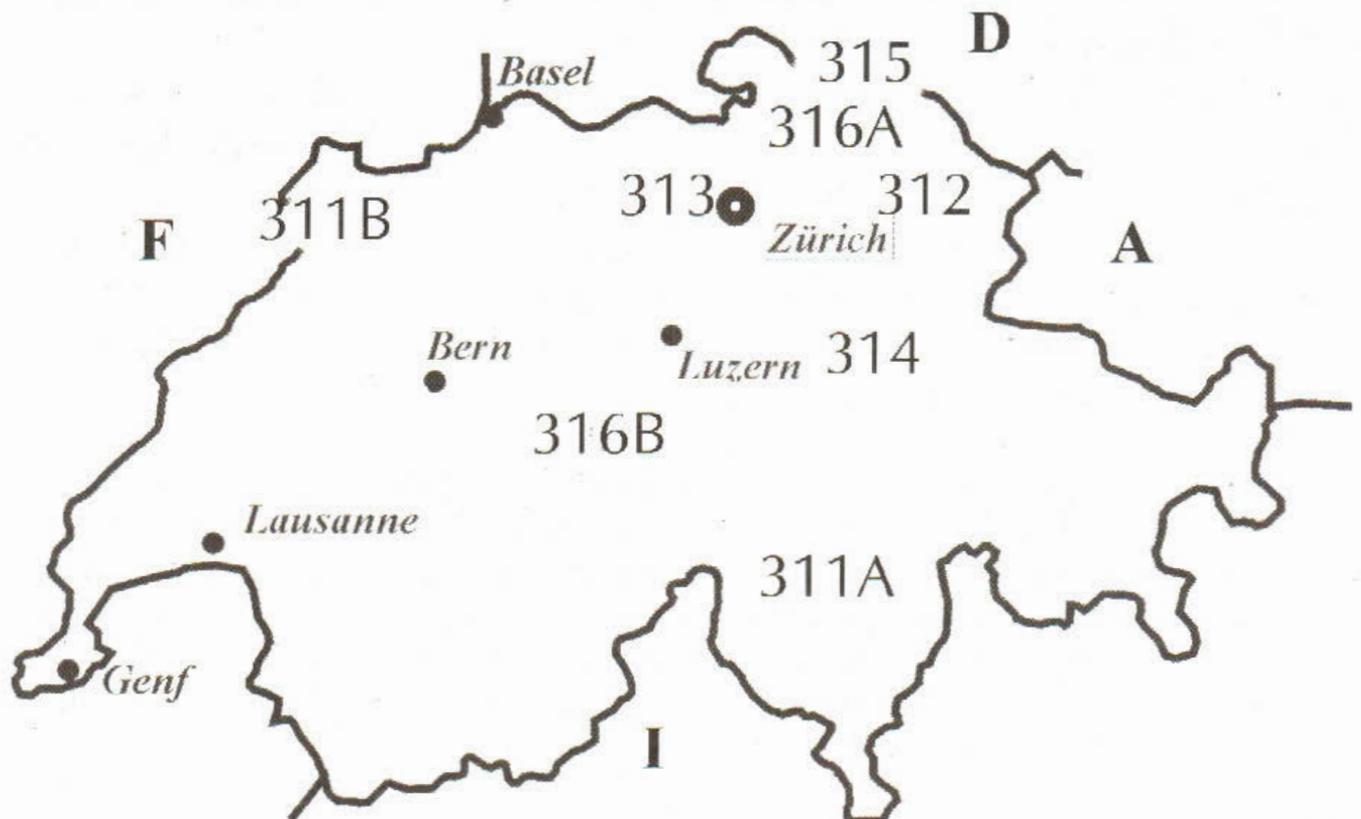
A key factor of this project is to construct a village of unique homes according to the Veda (Vastu), the most ancient architecture of human kind.

A house is a heavy structure, and its architecture and hence energy field highly affects the health and success of the occupants. Vastu ensures that the house is designed so that the residents' energies are connected with nature and the positive forces of the universe outside. The house even protects against harmful external influences.

We have already bought 49 developed big building sites, where construction can begin here and now. With common land there are 45 ha, here where the vast forests starts in the heart of Scania, Southern Sweden. A creek winds through the area to the North and we will attempt to (re)create a large lake here.

→ See also description of network „GEN Europe“

Switzerland



CES - Fondazione per la rinascita di Chiesso

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📅 1972

🏠 10 ha (near Bellinzona)

👤 <10 %

♀2 ♂2 ♀0 👤4

🗉 g, i, e, f

👤4

🗉 all who are concerned (consensus)

🗉 limited community financing

🗉 partially leased, partially Fondazione (foundation)

🗉 social competence, agreement with community's goals

🗉 gardening, construction, landscape conservation, farming

🗉 ecological, self-managed, left-wing political understanding, organic diet, adult education, seminar-house, group work, environmental protection, self-sufficiency, organic agriculture, organic gardening, organic farming, forestry, alternative energy, ecological construction, construction

😊 🙌

CES is a formerly abandoned mountain village on a high plateau in Northern Ticino (1,450 m above sea level). Ces is far away from the traffic chaos and can only be reached on foot, two hours uphill. Already on the way up one encounters a varied landscape. In Ces itself the naturally cultivated plateau with its waterfall, moor areas and rare flowers is striking.

Ces consists of some 25 houses and barns and a chapel. One third of the houses belong to us, the self-administered "Foundation for the Reconstruction of Ces". Since 1972 we have been dedicating ourselves as a collective to the preservation of the village and its surroundings in their original form and to the accessibility of Ces for alternative communal forms of living and working. In winter Ces is quiet, in summer we cultivate our organic garden, care for our animals, make hay and chat; we renovate, play and discuss.

We consciously choose to live simply, and work with our hands. Since we want to live as independently as possible, we produce our own electricity (with a small hydroelectric plant and a solar energy system) and live - where possible - from the produce of our organic gardens. Ces is remote but not isolated: it is intended to reach out and demonstrate alternatives. Each year a large circle of friends and guests from many countries come to visit. If you would like to visit or work here, please make sure to give us a call beforehand.

😊 ecological consciousness and social competence

🏠 Clos du Doubs

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📅 1990

🏠 ca. 100 ha (near St. Ursanne)

👤 90 %

🗉 f, g, e

👤 all

🗉 all willing to participate in the decision making (consensus/majority vote)

🗉 some common financing

🗉 owned by a foundation and privately

🗉 ecology

🗉 agriculture construction teaching

🗉 ecological, non-violent, organic diet, pedagogical, free school, mentally/psycholo-

gically handicapped persons, animal protection, environmental protection, self-sufficiency, permaculture, organic agriculture, organic gardening, organic farming, animal friendly husbandry, forestry, alternative energy, new technologies, ecological construction, humour, simple, but smart life style



The ecovillage is formed by three farms located in an underpopulated, incredibly beautiful Jura valley one hour South West of Basel. Still very busy with our agricultural activities, we impatiently look forward to new members with professional skills and dreams to be realized. We have a free school!

☺ the true desire to make things happen

Gemeinschaft Ökodorf Sennrütli

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📅 2006

🌳 1.2 ha (near St. Gallen) ♿ 10 %

♀ 21 ♂ 11 ↘ 24-29

👥 ca. 60

🗣️ Swiss German, g, e, f, Dutch, sp

♻️ approx. 4 🗑️ approx. 12

🗣️ all concerned together (consensus)

👤 individually, partly in common

🔑 owned by all (cooperative)

👁️ construction, garden, workshop and guests area, healing center

🌀 ecological, self-managed, non-violent, spiritual, inner growth, meditation, yoga, organic diet, vegetarian diet, adult education, pedagogical, free school, peace-work, environmental protection, permaculture, organic agriculture, organic gardening, alternative energy, ecological construction, humour, non smoking, culture of „a new WE“, development of consciousness, therapy, singing, dancing, music, arts and culture, guesthouse, time-out care



We are open for people of different spiritual, religious or cultural backgrounds. We take time for celebrations, rituals, songs, dances and meditation. As a group we often go into silence (meditations, attunements), also as a tool for decision making.

In living together we want to honour the diversity of each individual. This encourages free acting and personal development and enriches the community life. We already consist of 4 generations.

We aim to heat our buildings with solar energy only, and to produce our own electricity. For the thermal insulation of the building we use cellulose fibres made from recycled paper. Further we use wood, clay, straw, cork, lime and sand. We harvest rainwater and use it in the garden, for toilet flushing and for washing machines.

Members are responsible for their own income. Most are working part time outside, however, we are presently generating more jobs within our community.

We have organic farms nearby and alternative schools, such as a Steiner school and a new school applying non-directive education.

→ See also description of network „GEN Europe“

- 🌐 GEN Suisse, World Peace Prayer Society, some people: Talent, ARTABANA, Holon
- 😊 appreciation of the existing, YES to our common grounds, willingness to personal development, active participation and involvement in the community, financial share in the cooperative of CHF 50,000.- per adult

Hof allne Wind

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🌐 www.hofallnewind.ch

📅 1993

🌳 12 ha (near Zürich) 🏠 50 %

♀ 2 ♂ 2 🐾 3 👤 7

🗣 g, e, fr

👤 all

👤 the owner (final word to owner)

👤 individual financing, same wages for everyone

🔑 property of individual community members

👤 create unity within variety, realise a social life where everyone can be happy and satisfied

🌿 vegetable gardening, animal care, kitchen, woodcutting, construction

🌿 ecological, left-wing political understanding, non-violent, organic diet, animal protection, environmental protection, self-sufficiency, permaculture, organic agriculture, organic gardening, organic farming, animal friendly husbandry, forestry, alternative energy, ecological construction, humour

😊 🤝

The Hof allne Wind is located on a mountain (Bemerberg) in a remote rural hamlet where most of the residents live in huts, campers and trailers. We all eat together in the communal kitchen (common room). The project's goal is to develop a living community of people, animals and plants, a place where these life forces can complement one another and whose resources from farming, dairy and forestry – but also from animal husbandry and fruit, herb and vegetable gardening – provide the foundation for a community's livelihood. We produce our goods according to state organic farming guidelines and directly market our products – alongside a constantly growing body of regular customers – in Zurich and the surrounding area.

Our goals are:

- Finding a harmony between the lives of humans, animals and plants
- Following new paths in the area of communal life, love and child-rearing
- Developing ecological and autonomous survival skills
- Creating unity within variety
- Testing and imparting spiritual and practical knowledge
- Realising a social life in which everyone can be happy and satisfied.

Having combined our efforts, we are endeavouring to achieve these goals and implement these ideas.

😊 willingness to lead a simple life

Nuovo Walser Global - Native

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🌐 www.nuovo-walser.org, www.global-native.org

📅 2007

🌳 7 ha

👥 50 %

♀ 2 - 3

♂ 2 - 3

👤 2 - 4

👨‍👩‍👧‍👦 4 - 7

🔍 g, e, i

♻️ 4 🗑️ 4-10

🗣️ together in a circle (consensus)

🏠 a mix between individual and communal financing

🔑 trust

🌍 the spirit of Mother Earth

🌱 living with nature, gardening, land, forest, people, social work, art

🌀 ecological, self-managed, non-violent, spiritual, inner growth, meditation, yoga, organic diet, adult education, pedagogical, environmental protection, self-sufficiency, permaculture, organic agriculture, organic gardening, new technologies, ecological construction, humour, non smoking, Global Native, Huna

😊 🙌🙌

Global Native is an initiative founded by and for people who would like to live a new sustainable culture together with the Planet Earth. We can learn from the natural tribes to bring the spirit of Mother Earth back to the centre of our culture and overcome egoism and capitalism.

The vision of the Global Natives is a culture of paradise in which everybody is able to live a conscious life in freedom, peace and love for each other and the creation, without exploitation, suppression and enrichment at the expense of nature and society.

Through holistic, sustainable and creative actions the sense of community replaces the dominant ego. Our life is guided by universal love and is connected to our higher self and the spirit of creation. We want to protect our home planet Mother Earth with this awareness of being a global native and renew and beautify it culturally. This is our ancient natural right and goal of development: that we wake up for a new life. Our lives and the life of our planet are not for sale!

It is free and natural, though we first have to get it back, because it was taken from us! The internet page aims to give you information on how we try to reach those goals in real life. We wish you endurance, joy and hope...

🌐 HANDS (bartering club)

😊 open for all people who like the vision of the Global Natives

Schloss Glarisegg

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📅 2003 🌳 5 ha (near Constance) 📊 15 % ♀ 22 ♂ 11 🏠 15 👥 48

🔍 g, e, f

♻️ 5 🧑 11

👥 all community members (consensus minus 10 %)

🏠 combined individual and shared economy

👤 our corporation

🗨️ community building according to Scott Peck, socialforum, transparent communication, spirituality rooted in everyday life

👤 guests and seminar centre, garden, construction sites, therapy centre, creative workshop, instrument making

🌱 ecological, self-managed, left-wing political understanding, non-violent, spiritual, inner growth, meditation, yoga, organic diet, adult education, seminar-house, peace-work, self-sufficiency, permaculture, organic gardening, alternative energy, new technologies, ecological construction, humour, various therapy methods, instrument making, crafts, music, art



Glarisegg Castle – “A place for encounter and consciousness” – lies between forests, a wild river, fields and Lake Constance. The community lives on a gorgeous property with large natural areas and a private beach. We are connected by a shared interest in personal responsibility and the questions of our time, and we would like to contribute to the research on new ways of living. We value synergy between personal needs and input towards a shared vision. So we set ourselves the daily challenge of finding a balance between work on communal projects and the celebration of our shared life: via communal singing and music making, regular meetings in mandatory groups and intensive periods that last several days. Our tools are, amongst others, Community Building (Scott Peck style), forums (ZEGG style), transparent communication and possibility management. In 2010 we invited new people, particularly families, for a “joining period”, so we are now in the middle of a “second set-up phase”. There is more scope for new members, too. A permaculture project with a central vegetable garden has been developing since 2012. There is a forest group for younger children. Part of the communal project is the seminar business, a small shop, as well as the creativity and instrument workshop. We are open-minded people, who see communal life as a possibility to grow together and bring a new culture into existence.



→ See also description of network „GEN Europe“

🌐 GEN Suisse, Gemeinwohlökonomie

😊 1 year trial time, acquisition of a 5000 CHF share, self-responsibility, desire to design a new culture

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📅 1983

🌳 40 ha (near Winterthur)

♀5 ♂5 ♀2 👤12

🗺️ g, Japanese

👤 all

🗺️ everyone in common (through Kengan)

👤 shared income

🔑 common property

🌾 agriculture, food production, direct marketing

🌀 self-managed, inner growth, seminar-house, peace-work, environmental protection, animal friendly husbandry, alternative energy, humour, humanity, natural charity, Kengan = communication method; to recognise the love that is in everything, one-body-life

😊 🙌

Yamagishi, Miozo was a peasant from Japan who died in 1960 and made a close study of (human) nature. His goal was a stable world community which makes it possible for everyone, including our children, to be happy.

Starting from the fact that all beings and all existence are inextricably linked with one another – I flourish when everything else flourishes – this principle equally applies to marriage, the family, the workplace... With the knowledge that every person in this world wants to live in peace and satisfaction, Yamagishi developed a model for society, a guide on "how to construct the world revolution". We believe that the happiness of all people begins in each of our everyday lives and only each small individual like you and me can make it happen. This has been practised with „Kengan“ for over 40 years in the 80 Yamagishi villages around the world. There are no bosses or gurus, there are no rights or responsibilities. Instead, everyone does what he can and when he wants. Everything is free, as in nature. Let us build such a society together. We believe we have found a practical, viable path and heartily invite you to join us.

😊 desire to help build a happy society and participate in the Tokkoh, the Yamagishi seminar

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🌐 www.schweibentalp.ch, www.greenphoenixglobally.org, www.alpine-permakultur.ch

📅 1982 🌳 20 ha (near Brienz, Interlaken, Bern, Luzern) ♀30 % ♀10 ♂13

👤30

🗺️ g, e, f, i

♻️ 26 🙌 28

- 🗣️ community - those present, business - those responsible (consent of those present, sometimes by a small group)
- 👤 salaries according to need and agreement, room and board as part of salary or self-sufficiency, self-employed work, community fund, gifts, bartering, donations, long-term loans, partnerships (permaculture), sponsoring
- 🔑 property of Foundation Schweibenalp
- 👤 day-to-day spirituality, open to all spiritual orientations
- 👤 kitchen, housekeeping, outer area, permaculture, construction, management, reception, seminar organisation
- 🌱 ecological, self-managed, non-violent, spiritual, inner growth, meditation, organic diet, vegetarian diet, vegan diet, seminar-house, peace-work, environmental protection, self-sufficiency, permaculture, alternative energy, new technologies, ecological construction, construction



Center of Unity Schweibenalp is now 30 years old!

The first 25 years we served as an Ashram, as a place and meeting point for spiritual practice of all traditions, as a community, as a seminar center for inter-religious and intercultural peace work. At the yearly peace festival UniPeace we continue to celebrate the loving unity of the global spiritual family.

The commission underwent modifications some five years ago, deciding to be free from any fixed spiritual bindings and discipline as a community and in network with other communities. Like this we investigate models for a peaceful, cooperative, sustainable culture of life. In terms of a vision we look for coherence of sustainable ecology, just economy, transparent and libertine living together and the evolution and care of a radical spiritual consciousness.



Each person and each community is unique and still part of the whole in an evolution without end. We truly wish that everyone feels well here and can feel the spirit of our community and the power of the place.

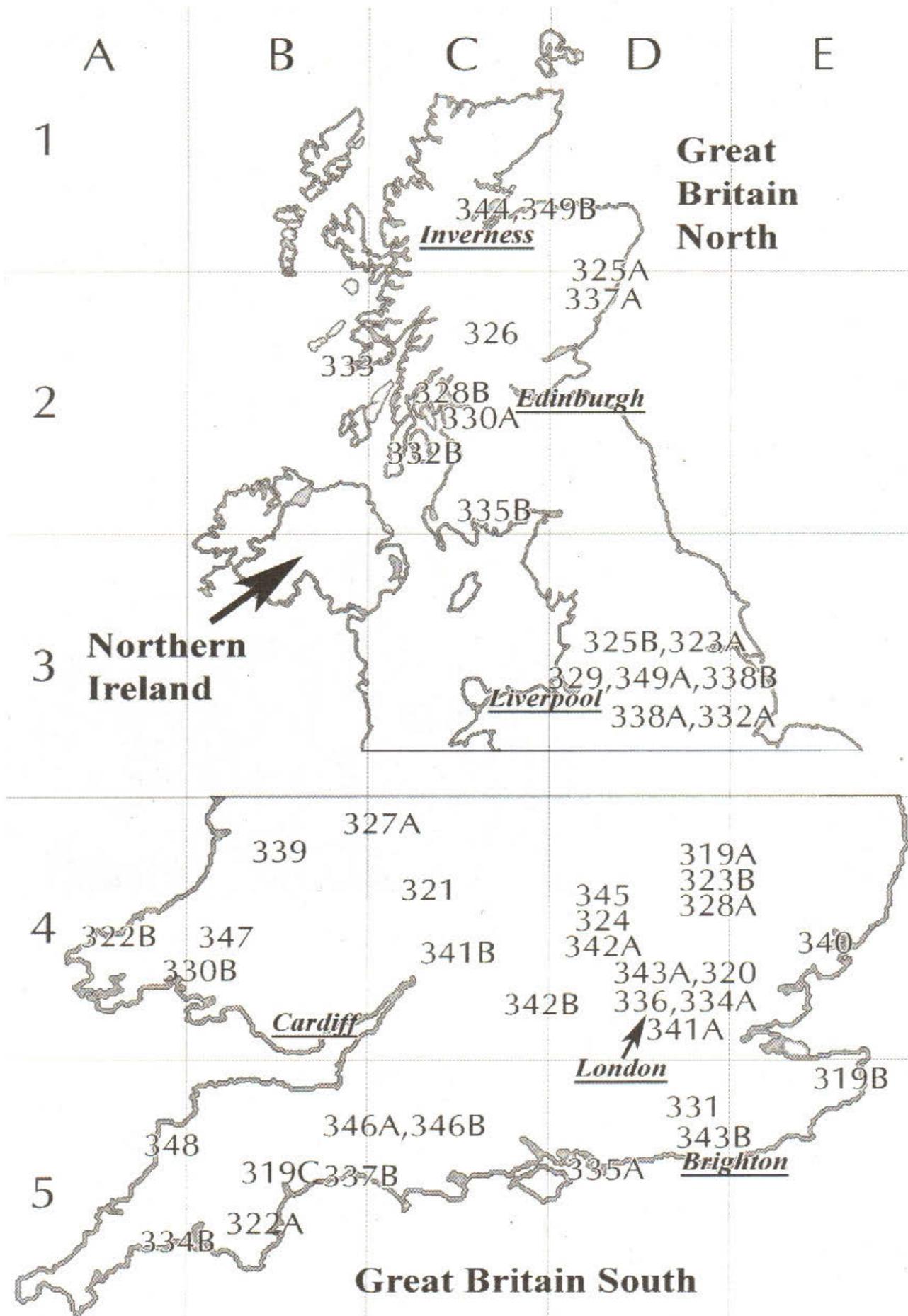
We see ourselves as one of many communities in a world-wide network looking for solutions and possibilities in many areas of life. We are a founding community of the GREEN PHOENIX, a community of communities and platform of experts.

Our alpine permaculture project at 1100 m wants to transform 20 ha of pasture and forest into an intensively cultivated model of agriculture.

→ See also description of network „GEN Europe“

- 🌐 GEN Suisse, Global Campus, Green Phoenix, Babaji Network, Academy for Future Sciences, Holon
- 😊 interest and flexibility, spiritual practice

United Kingdom



Argyle Street Housing Co-op

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🌐 www.ash.coop

📅 1981



👤 86

🗨️ e

👤 members (by meeting)

👤 individual financing (income from rent payments from members)

🔗 self-managed



Argyle Street Housing Co-operative was built in 1981 to provide affordable housing. We have 22 dwellings, mostly shared houses in a central location in Cambridge. We are a co-operative so all members have a share in their housing and a say in all decisions and the management of the co-op.

😊 to apply for housing, be accepted into a household after being on our shortlist

Beech Grove Community

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✉ contact@churchcommunities.org

☎ +44-(0)1304-842980

🌐 www.bruderhof.com/

📅 1995

🌳 (near Canterbury)

♀ 70 ♂ 70 ♀ 70 👤 210



The Bruderhof is an international communal movement of families and single men and women who seek to put into action Christ's command to love God and neighbor.

Like the first Christians described in Acts 2 and 4, we feel called to a way of life in which all are of one heart and soul, no one possesses anything, and everything is shared in common. We also draw inspiration from the Anabaptists of the Reformation era who revived the early Christian example of discipleship in full community.

➔ See also description of network „Bruderhof-Gemeinschaften“

Beech Hill Community

Beech Hill, Morchard Bishop, Devon | Exeter EX17 6RF ☎ +44-(0)1363-877228

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🌐 www.beechhillcommunity.org.uk

📅 1983

🌳 2,8 ha (near Exeter)

♀ 6 ♂ 5 ♀ 4 👤 15

🗨️ e, f, i, sp, Afrikaans

👤 some

👤 all who are concerned (consensus)

👤 limited common financing

🔑 owned by co-op, rented and owned by private leaseholders

🌿 ecological

🌱 gardening, maintenance, arts & crafts, recycling, community compost scheme

🔗 ecological, self-managed, organic diet, organic gardening



We live in a large country house in the rolling Devon hills. Accommodation is both rented and leasehold in the converted outbuildings and in the mainhouse. We grow our own organic fruit and vegetables. We have a paddock, chickens, an orchard, a walled garden, swimming pool and compost toilets and reed bed sewage systems, solar panels and wind turbine.

We share responsibility for our home and the land on which we live. We eat together in the evenings and celebrate birthdays and other events together.

We participate in the wider community through various events including community open days and our community composting scheme. Individuals earn their income in the outside world in journalism, education, mechanics, complimentary health, recycling, art and alternative ceremonies. Some work from home.

We are a diverse group of people who try and live more sustainably together. We enjoy visitors and volunteers by prior arrangement. We even enjoy a good laugh sometimes.

☺ none

Bhaktivedanta Manor

D4

International Society for Krishna Consciousness (ISKCON)

Aldenham, Near Watford | Herts WD25 8EZ

☎ +44-(0)1923-851000

✉ info@krishnatemple.com

🌐 www.krishnatemple.com

📅 1973

🏡 32 ha (near London)

♀ 17

♂ 32

👤 0

👤 49

👤 70

- 🗨️ languages mostly spoken include English, Gujarati
- 👤 Srutidharma das, Temple President (majority vote in Temple Council)
- 👤 from largely the Indian community, weddings, shop
- 🔑 International Society vor Krishna Consciousness ISKCON
- 👤 serve and worship Krishna
- 👤 priestry, farm work (cows), worship, teaching, book distribution, study, charity
- 👤 ecological, self-managed, non-violent, leader/guru, spiritual, inner growth, meditation, yoga, organic diet, vegetarian diet, adult education, peace-work, animal protection, self-sufficiency, organic gardening, alternative energy, Hindu, (peace work), spiritual education as therapy, biol. species-appropriate animal housing, alternative energy, theatre group



Bhaktivedanta Manor was donated by the former Beatle George Harrison to the society in 1973. Since then, the community has grown into a major place of public worship and for many festivals throughout the year. We have a small primary school, a farm of 14 cows and 7 working oxen, 50 resident "monks" and "nuns", a magnificent shrine of Lord Krishna, a department which caters for visiting school groups and a small theatre.

ISKCON was founded by His Divine Grace A.C. Bhaktivendanta Swami Prabhupada in

1965 in New York. He left this mortal world in 1977, but is still seen as an "inspirational guru" for everyone in ISKCON. Following the ancient Vedic scriptures, the basic teaching is that we are not these material bodies, but the eternal spirit-soul within. We have been in this world for many lifetimes and ISKCON's mission is to help people escape from this cycle of birth and death through the chanting of "Hare Krishna, Hare Krishna, Hare Hare, Hare Rama, Hare Rama, Rama Rama, Hare Hare". This is a mantra/prayer asking Krishna to engage us in a loving and serving relationship with Him. This is our original and natural position as spiritual beings. This is the same aim as all the world's major religions.

Generally these days, young men and women who stay for a while are encouraged to study, to serve within the community and maybe to wear traditional Indian robes.

→ See also description of network „ISKCON international“

 Hindu Forum of Britain

 work and live the principles of ISKCON

Birchwood Hall Storrige



Malvern | Worcestershire WR13 5EZ

 info@birchwoodhall.org.uk

 1971

 3,6 ha (near Malvern)

 9  8  3  20

 e

 none  none

 everyone in common (consensus)  limited community financing/common till

 common property

 green, left, feminist

 external work

 ecological, self-managed, left-wing political understanding, feminist, non-violent, organic gardening, volleyball, various media

Birchwood Hall is a housing co-op with two houses (Mainhouse & Coachhouse), set in 3.6 ha of garden. There is the Victorian Mainhouse with lots of space, therefore lots of potential maintenance, cleaning and play value but no bevy of Victorian servants to keep the brass polished! Difficult house to heat and be energy efficient but we have solar panels now!

Our young children go to local schools. We have a range of full and part time occupations, in a variety of jobs. We think we live here for ethical and practical reasons. We like each other and enjoy sharing the house (most of the time!). Our joint politics are leftish, greenish and feminist, with enough variation for some rowdy teatime arguments! We eat together in the evening, taking it in turns to cook, trying to accommodate likes and dislikes. Most of us are vegetarian with occasional meat dishes for the omnivores! Meetings are once a week, alternating business and social meetings, with a whole co-op meeting every 2 months. We don't have many defined expectations of each other but trust that everyone will add to the community and pull their weight in some way. The garden is both beautiful and wooded, but is a struggle to maintain! The vegetable garden is fairly productive but not self-sufficient.

 green, left, feminist

Bowden House Community Bowden House

B5

Totnes | Devon TQ9 7PW

✉ info@bowdenhouse.co.uk

🌐 www.bowdenhouse.co.uk

📅 2006

🌳 4 ha (near Exeter)

♀15 ♂13 ↩16 👤44

🗉 e, g, sp, f

👤 a few

🗉 whole community (consensus minus 2)

🗉 individual financing

🗉 private and shared ownership

🗉 mixed mostly off site



We are a collection of families living together in an intentional community in the beautiful green rolling hills of the Devonshire countryside. At the time of writing there are 27 adults and 16 children. We eat together once a week and meet weekly either to discuss the management of the community or to have a deep listening space for sharing what is going on for us. We come together to sing and in various working and social groups. Most of us are employed outside of the community although there are a few workshops housing businesses on the site. We aspire to non-violent, conscious communication and conflict resolution. We share 10 acres of land with about 2 acres of food growing space and an orchard. We don't have any specific shared ideological or religious beliefs but aspire to live consciously together and on the Earth. Each family has a private flat or house in converted outbuildings centred around a large old Manor House. Unfortunately at the moment we are not set up for accommodating visitors other than in our individual homes but feel free to contact us if you would like to visit.

😊 financial

❄️ Brithdir Mawr Community

A4

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☎ +44-(0)1239-820164

✉ visit@brithdirmawr.co.uk

🌐 www.brithdirmawr.co.uk

📅 1994

🌳 32 ha (near St. Davids) 🗉 70 %

♀5 ♂5 ↩2 👤12

🗉 e, Welsh, f, sp, g, Dutch

🗉 nearly all earn their money outside

🗉 everyone in common (consensus)

🗉 limited community financing

🗉 ecology, simplicity

🗉 garden, coppicing, farm animals, alternative technology, dancing

🗉 ecological, self-managed, inner growth, organic diet, environmental protection, self-sufficiency, permaculture, organic gardening, organic farming, animal friendly husbandry, alternative energy, ecological construction, rural handicraft, „green-wood skills“



Brithdir Mawr is a land-based community endeavouring to live as sustainably and simply as possible. We grow most of our own organic vegetables; chickens and ducks provide eggs and our motley crew of goats provide milk. Our power needs are met entirely by renewable resources, horse power or shared cars. We welcome volunteers for a week at

a time to share our work, in return for food and a bed. Please email a brief introductory letter with some idea of your availability and skills.

- ☺ interest in resource-conserving construction, enthusiasm and tolerance, be financially solvent

Brotherhood Church

D3

Stapleton | Pontefract WF8 3DF

+44-(0)1977-620381

✉ enquiries@thebrotherhoodchurch.org

🌐 www.thebrotherhoodchurch.org

📅 1898

🏠 4 ha (near Leeds) 🐝 60 %

♀ 2 ♂ 2 👤 4

- 🔍 e
- 🗣️ all who are concerned (consensus)
- 🔑 property of all
- 🌿 environmental, pacifist, low impact
- 🚰 ecological, self-managed, anarchistic, left-wing political understanding, feminist, non-violent, organic diet, vegetarian diet, vegan diet, peace-work, environmental protection, self-sufficiency, permaculture, organic agriculture, organic gardening, organic farming, animal friendly husbandry, forestry, alternative energy, ecological construction
- 👥 most of us
- 💰 limited common financing



We strongly object to consumerism and greed. We are pacifists and hold strong views on human and animal rights and have anarchist leanings. We do not participate in many aspects of modern life and refuse to be brainwashed by the mainstream media. We feel there is a better way to live and are trying to work towards it. We are low-impact and consider our effect on the environment and the natural world in everything we do, but this does not mean we are against all modern technology. We make part of our living from the land but individuals can also pursue their own interests or careers separately, whether on the land or in another way.

- ☺ ideological

Cambridge K1 Cohousing

D4

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🌐 www.cambridge-k1.co.uk

🏠 <1 ha

👤 70

- 🔍 e
- 🗣️ all householders (consensus)
- 🔑 private home ownership with some rental
- 🌿 building a thriving community
- 🚰 ecological, self-managed, environmental protection, alternative energy, co-housing
- 💰 individual financing



Cambridge K1 is a developing co-housing group formed around an offer of a plot in Orchard Park in the North of Cambridge. We plan to build 36 to 40 houses during 2014, and occupy them from 2015.

Using consensus decision making, we are designing a site which will enable both deliberate and chance encounters through inclusion of communal gardens and a Common House. These will allow us to meet for both business and social activities and shall be maintained actively and cooperatively. We will share resources, perhaps car sharing, tool sharing and skill swapping where possible – allowing us to live more sustainably. Each household will have their own energy efficient home and private space, but we will be spending time with each other as a community, and doing things together on a regular basis. We want to live somewhere where our shared values are prioritised. We are a community where everyone is valued equally and everyone pitches in. We are making a safe space for us and our children to play and grow older.

The sooner you contact us the better your chances of living the community dream with us.

Camphill Milton Keynes Community



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www.camphillmk.co.uk

1980

4 ha (near London)

100

e

all

management team (consensus)

shared income

common property

Rudolf Steiner

gardening, baking, weaving, café, refurbishing tools

self-managed, non-violent, Christian, anthroposophic



Camphill Milton Keynes is a residential working community providing a meaningful life for adults with learning difficulties. 53 residents live together with staff in ten separate households, forming a community of over 100 people.

Daily life is arranged around the various households, each of which has its own character based on a common routine. Meals are taken together and household tasks are shared. Workshops include two vegetable and fruit gardens, food processing, bakery, a café that is open to the public, a weaver, basketry, shop and a workshop that refurbishes tools that are then donated to developing countries.

Cultural life within our own community is varied and we have a regular programme of artistic and therapeutic activities. As in every Camphill centre, the Christian festivals play an important part in our lives throughout the year and are shared by those of quite different cultural backgrounds.

We welcome long-term co-workers and one-year volunteers.

→ See also description of network „Camphill“

☺ desire to live and work with adults with learning disabilities

Camphill School Aberdeen Central Office, Murtle House

D1

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✉ b.porter@crss.org.uk

🌐 www.camphillschools.org.uk

📅 1940

🏠 60 ha 🏡 5 %

♀100 ♂50 ♀100 👤250

👤 all

👤 everyone in common (consensus)

👤 shared economy

🔑 owned by our holding company

👤 social pedagogy/curative education

👤 ecological, non-violent, Christian, anthroposophic, inner growth, pedagogical, mentally/psychologically handicapped persons, physically handicapped persons, organic gardening, humour, accessible to the disabled, art therapy, colour therapy, organic and species-appropriate animal husbandry, crafts, art



😊 🙌

Camphill School Aberdeen is a day and residential school for children and young people with additional support needs. Volunteers are needed in order to live with the children and young people and to help care for them, as well as to teach in the school. Full-time work and an integration into the communal life which goes as deep as possible are expected. The emphasis is on Christian ideals, social responsibility, and the development of the personality. Tasks include caring for the young people both physically and psychologically, teaching in the classrooms, general housekeeping, athletic and artistic activities, as well as supervising work in the garden. Each year some 80 volunteers from all nationalities are required. The minimum age is 18. Room, board and an allowance are provided. Please send your written application to the address shown above.

→ See also description of network „Camphill“

😊 suitability to work with vulnerable children and young people

Cornerstone Housing Co-op

D3

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🌐 www.cornerstonehousing.org.uk

📅 1993

🏠 2.000 m² 🏡 2 %

♀5 ♂5 ♀0 👤16

👤 e, f, Welsh, g, sp

👤 all who are concerned (consensus)

👤 limited common financing

🔑 housing co-operative

👤 no

👤 (eco) direct action

👤 ecological, self-managed, anarchistic, feminist, chaotic, vegetarian diet, vegan diet, animal protection, environmental protection, organic gardening, humour, non smoking



Cornerstone has two large, shambolic Victorian houses in Chapeltown, an ethnically diverse part of inner-city Leeds, Yorkshire (slowly being gentrified, though). Both houses need a lot of maintenance, but have large gardens front and back, where the odd co-op member does their best to create beautiful and productive landscapes. Each house has space for eight members. The political focus shifts as membership changes, currently (2013) we are variously exploring aspects of privilege, workplace organising, community organising, ecological education and cycle projects.

One house has an accessible bathroom, although there are 3 steps to get into the house.

A printing company (Footprint Worker's Co-op), operates from the cellars of one house.

→ See also description of network „**Radical Routes**“

🌐 Radical Routes

😊 ecologically aware, actively working for radical social change

❄️ **Culdees** Boreland Farm
⏪ C2

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 ✉️ contact@culdees-ecovillage.co.uk, contact@culdeesbunkhouse.co.uk

📅 1995 🏠 5000 m² (near Perth) ♀4 ♂6 👤10

🗣️ e, Japanese 🏠 4

👤 everyone in common (sociocracy) 🏠 limited common financing

🔑 property of individual community members

🌀 holistic

🌱 natural farming, permaculture

🌿 ecological, self-managed, non-violent, spiritual, ecumenical, Buddhist, Taoist, inner growth, meditation, organic diet, vegetarian diet, vegan diet, adult education, permaculture, organic agriculture, organic gardening, alternative energy, new technologies, ecological construction, pantheist, agricultural philosophy

😊 🤝

We want:

to create a Universal Multi Faith Ecovillage with a zero-waste, zero-energy, re-use, recycle, reclaim policy where the people acknowledge the Human Values of Truth, Righteousness, Peace, Love and Non-Violence and aspire to inspire our children and our children's children (not forgetting each other and ourselves) to look at what can be improved in our society and lead a change by setting an example of how it can be done;

to create a "School of Life" that encourages us to look beyond, and break through, the limitations of our belief system and advance together on our journey of life; since we all have abilities far beyond what we use, we discover and joyously investigate the limitless possibilities that we are endowed with.

→ See also description of network „**GEN Europe**“

😊 ideological, financial independence

Earthworm Housing Co-op

B4

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🌐 www.earthwormhousingcooperative.org.uk

📅 1989

🌳 2,5 ha (near Hereford)

👤 10 %

♀4 ♂4 ♀1 👤6

🔍 e, g, f

👤 all of us, none paid

👤 everyone in common (consensus)

👤 limited common financing

🔑 housing co-operative

🔧 building renovation, land management

🌿 ecological, self-managed, non-violent, seminar-house, environmental protection, permaculture, organic agriculture, organic gardening, conventional gardening, forestry, ecological construction, construction

😊 🙌

Earthworm Housing Co-op has existed since 1988 when it took over the long established Wheatstone Commune. Earthworm is a fully mutual housing co-op – all members pay rent and all members share the decisions about how this rent is spent.

In November 2011 there was a complete change in membership. The current 6 members and three volunteers are working to refurbish and renovate the co-op, so that it becomes more fuel-efficient, stable and sustainable.

The main property is Wheatstone House, a mansion house built in 1909, along with a stable block comprising workshops with a flat above and a smaller "lodge house". All buildings together can be home for up to 12 adults plus children, with useful spaces left over for business and leisure. We are substantially improving the accommodation and moderately changing the layout.

The land contains a kitchen garden, a well established orchard, lots of soft fruit and mature trees. We have our own wetland system which deals with the water from washing, and which we hope to expand, and we manage a 7-acre woodland nearby.

We are recruiting new members, and are especially interested in applicants who are keen on eco-renovation.

🌍 Radical Routes

😊 pay rent, provisional membership, contributing to work and food

🌿 Ecoforest

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🌐 www.ecoforest.org

📅 2000



🔍 e

🌿 nature

🔧 permaculture

🌿 ecological, self-managed, anarchistic, non-violent, inner growth, meditation, yoga, organic diet, vegetarian diet, adult education, self-sufficiency, permaculture, organic agriculture, forestry, alternative energy, new technologies, humour



We are looking for people and families interested in forming a veggie/vegan eco community near the coast in Dorset/SW England. Based on permaculture and cohousing principles, we'd like to forge a healthier way of life: grow most of our own food and fuel; generate our own energy; share skills; provide a place for courses, activities, holidays, retreats; and create an abundant biodiverse forest garden to share. We hope to find somewhere with a rural feeling, but with good transport links and wider communities nearby. We are aiming to move quickly and so are looking to purchase somewhere either with permission to build or existing dwellings; co-purchasing will be more affordable than doing it alone, but this will need financial and personal commitment.

☺ vegetarian

Enlinca



129 Ditton Walk | Cambridge CB5 8QD

✉ robert@enlinca.org.uk

🌐 www.enlinca.org.uk

📅 2000

🏠 (near Cambridge)

👤 individual financing

🕒 the community is being planned

🌿 ecological, self-managed, environmental protection, permaculture



Enlinca is a group of like minded people looking for urban and rural sites near Cambridge where we can build cohousing communities. We have been meeting since 2000 and wish to build houses and gardens guided by permaculture principles. There are also many members strongly influenced by spiritual beliefs. We have a flat organisational structure with consensus decision making. We want to build and live in houses built to the most sustainable standard feasible. Many are interested to grow their own organic food and participate in energy saving systems such as car clubs.

Getting cohousing off the ground in the UK is difficult but our persistence has helped spawn the K1 project. We are confident that success with K1 will fire up local interest in building more communities in the area once people can see the huge advantages for themselves.

If living in a sustainable community interests you please visit our website and join the mailing list. We welcome new members of all ages.

Faslane Peace Camp A814, Shandon



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✉ faslane30@gmail.com

🌐 www.faslanepeacecamp.wordpress.com

📅 1982

🏠 (near Glasgow)

♀ 2 ♂ 5 ♀ 1 👤 8

🔍 e, f, sp, currently

-  We are a political, direct action site. Located up the road from the British nuclear deterrent, the trident submarines
-  ecological, anarchistic, non-violent



Faslane Peacecamp has existed for 31 years to resist the British Nuclear Deterrent, the Trident submarines. Its remote location provides a base for direct action, as well as enabling peacecampers to keep track of which submarines are where and whether or not they're working properly. It's also a community, whose population tends to be transient, perhaps because of the full-on nature of sharing your backyard with nuclear submarines, so as such the peacecamp tends to be remade every few years in the character of those resident there at the time. However, because of its semi-permanent nature, it has always tended to have better facilities than most protest sites (bath and hot water system, burners in all the caravans, and pedal-powered washing machine currently!) Big blockades are organised in partnership with Trident Ploughshares, convoy disruptions with Nukewatch and CND provides some funding. The Peacecamp is child friendly and has recently started regular Children's Days. There is a safer spaces policy in place with no drinking in communal areas. Anyone staying more than a week is expected to contribute by doing a reasonable amount of work, and paying kitty ideally £5/week.

Radical Routes

-  safer spaces policy, no alcohol in communal spaces, 2 week review, 2 month re-view

Fireside Housing Co-op 55-61 Melrose Road



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 fireside@blueyonder.co.uk

 1995



♀5 ♂3 ♀2  10

 e, sp., f

 everyone in common (consensus)

 limited community financing

 common property

 living

 ecological, self-managed, non-violent, vegetarian diet, organic gardening, alternative energy, ecological construction



Fireside has a row of four mid-terrace Victorian houses in Burngreave in Sheffield. We've knocked our four long and skinny gardens into one, so there's plenty of room for us to play, grow organic veg, have bonfires and parties. The gardens back onto a Victorian cemetery so there's lots of green space and wildlife around even though we're in an inner-city area. There's also an adventure playground at the end of the road.

The age range of the 8 adults and 2 teenagers living here is staggered from 15 to nearly 60 years old. We live mostly as 4 separate households, but we have knocked connecting doors between nos 55 & 57 and between 59 and 61 to accommodate growing/changing family needs. In the summer of 2013 we demolished our damp, cramped kitchens and built a highly insulated 2-storey extension across the backs of 55-59. Exciting, and expensive!

We eat communally on a fairly regular basis, particularly when having a workday on the houses or gardens.

Burngreave is a quite deprived inner-city area but very multicultural and vibrant. Many of the co-op members are involved with local community groups.

→ See also description of network „Radical Routes“

Glasgow Catholic Worker C2

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 glw@catholicworker.org.uk

 www.catholicworker.org.uk

 2012

 (near Glasgow)

 e

 all who are concerned (consensus)

 Catholic and ecumenical, non violent and anarchist

 soup kitchen, publications

 anarchistic, left-wing political understanding, non-violent, spiritual, Christian, ecumenical, Catholic



We are a community without a place yet. We run a street Soup Kitchen and meet regularly to pray and discuss.

→ See also description of network „European Catholic Worker“

 inspired by Dorothy Day

Heartwood Housing Co-operative B4

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 Number 4191 on eurotopia.de/booklinks(long Facebook address)

 2000

 10 ha (near Swansea)  20 %

♀4 ♂2 ♀5  11

 Welsh, i

 2  2/3

 everyone (consensus)

 limited common financing

 co-operatively owned

 permaculture

 sustainable homes and lives

 ecological, self-managed, non-violent, organic diet, adult education, one-world development, environmental protection, self-sufficiency, permaculture, organic agriculture, organic gardening, organic farming, forestry, alternative energy, humour, love



Heartwood is an old dairy farm with 35 acres of land: woods, pasture, wetland, streams, orchards and gardens. Our long-term plans involve up to 12 adults with children. We have a pony that pulls a cart and helps with woodland management. There are two goats providing milk, four hens, three ducks and four cats. In the main house we share facilities

and enjoy five vegetarian communal meals a week.

Our practice of permaculture and sustainability includes maintaining sustainable relationships with each other as well as with the land we live on; this forms the basis of our community.

☺ one year trial, understanding of permaculture/NVC (non-violent communication)

Hoathly Hill Community

D5

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📅 1972

🌳 10 ha (near East Grinstead)

♀26 ♂21 ♀19 👥66

🗺️ g, e, f, i, sp, Chinese, Lithuanian

👤 8

👥 directors and mandates in consultation with the community (mandate system or community processes, eg consensus)

💰 individual financing, service charge

🔑 Hoathly Hill Association is the freeholder of the individual leases for housing units & Hoathly Hill Trusts lease of land and buildings - leases are bought and sold on the open market

🧠 anthroposophy

🌿 Waldorf education, biodynamic agriculture, community supported agriculture, forest garden, permaculture

🔄 ecological, self-managed, spiritual, anthroposophic, adult education, pedagogical, mentally/psychologically handicapped persons, physically handicapped persons, permaculture, organic agriculture, organic gardening, organic farming, animal friendly husbandry, alternative energy, ecological construction

☺ 🧤

Hoathly Hill Community was founded 40 years ago by a group of anthroposophists. Today there are about 70 people of all ages and spirituality living in 26 units of differing sizes on about 22 acres. There are community buildings and communal outdoor space. Hoathly Hill Community is constituted as a home-life community encouraging individual initiative. There is currently a kindergarten, an organisation for people with special needs with residential and day care and a theatre group, a sculpture and pottery studio, a community supported agriculture scheme and a forest garden project. The community has weekly community meetings, weekly cafes, a monthly work day and celebrates festivals together.



Hockerton Housing Project



The Watershed, Gables Drive | Southwell NG25 0QU ☎ +44-(0)1636-816902
✉ contact@hockertonhousingproject.org.uk 🌐 www.hockertonhousingproject.org.uk

📅 1995 🌳 10 ha (near Nottingham) ♀ 4 ♂ 5 ♀ 5 👤 15

- 🗣️ e, i 🏠 all between part time and full time
- 👥 everyone in common (consensus) 🏠 limited community financing and individual
- 🔑 leased, rented, partly owned by one community family
- 🌿 environment
- 👋 organic food growing, communal management of utilities/facilities, eco-consulting, demonstration visits, talks
- 🌀 ecological, self-managed, organic diet, environmental protection, self-sufficiency, permaculture, organic agriculture, alternative energy, new technologies, ecological construction, sports: volleyball, art: spontaneous art projects



The Hockerton Housing Project (HHP) is the UK's first earth sheltered, self-sufficient ecological housing development. Project members live a holistic way of life in harmony with the environment, in which all ecological impacts have been considered and accounted for. The residents of the five houses generate their own clean energy, harvest their own water and recycle waste materials causing no pollution or CO₂ emissions. The houses are amongst the most energy efficient, purpose built dwellings in Europe. They aim to produce as much food on site and meet as many of their needs for work from the site and project.



Working guests are welcome - only via WWOOFing!

➔ See also description of network „WWOOF“

Holy Isle Project Centre for World Peace and Health



Lamlash Bay | Isle of Arran, Scotland KA27 8GB ☎ +44-(0)1770-601100
✉ reception@holysisle.org 🌐 www.holysisle.org

📅 1992 🌳 40 (near Ardrossan) 👤 15

- 🗣️ 15 🏠 property of charitable trust
- 👥 the community (community meetings)
- 🌿 Buddhist with strong interfaith ethos
- 👋 meditation, mindfulness, well-being, organic biodynamic gardening
- 🌀 self-managed, non-violent, ecumenical, Buddhist, inner growth, meditation, yoga, vegetarian diet, environmental protection, organic gardening



Holy Isle is located just off the Isle of Arran on the West Coast of Scotland. The Centre for World Peace and Health is run by a community of 15 resident volunteers and runs a full programme of courses and retreats focusing on meditation, mindfulness and well-being. The Centre also functions as a guesthouse for personal retreats or holiday breaks with a difference, offering full vegetarian board with daily produce from its organic biodynamic garden.

☺ trial period



Isle of Erraid Community Findhorn Foundation

B2

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🌐 www.erraid.com

📅 1978

🌳 256 ha

♀5 ♂4 ♀2 👥11

❓ e, g

👥 all of us

🗣️ the whole group (consensus)

🧘 inner listening, co-creation with nature, service to the world

🌿 gardening, chopping wood, looking after the animals, cooking, cleaning

🌱 ecological, non-violent, spiritual, inner growth, meditation, organic diet, organic gardening, organic farming, humour, organic farming, vegetable gardening, boating, candle-making, holding guests, meditation, sacred singing, celebrating Celtic Festivals

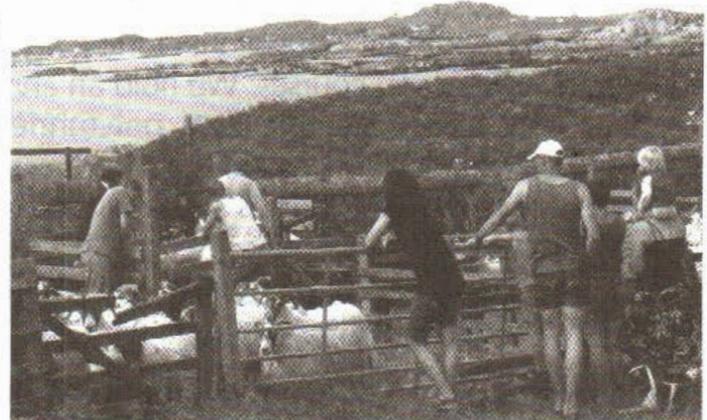


Erraid is a small Hebridean island in Scotland, in view of Iona. The island is one square mile in size and our small community lives and works on the land. We live in old light house keepers' cottages, which we share with our guests. Life on Erraid seems pretty much like it must have been in the 1870s when the houses were established. We work in the gardens, heat the cottages and our water with wood-burning stoves, bathe in peat water, drink rain water, use outdoor composting toilets and live a life very close to the elements. What we are doing on a day to day basis is often determined by the sea, the tides, the moon and the wind.

One of our main purposes on the island is to hold guests in the island's ancient energy and allow them to experience and explore its magnificent landscape and wildlife, our unique lifestyle and community life. Guests come throughout the year for a week or even months to live with us and join in our activities: cooking, chopping wood, working in the gardens, helping with the animals, making candles, meditating and singing sacred songs in our beautiful sanctuary and celebrating the turning of the seasons in our Celtic Festival weeks.

🌐 Findhorn Foundation

☺ going through our membership process



Islington Park Street Community

D4

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📞 Number 6408 on eurotopia.de/booklinks

📅 1973



♀9 ♂9 ♀1 👤18

🗣️ e, sp, i, Danish, Urdu

🗳️ everything is decided by consensus at house meetings (consensus)

👛 common purse for food and other bills

🏠 rented

🔄 self-managed



We welcome diversity in all its forms. We aim to operate with a consensus model. We aim towards environmental good practice.

😊 single, locally based and on low income.

Keveral Farm

A5

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🌐 www.keveral.org

📅 1973

🌳 12 ha (near Plymouth)

♀4 ♂6 ♀5 👤15

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♻️ 0 🗳️ 6

🗳️ everyone present at the co-op meetings (aim for consensus, but if not possible then majority vote)

👛 individual financing

🏠 housing co-operative

🌿 organic land management

👋 organic horticulture, orchard and soft fruit, trees, campsite

🔄 ecological, self-managed, permaculture, organic agriculture, organic gardening, forestry



Keveral Farm has been a community since 1973, when a group from London moved here to live the self-sufficiency life while helping people with drug-related problems.

The farmhouse and farm-buildings are owned by our housing co-op, and our workers co-op oversees the management of the land, which is organic. Ten adults plus kids live in the main house, a barn conversion, a wooden cabin, and 3 static caravans. The dwellings are largely self-contained, so we have a good amount of privacy.

We run a veg box business that started in 1997, which delivers to about 70 households each week. We have a small campsite including a yurt for hire, and a Visitor's Barn which is for volunteers, events and courses. We hold an annual two-week permaculture design course. The land consists of vegetable plots, polytunnels (plastic greenhouses), campsite, orchard, soft fruit, woodland, and pasture. These are rented out to community members. Other business activities include micro-salads, tree-work and firewood, apple juice and cider, and growing mushrooms on logs.

We have our own spring, a derelict water wheel, an ancient track through the woods to the sea (15 minutes walk), and a picnic spot overlooking the sea.

➔ See also description of network „**Radical Routes**“

L'Arche Bognor Regis Bradbury House

D5

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🌐 www.larchebognor.org.uk

📅 1978

🏡 4 ha (near Chichester)

♀20 ♂20 ♀0 👤40

👤42

❓ e

👤 management and a local committee (consensus)

👤 shared economy (shared income and capital) 🏠 community owned and rented

👤 Christian

👤 workshop, garden project, relaxation activities

👤 spiritual, Christian, ecumenical, mentally/psychologically handicapped persons, crafts, workshop, gardening, cooking, dance and theatre, music

😊 🙌

L'Arche Bognor Regis is a community of about 50 people in which people with and without learning disabilities live together as friends and family. We are part of the International Federation of L'Arche Communities.

We have 3 residential houses, a supported living house, a workshop (including weaving, rug making, candle making, dance and drama) and a garden project (which also includes hens, a wood workshop and pottery). We welcome people from all over the world who are keen to live and work with people with learning disabilities for a minimum of a year. We currently have people from 10 different countries ranging from 25 to 64 years old. We are a Christian Community, but accept people from all faiths and none. We are located by the sea in one of the sunniest towns in England. Our aim is to have fun and to live as a Christian Community in which each person grows in love, maturity and creativity.

➔ See also description of network „Arche nach Jean Vanier“

😊 the desire to live in community and work with people with learning disabilities

Laurieston Hall Housing Co-operative

C2

Laurieston Hall, Scotland | Castle Douglas DG7 2NB

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🌐 Number 3635 on eurotopia.de/booklinks

📅 1972

🏡 58 ha (near Dumfries) 🏠 85 %

♀9 ♂12 ♀2 👤23

❓ many

👤 most members 👤 all adults

👤 everyone in common (consensus)

👤 limited community financing

🏠 common property

👤 holiday centre, farm, woodland management

👤 self-managed, feminist, non-violent, self-sufficiency, conventional agriculture, conventional gardening, animal friendly husbandry, conventional farming, forestry, alternative energy, ecological construction, humour, therapy, sauna, card games, handicrafts: felt-making, woodworking, jewellery making, photography, volleyball



We live around a large country house: individually, as traditional family units or in the living group - in the main house, in small cottages or caravans. Each adult pays rent to the housing co-op and is domestically and economically independent. We enjoy a high degree of co-operation and caring. Much of what we eat is home-produced. There is a garden, a shop, and a workers co-op providing some income. We also have cows, calves, hens, bees and sometimes pigs (3/4 of us eat meat). We have woodstove-heating and our own hydroelectric scheme for the lighting and hot water. Part of what we call Work-share (2-3 days each week) is taking a share of responsibility by being on committees. Additionally everyone is expected to attend the weekly meetings and wood-collecting trips, and to take part in Maintenance Weeks each year. Visitors are invited to join in the building maintenance, gardening, land work and domestic work on Maintenance Weeks - the times when we function as one big group. Except for personal guests, we're not able to invite people to stay at other times. We are not actively seeking new members: people who want to join us should discuss the possibility with friends they make among residents during Maintenance Weeks.

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📅 2006 🏠 ♀1 ♂6 👥7

- 🔍 e 👤 all of us full time, plus volunteers
- 👤 live-in community, plus sometimes help from others (consensus)
- 👤 live-in members usually get board & lodging 🔑 rent free lease
- 👤 Catholic, personalist anarchist, pacifist.
- 👤 hospitality in the form of a refugee shelter and soup kitchen, anti-war resistance
- 👤 anarchistic, left-wing political understanding, non-violent, Christian, ecumenical, peace-work, organic gardening, peace work



The Catholic Worker Movement was founded in New York in 1933, initially as a newspaper and then houses of hospitality. There is no headquarters, each community is autonomous. CW communities are built around doing the works of mercy, and based in houses of hospitality as places to do the corporal and spiritual works of mercy. Our life and witness is based around the three themes of hospitality, non-violent resistance and community. The London CW group started in 2000, around support work for the Jubilee Ploughshares 2000 disarmament action. Our first house started in 2006. We mainly host destitute asylum seekers. Currently our anti-war focus is on solidarity with war resisters, especially former military. This has been focussing on Bradley Manning, Julian Assange and Wikileaks. And, on anti-drones work. We depend totally on donations for our work. We publish a newsletter, the „London Catholic Worker“.

→ See also description of network „**European Catholic Worker**“

☺ sympathetic with or at least open to Christian pacifist anarchist views

Milltown Camphill Community

D2

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🌐 www.milltowncommunity.org.uk

📅 1975 🌳 3,4 ha (near Stonehaven) ♀ 7 ♂ 7 ♀ 3 👤 17

🗨️ e

👥 a management team and an external Management Council (consensus)

🏠 fees charged to local authorities 🗝️ held in trust by a charitable trust

🌍 anthroposophical - but open to people of all faiths or none

👤 life-sharing and purposeful work with adults with disabilities

🌀 spiritual, anthroposophic, adult education, mentally/psychologically handicapped persons, organic gardening, animal friendly husbandry, alternative energy, ecological construction, accessible to the disabled, crafts, woodwork, tools for self-sufficiency, small shop, small plant nursery



see description of Camphill network

➔ See also description of network „Camphill“

😊 a commitment to life-sharing with adults with learning disabilities

Monkton Wyld Court

B5

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🌐 www.monktonwyldcourt.co.uk

📅 1982 🌳 4,8 ha (near Exeter) ♀ 5 ♂ 4 ♀ 2 👤 11

🗨️ e

♻️ None 🗝️ all of us

👥 everyone in common (consensus)

🗝️ common till

🗝️ trust

🌍 education and sustainability

👤 gardening, farmwork, catering, housekeeping

🌀 ecological, self-managed, non-violent, inner growth, meditation, yoga, organic diet, vegetarian diet, vegan diet, adult education, seminar-house, environmental protection, self-sufficiency, permaculture, organic agriculture, organic gardening, conventional gardening, organic farming, animal friendly husbandry, forestry, alternative energy, ecological construction, humour



Monkton Wyld Court is an educational charity run by a resident community of about a dozen adults, plus children and animals. The 11-acre grounds include a 14-bedroom Victorian rectory, a converted stable block and other outbuildings, a large organic vegetable garden, terraced lawns, fields, woods and stream. Facilities include a library, art hut, workshop and piano room.

Living at Monkton is a full-time commitment. Each morning we meet together to talk and plan the day. Cooking, cleaning, etc. is organised by rota, but each resident is also responsible for specific areas of work, from gardening to admin. We generate income

through a programme of educational courses and other events.

We have weekly business meetings where we make decisions by consensus. We are committed to making continual improvements to our levels of ecological sustainability, and usefulness to the wider community as an educational resource.

We welcome volunteers to work with us for one week initially. Volunteers often return for longer visits, and sometimes end up living here.

Ned

D3

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2001

(near Nottingham)

10

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co-op members (consensus)

property of the co-op

social change



Ned's housing co-operative is based in Nottingham, U.K. We currently have 10 members from a range of ages, nationalities and backgrounds. We are part of the Radical Routes network of co-ops and are working for positive social change. If you would like further details about our work then email us in the first instance.

→ See also description of network „**Radical Routes**“

☺ contact for further details

Oakleigh

D3

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2000

(near Sheffield) 5 %

♀4 ♂4 8

e

big investment decisions are taken by the owners (majority vote or consensus, depending on the importance)

individual financing

property of 3 people, renting to 5 more

ecological, vegetarian diet, organic gardening, alternative energy

We are a communal household with 4 good-sized rooms for long term tenants, located in Burngreave: 15 min from Sheffield town centre.

Occasionally we host guests on short courses in Sheffield, and at times the house is quieter. This gives the house an ever changing rhythm between large communal meals of more than ten around the table down to times when only a couple of people are around. The mix of different individuals brings an eclectic diversity to conversations, bringing in social, environmental and cultural perspectives, and interests ranging from gardening, dance, and climbing, through to circus and performance. The house is run on a very flexible basis, with communal buying of vegetarian food stocks, but private ownership of food, and some input into recycling, maintenance and cleaning of the house.

When we bought the house in 2000 with support from the Ecological Building Society

it needed considerable work but it is now a beautiful home. We made our restoration of the house as sympathetic and as low impact as possible, and have invested in sheep's wool insulation, solar hot water, condensing boiler, efficient wood stove, and low emission paints. More recent additions have included a pond, raised fruit and veg beds, and solar PV.

Old Chapel Farm Tylwych

B4

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🌐 www.oldchapelfarm.org

📅 2000

🏡 40 ha (near Hereford) 🐄 60 %

♀ 5 ♂ 4 🐑 1 👤 10

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👤 different community members for different areas of responsibility, all for really important ones (for really important ones - consensus)

👤 individual financing

🔑 property of two members

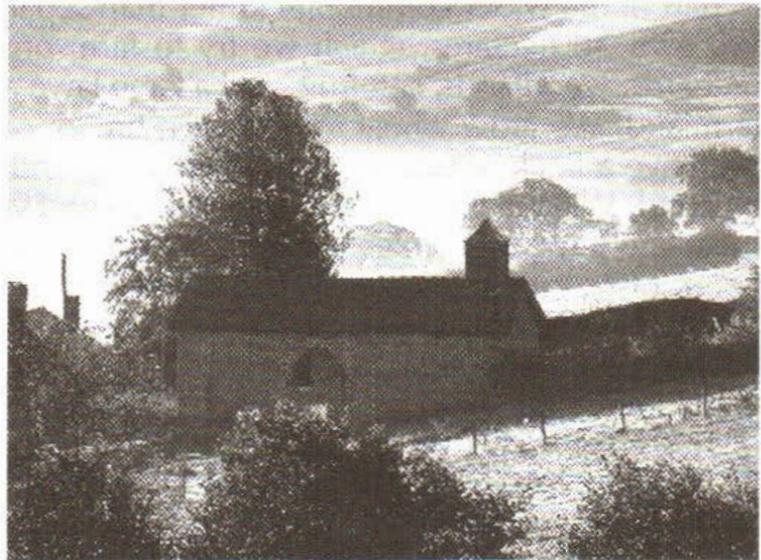
👤 self sufficiency in food production, woodland management, archaeology

👤 ecological, self-managed, spiritual, adult education, mentally/psychologically handicapped persons, environmental protection, self-sufficiency, organic agriculture, organic gardening, organic farming, animal friendly husbandry, forestry, alternative energy, new technologies, ecological construction, humour, traditional crafts, archaeology, prehistory

😊 🙌

We are a small community living close to the land and producing as much of our own food/fuel as possible. We have a special interest in prehistory and have started the construction of a working Neolithic settlement, combining our passions for agriculture and archaeology.

Our aim is to live simply and creatively, including many others in our work, as volunteers or attending courses in prehistoric arts and sustainable living. On our farm, we manage the land for biodiversity and try to create a beautiful and peaceful meeting space for people of many cultures to live and work together. We use inspiration from the past to help find creative solutions for a more sustainable future in a rapidly changing world.



Old Hall Community

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🌐 www.oldhall.org.uk

📅 1974 🏡 30 ha (near Ipswich and Colchester) 🐄 80 % ♀ 22 ♂ 25 🍷 10

👥 55 - 60

🗨️ e, g, f, sp

🗨️👥 all members (consensus)

🔑 property of members

📖 commitment, consideration, communication, co-operation

👤 self sufficient organic food production and consumption

🌿 ecological, self-managed, left-wing political understanding, feminist, non-violent, spiritual, Christian, Buddhist, esoteric/New Age, chaotic, inner growth, meditation, yoga, organic diet, peace-work, environmental protection, self-sufficiency, permaculture, organic agriculture, organic gardening, organic farming, animal friendly husbandry, alternative energy, humour, accessible to the disabled, non smoking

👥 everyone

👥 common financing



We are a group of families and individuals who have chosen to live together in a large old building in rural Suffolk. There are approximately 60 people living here, though that can vary from year to year. A number of the founder members from 1974 still live here and, although people come and go, we are a fairly settled community. We see ourselves as part of the wider community rather than separated from it.

We own 30 hectares, which we try to farm organically. We have vegetable gardens, orchards, woodlands, soft fruit, and a large lawn and play area, plus pastures and arable farmland. We grow wheat for our own bread, oats and other crops for animal fodder. We have a flock of Lincoln Longwool sheep and Redpoll dairy cows which are milked by hand. We make our own butter, cheese and yoghurt. We are largely self-sufficient in meat and some vegetables, although we do buy in whole foods, fish and other foodstuffs. Some of us are vegetarian. We also have chickens, geese, bees, pigs and cats. What livestock we have at any particular time depends on who is willing to manage them. We have a 'no dogs' policy.

→ See also description of network „**WWOOF**“

🌐 we have hosted PBI, IVS, Transition Town, WWOOF small conferences and meetings

😊 egalitarian green ideology, a capital investment

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 🗓 1998 🏠 ♀26 ♂0 ♀0 👥26
 🔄 self-managed 😊

This is a group of women aged over 50 who intend to set up a cohousing community in High Barnet, London in 2015. They will manage this themselves and will live as friendly, supportive neighbours.

- 🌐 UK Cohousing Network
- 😊 commit to OWCH values

Postlip Hall C4

Winchcombe | Cheltenham GL54 5AQ 🌐 <http://postliphall.org.uk>
 ✉ PHA.cohousing@gmail.com
 🗓 1970 🌳 6 ha (near Cheltenham) ♀9 ♂8 ♀7 👥24

- 🔍 e
- 👥 everyone in common (consensus) 🔑 co-ownership housing association
- 🎉 having fun together, garden & estate work, events
- 🔄 ecological, environmental protection, self-sufficiency, organic gardening, animal friendly husbandry, forestry, humour



Postlip Hall is a large, Grade 1 listed, Jacobean manor house with 15 acres of land, situated in a quiet valley, surrounded by woods. It's divided into eight family living units and members' ages range from 2 to 70 plus. Although we eat together sometimes, we live independent family lives. Postlip works as a Housing Association, meeting formally every month to discuss, plan, inform, and make decisions. The Association recruits a new family to buy in by advertising in "Members Needed" on their homepage, you can only live here if you're a member and a leaseholder.

Stewardship of our listed buildings is a focus for the community and is supported by a monthly ground rent from each unit and by income from the events that we organise. These range from the Cotswold Beer Festival and wedding celebrations in our magnificent 14th Century tithe barn to more intimate musical and dramatic performances in the main hall. We work communally in our organic vegetable garden, look after our animals (sheep, chickens, bees, pigs and ducks; some members have cats but no dogs) and maintain and improve the woods, grounds and walls of the estate.

Children are important here and they thrive in the space and the opportunities that life at Postlip offers them. We are environmentally conscious. If you'd like to get to know Postlip better then the best way is to work alongside us on our monthly WWOOF weekends – email us to arrange this.

Redfield Community

D4

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🌐 www.redfieldcommunity.org.uk

📅 1978

🌳 7 ha (near Aylesbury, Milton Keynes)

♀7 ♂8 ♀6 👤21

🗣️ e, g, Czech, Arabic,

👤 none

🗣️ all decide in consensus (fortnightly meeting)

🏠 individual/limited community financing

🏠 housing co-operative

🌿 environmental and ecological focus

👤 property maintenance, food production, living together

👤 ecological, self-managed, non-violent, environmental protection, permaculture, organic gardening, animal friendly husbandry, alternative energy, ecological construction, humour, football, volleyball

😊 🙌

We are a community living together in a large country house in Buckinghamshire. The buildings are situated in an area of 7ha with gardens, fields, newly planted and older trees. Redfield was established in 1978 and has developed progressively towards closer community. We live together as a single household, eat together and share the work. We try to be self-reliant, producing our own fruit, vegetables and meat using organic techniques. We make decisions through consensus at our weekly meeting. One meeting a month has no agenda and offers the possibility to examine and celebrate different aspects of our communal lives. Spending so much time together places many private and common demands on us. Coping with them can be worthwhile and inspiring. We have found that the result of this way of life is just as great and positive as the effort we put into it.

The Abbey The Green Sutton Courtenay

C4

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🌐 www.theabbey.uk.com

📅 1980

🌳 1,6 ha (near Oxford)

♀2 ♂2 ♀0 👤6

🗣️ e

👤 all

🗣️ everyone together / part of the group (in a circle, with space and silence)

🏠 trust

🌿 holistic spirituality, universal Christian root, open to all faiths and those with no faith

👤 education and retreat centre

👤 self-managed, spiritual, Christian, ecumenical, Buddhist, Taoist, esoteric/New Age, chaotic, inner growth, meditation, vegetarian diet, organic gardening

😊 🙌

The Abbey is a beautiful and historic 13th Century house. It is set round a peaceful courtyard, surrounded by informal gardens. It is a place which encourages the growth of a holistic spiritual life. This requires nourishing our relationships with the divine, our true selves, the Earth and the world-wide community. Our own community seeks to be inclusive: we welcome all who are searching, whether or not they find themselves within a particular faith. The source and inspiration of the ongoing work here has been the ecu-

menical Christian tradition. The emphasis is on the mystical expression of this tradition, which draws us to interfaith exploration and the incarnating of a universal vision.

☺ spiritual seeking outlook, willingness to be open and inclusive

The Catholic Worker Farm Lynsters Farm

D4

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🌐 www.thecatholicworkerfarm.org

📅 2007

🏡 1 ha (near London)

🌱 85 %

♀ 16

♂ 1

👤 8

👥 25

🗣️ e, Swedish

♻️ 4 🧰 4

🗣️ 5 core community members (consensus (99% of the time))

🗣️ limited common funding, volunteers must be self-sufficient

🗝️ rented at 2 locations

🏛️ Christian/Catholic

👤 we do the works of mercy, resistance to war and grow organic vegetables.

🔄 ecological, self-managed, anarchistic, left-wing political understanding, non-violent, Christian, inner growth, vegetarian diet, work, resistance

☺ 🧰

Our primary reason for existence is to serve and love the poor and in the process discover that we too are poor and are loved. We take care of 18 homeless women and children who are without papers. These have suffered greatly. We offer legal direction, psychotherapy, food and accommodation, fun and love. The women help to maintain the houses. We in the Core Community work a 5 day week, gardening and doing repairs, selling bread and looking after the needs of our women and children.



→ See also description of network „**European Catholic Worker**“

☺ we ask that new members defer to the Catholic Worker tradition.

The Community Project Melanie Nock

D5

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🌐 cohousing.org.uk/community-project-laughton

📅 1999

🏡 9,3 ha (near Lewes, East Sussex)

🌱 2 %

♀ 21

♂ 18

👤 24

👥 63

🗣️ e, (f)

🗝️ about 50% work from home/community owned office

🗣️ everyone (consensus)

🗣️ individual financing; shared financial responsibility for maintenance of land and common areas

🗝️ properties owned by members; shared land and common house

🔄 self-managed



Laughton Lodge is a rural, intergenerational cohousing community. Although we are currently working on a new mission statement, our overall aim is to create a cooperative environment which transcends the isolation many families experience living in modern cities. We have no rigid philosophy and most of us work outside the community but we aim to create a community in which the whole is greater than the sum of its parts - offering opportunities to all members which they would not otherwise have had. This ranges from the freedom for children to range over our large site and play together in an „old fashioned way“ to the opportunity to share in the keeping of animals which need too much space or work for a single family, the opportunity to share resources like cars or tools, share skills, and join with others in creating new enterprises. We benefit from the range of skills - for example the artists amongst us share their work, those with skills in gardening or animal husbandry or event organisation provide other benefits. And there are enough of us to have a good party.

- UK Cohousing Network (headquarters)
- usually have to be able to buy a house



The Findhorn Foundation The Park



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www.findhorn.org

1962

10 ha (near Inverness)

80 60 25 144

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everyone in common (consensus)

individual financing

Findhorn Foundation

spiritual

education, gardening, kitchen, workshops, spiritual, ecological

ecological, self-managed, non-violent, spiritual, inner growth, meditation, organic diet, vegetarian diet, adult education, peace-work, physically handicapped persons, self-sufficiency, permaculture, organic gardening, organic farming, forestry, alternative energy, new technologies, ecological construction, humour, accessible to the disabled, ecovillage, non-traditional healing, handicrafts, art



The Findhorn Foundation has been known internationally since 1962 for its experiments with new models for holistic and sustainable living. Today it is at the heart of the largest intentional community in the UK and the centre of this rapidly developing ecovillage. Started in a caravan park in the North-East of Scotland, the Findhorn Foundation is now conducting programmes for more than 4,000 residential visitors a year from over 50 countries. Co-operation and co-creation with nature has always been a major aspect of the Foundations work and from its earliest days it became well known for its beautiful gardens grown in adverse conditions on the sand dunes of the Findhorn peninsula. Since 1981 the Findhorn Foundation has been involved in the development of the ecovillage as a natural continuation of its work with nature. A number of other organisations within the community work in partnership with the Foundation to help make the ecovillage a reality. The community is comprised of approximately 400 individuals who live and work in this rural area of Scotland. They come from over 40 countries to join the experiment

in discovering what is necessary for joyful, sustainable living. The built environment is gradually growing to reflect shared ecological values.

→ See also description of network „GEN Europe“

-  UNESCO
-  experience week

The Well at Willen The Well

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 1997

 (near Milton Keynes)

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 provincial & director and all who are concerned (generally consensus)

 limited common financing

 owned by our order, The Society of the Sacred Mission

 Christian ecumenical, interfaith

 retreats, hospitality, library, peace work

 ecological, non-violent, spiritual, Christian, ecumenical, peace-work, organic gardening, accessible to the disabled, non smoking, social work: asylum seekers, refugees & homeless, respite care / retreats, art: music, some drama, clay & art work, other: workshops on various themes relating to our spiritual program

The Well at Willen is a community of professed members and associates of the Society of the Sacred Mission, single people, couples and families mainly Anglican but drawn from other faith traditions, attempting to live a contemporary expression of religious life through our values of spirituality, hospitality, inclusivity, peace, justice and sustainability. Both in Milton Keynes and in partnership with our local and global communities.

We are people who want to devote our lives to the service of that which we call God, through service to others, by offering all who come to The Well the opportunity to discover healing and wholeness and develop gifts that they may not have been aware of.

We are committed to valuing and supporting others and ourselves equally, within a spirit of honesty, love, reconciliation and compassion and by reflection, discussion and action, to encourage ways of renewing human community.

-  Christian communities
-  financial and ideological



Threshold Centre

C5

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2005

(near Bristol)

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all

ecological, self-managed, non-violent, spiritual, meditation, organic diet, permaculture, organic gardening, humour



The Threshold Centre at Cole Street Farm is a unique, pioneering cohousing community and sustainable education centre, which aims to demonstrate a way of life, which is more green, affordable, and neighbourly. Cohousing combines small, self-contained homes with shared facilities, which are a key part of this.

The Centre runs regular courses on cohousing and other subjects.

Having operated on a pilot basis since late 2004, the Threshold Centre won planning permission and grant funding in 2008 to create a cohousing scheme at Cole Street Farm. It consists of fourteen dwellings, seven of which are affordable rent and shared ownership with a local housing association - a first in the short history of cohousing in this country. There is also a common house with shared facilities and guest rooms, green energy systems and a community market garden.

The Threshold Centre shows how to achieve major cuts in the three main aspects of domestic carbon emissions: home energy, food and travel.



Tinker's Bubble

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1994

16 ha (near Yeovil) 60%

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everyone (consensus)

limited common financing

property of all

environmentalist

forestry, vegetables, apple juice

ecological, self-managed, non-violent, organic diet, pedagogical, environmental protection, self-sufficiency, permaculture, organic agriculture, organic gardening, organic farming, animal friendly husbandry, forestry, alternative energy, ecological construction



Tinker's Bubble is a small woodland community which uses environmentally sound methods of working the land without fossil fuels.

We have planning permission for self-built houses on the condition that we make a living from the land. We make our monetary incomes mainly through forestry, apple work and gardening. As a result we're money poor but otherwise rich! We manage about 28 acres of Douglas fir, larch, and mixed broadleaf woodland using hand tools, horses, and

a wood-fired steam-powered sawmill. We press apple juice for sale, grow most of our own vegetables, keep cows, chickens and bees. We make loads of preserves, including cider and cheese. We have solar powered 12 V electricity, spring water on tap, and use compost toilets. We burn wood for cooking, heating, and for hot water in the bath-house. Most people wash their clothes by hand. We eat little meat (mostly game), and try to cater for all diets. Though some of us would consider ourselves to be spiritual, we have no shared spirituality. Life is lived mostly outdoors, so it's cold in the winter, but we live on the top of a steep hill, so there's plenty of chances to get warm!

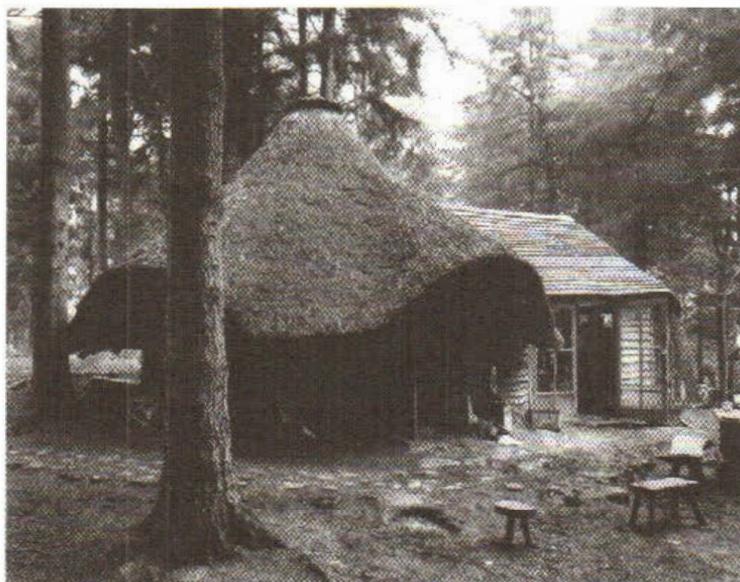


Foto: David Spero

- ☺ must be passionate about working the land and sustainability



Tipi Village Tipi Valley



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💻 www.diggersanddreamers.org.uk

📅 1976

🌳 80 ha (near Swansea)

👤 150 %

♀ 23 ♂ 27 👶 30 👥 80

🗳️ all who are concerned (consensus)

👤 individually self-employed

🌍 property of planet Earth

🌿 eco-pagan

👂 living in harmony with nature, forest planting etc.

🔗 ecological, anarchistic, environmental protection, self-sufficiency, permaculture, organic gardening, forestry, ecological construction, tipis, yurts, straw bale round-houses



To be honest, we're a bunch of hippies, some of us 'originals'. Tipi Valley is high in the Welsh hills, on 200 acres that we have bought bit by bit over 37 years. Our oldest land has already reverted to temperate rainforest.

The idea is that we are part of nature, living within nature. Thus all our homes are low-impact dwellings such as tipis, yurts, domes and thatched or turf-roofed round houses. We are a village, not a commune, and everyone is responsible for their own economy. We do not have regular business meetings, and we never vote. It works by consensus and personal relationships. Dogs are not welcome. And cats have a very negative impact on the environment. Village spirituality is natural, mostly expressed in chanting and drumming at the sweatlodge (sauna) and at Big Lodge get-togethers. Over 100 home births. Education at home or at local schools. It's a survival lifestyle, 100% nature. It's wild!

- ☺ no dogs, no cats; no guns

Trelay Cohousing Community

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www.trelay.org

2007

13 ha 10 %

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varies

all of us (consensus)

individual financing but mutual home ownership

owned by a workers cooperative (non-profit company)

sustainable

local food, local energy

ecological, self-managed, non-violent, spiritual, Christian, Buddhist, Taoist, esoteric/New Age, meditation, yoga, organic diet, adult education, environmental protection, self-sufficiency, permaculture, organic agriculture, organic gardening, organic farming, animal friendly husbandry, forestry, alternative energy, new technologies, ecological construction, humour, accessible to the disabled, benign capitalism; sustainable enterprises; synergistic activities using waste from one as a resource for another; diversity; freedom with respect.



Trelay is a cohousing community in North Cornwall, with 11 individual living spaces and several community buildings on 30 acres of land. We aim towards environmental, social and financial sustainability. We live in a beautiful location with sea views. The peace and quiet, buzzards and butterflies, starry skies and occasional gales soothe and stir the spirit. We have lots of fun together and many ideas for new projects too, which will involve some hard work! If you would you like to come and find out more about us, you could come on a course, visit as a working volunteer, or join us on an Interest Weekend.



Wincobank Friends of Wincobank Hill

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🌐 www.wincobankhill.btck.co.uk

📅 2008



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🗣️ committee (consensus)

🌀 heritage, environment and community



Community based group of volunteers mainly living within 5 miles of Wincobank Iron Age Hillfort, Sheffield. Main interests are community engagement in heritage activities and the responsible guardianship of the green open space in the area and protection of the Scheduled Ancient Monument and Ancient Woodland which overlooks Sheffield's industrial Don Valley.

😊 interest or residence

Woodhead Community

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✉ info@woodheadcom.org

🌐 www.woodheadcom.org

📅 1992

🌳 0,8 ha (near Forres, Morayshire)

👤 80 %

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👤 11

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🗣️ whole group or individual decisions (discussion)

💰 individual financing and communal food buying

🏠 property of 4 members

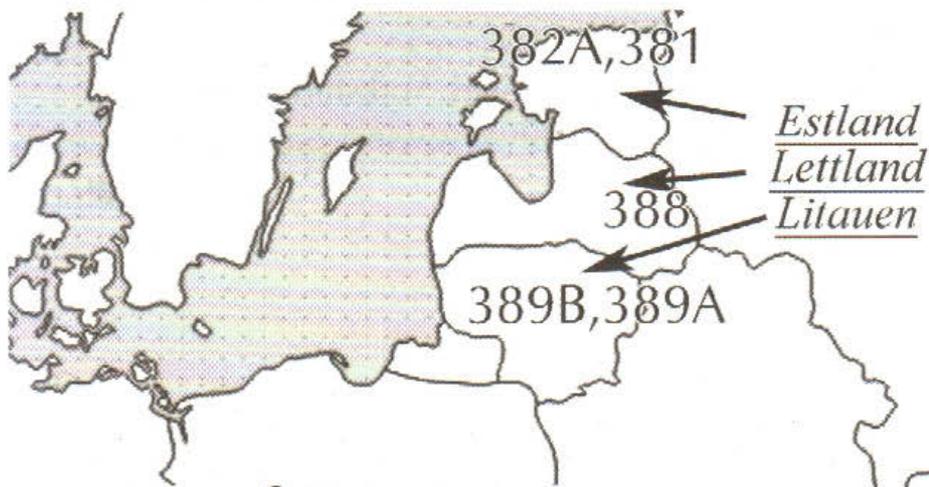
🌀 garden with organic vegetable production, individual work

🌀 ecological, self-managed, left-wing political understanding, non-violent, spiritual, inner growth, organic diet, environmental protection, self-sufficiency, organic gardening, forestry, new technologies, family, art, crafts, therapy

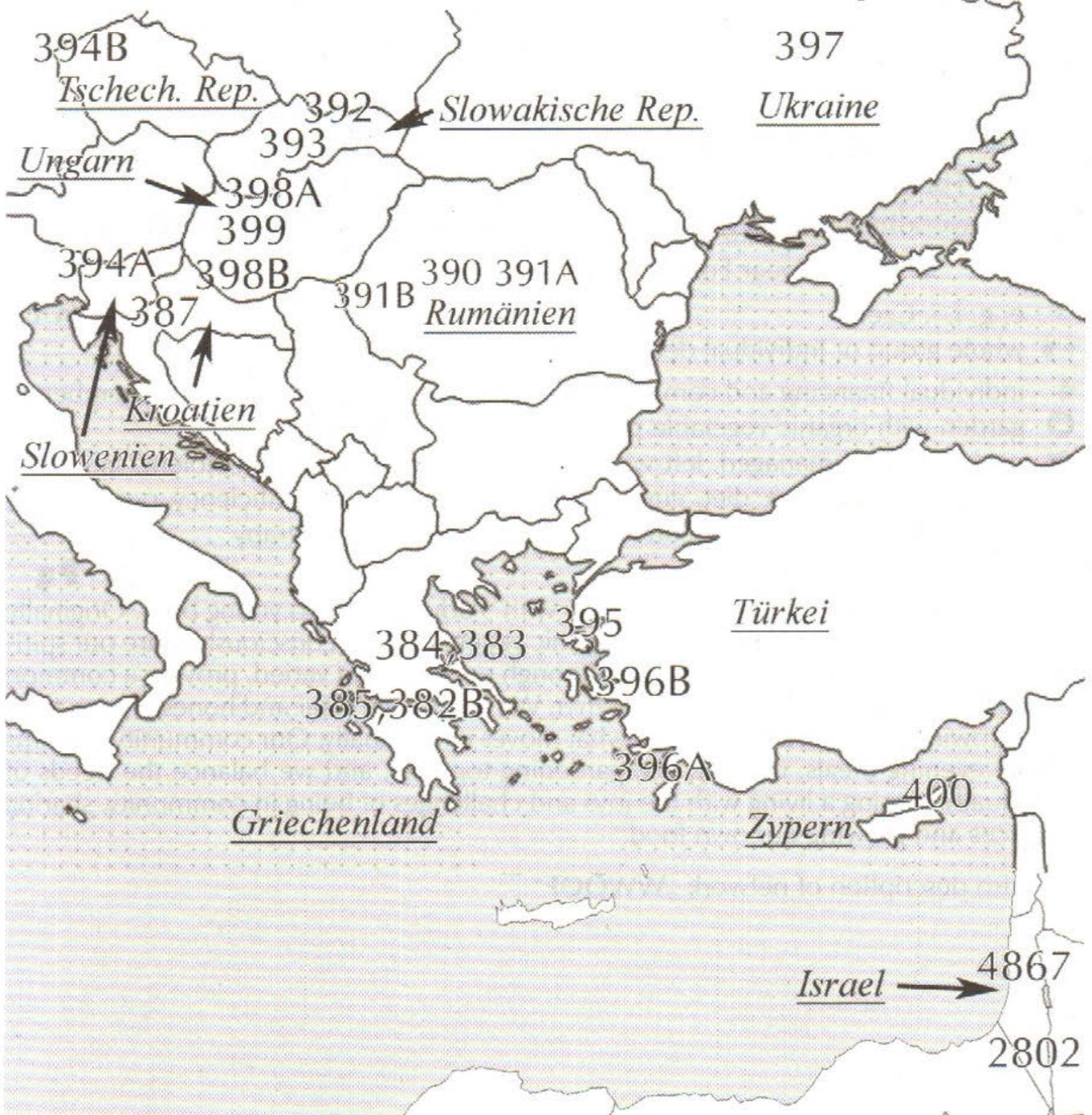
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Woodhead is a rural community, currently with 9 adults and two young boys. Originally based on raising families and growing organic vegetables, we consciously share our spiritual, political and social values; which, although personal and varied, provide a common ground for us to live and work well together. We encourage clear and honest interaction, and a growing personal awareness of what moves us spiritually. Our community rhythms include evening meals, cooking and gardening together, and we balance the needs of individually earning a living with the joys and challenges of being in community, sharing resources and growing our own food.

→ See also description of network „**WWOOF**“



More of Europe



Croatia

Recycled Estate Reciklirano imanje

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2001

2 ha (near Velika Gorica)

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e, Croatian

all who are concerned (consensus)

individual financing, limited common financing

mixed property

non-violent communication, sustainability

permaculture, sustainable living, education

ecological, self-managed, non-violent, vegetarian diet, adult education, pedagogical, seminar-house, environmental protection, self-sufficiency, permaculture, organic gardening, alternative energy, ecological construction, construction



Recycled Estate, formed in 2000, is an ecological settlement and permaculture education centre situated in a small village near Zagreb. We organize educational activities at the estate, in schools and elsewhere, across the country and abroad. We are developing a garden, seed collection and book library.

Cyprus

Buyukkonuk Eco-Village, North Cyprus

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2005

(near Famagusta)

60

e, Turkish

ruling committee of association (voting, consensus)

everybody owns or rents their own house

intangible cultural heritage, traditional village lifestyle

learning and preserving traditional skills and lifestyles, individual farming, animal husbandry, eco-tourism

ecological, adult education, environmental protection, conventional gardening, conventional farming, ecological construction, cultural development, sustainability, preserving traditional village life, crafts, festivals



Our village is an indigenous village in North Cyprus. Our association is a committee of villagers who pay a yearly membership fee and have the right to vote on decisions. We own a designation of origin logo and our goal is to use this to create income by charging

users of special local products and crafts for logo use. The association is trying to make the village more ecological and we have chosen eco-tourism as the best model for sustainable rural development. There has been some success, specifically among empowerment of women, youth finding employment in the village with restaurants and B&B accommodation, revival of traditional crafts, cuisine and practices. Bi-annual festivals in May and October provide a boost to many villager's incomes as well as Sunday markets during the winter. Some goals we hope achieve: increased organic farming and permaculture practices, also increased use of alternative energies and rain-water harvesting.

→ See also description of network „GEN Europe“

- 🌐 We are involved with universities, schools, tourism projects as a training and observation area.
- 😊 members have to own Turkish Cypriot legal identity

Czech Republic

Osho Shangri La Osho Meditation Center

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🌐 shangrila.sannyas-on.net, www.familyconstellation.org

📅 1995

🏡 4 ha (near Carlsbad)

👤 20 %

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👤 one part of the group (consensus)

👤 individual and limited community financing

🔑 property of individual community members

👤 Osho

🌱 gardening, cooking

🌱 ecological, self-managed, spiritual, meditation, organic diet, vegetarian diet, pedagogical, seminar-house, environmental protection, permaculture, organic agriculture, organic gardening, alternative energy, new technologies, ecological construction, therapy



The Shangri La OMC is a place of lively togetherness for people who love silence and untouched nature. The centre is located in a wide, wild, silent and natural landscape near Carlsbad in the Czech Republic, 50 km from the German border. There are daily meditations and a wide range of offers for meditation and therapy. Our spiritual leader is Osho. Members of the community share seven houses. An additional house hosts meditation- and seminar room, kitchen, dining hall as well as the guest area. All dwellings are within generous gardens with old trees, ponds and fields.

🌐 Osho

😊 meditation experience and/or interest in meditation/Osho

Estonia



Lilleoru Center

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🌐 www.lilleoru.ee

📅 1993 🌳 20 ha (near Tallinn) 🏠 15-40 % ♀ 28 ♂ 14 🐾 8 👥 50

🗣 e, g, f, Estonian, Finnish, Russian ♻ 6 🧑 7

🗣 different ways: sometimes meeting of all members (mostly majority vote in general meeting; consensus)

🏠 limited common financing, community owned business 🏠 property of all

🧘 holistic view on human nature and practices for self-transformation

🎓 adult education

🌿 ecological, self-managed, non-violent, leader/guru, spiritual, inner growth, meditation, yoga, organic diet, vegetarian diet, adult education, seminar-house, permaculture, organic gardening, forestry, ecological construction, kriya yoga



Lilleoru is a spiritual-ecological community in Estonia, established 20 years ago. The core of our activities is expressed in the saying "Change yourself – and the world around you will change."

The project was started by a spiritual study group of about 20 people, who gathered around the well-known Estonian spiritual teacher Ingvar Villido. Activities started from yogic practices and various experiments in inner transformation and establishing a common learning place, but the scope has remarkably grown throughout the years. For today, all four aspects of a community – spiritual, social, ecological and economical – are equally important to us.

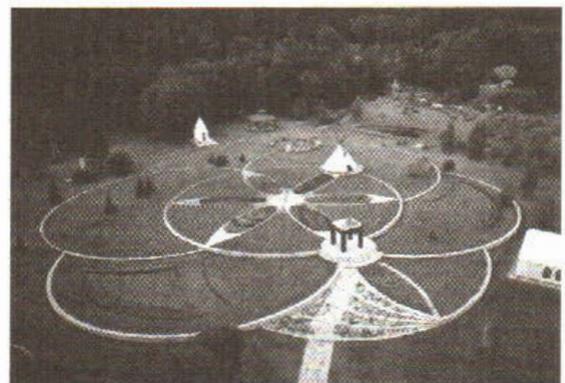
At the moment, 50 persons live at the community premises and SkyEarth ecovillage. Our non-profit organization has about 65 members, but this does not define the size of the community. There are several hundred people in Estonia and abroad who are closely connected to the place and whom we consider to be part of our community. About 40-50 persons carry regular voluntary tasks and this is mainly how the project has been built up and brought forward. Some people are employed by our organization.

Our community is running a training centre (currently working on building a new main house called AVATUD, as the old one does not correspond to present needs and the quickly growing number of visitors) and an ashram (in Babaji's Kriya Yoga and Haidakhan Babaji lineages).

We have 20 hectares of land with a unique Flower of Life park, a herb and fruit/vegetable garden (organic and permaculture principles) and we have a future vision for the territory.

→ See also description of network „GEN Europe“

🌐 GEN-Estonia, Network of Haidakhan Babaji ashrams and Babajis Kriya Yoga



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1992

120 ha (near Kohila)

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- 🔍 g, e, Estonian ♻️ all 🗑️ all
- 🗑️ the co-workers (consensus) 🏠 state, income from sales, donations
- 🔑 property of the trust, rented and property of the state
- 🌱 member of the Camphill movement, Christian, anthroposophic, bio-dynamic agriculture
- 👤 people with special needs, bio-dynamic farming, community
- 🚫 ecological, self-managed, Christian, anthroposophic, adult education, mentally/psychologically handicapped persons, organic agriculture, organic gardening, organic farming, arttherapies, workshops, introductory course for volunteers, seminar, no alcohol, no drugs



See description of Camphill network

→ See also description of network „Camphill“

- 😊 motivaton to work with special people and on the farm. Openness towards anthroposophy

Greece

Estia Agios Nikolaos

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1993

2.8 ha (near Galaxidi, Amfissa)

10 %

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- 🔍 Greek, e, sp, f 🗑️ all and 5 external partners
- 🗑️ all the residents and office staff and the board (consensus) 🔑 ownership
- 🌱 respect for people and the environment
- 👤 making jewellery, pottery workshop, gardening.
- 🚫 non-violent, mentally/psychologically handicapped persons, environmental protection, organic agriculture, organic gardening, animal friendly husbandry, accessible to the disabled, pottery, handicapped, disabled



Estia Agios Nikolaos is a community of people with and without developmental disabilities, in which all members live, work and spend their free time together in small family structures. At the moment there are three houses functioning, each one accommodating a „family“, as well as two workshops, a conference hall and a small coffee shop on private land of 28 acres. Each house hosts from 6 to 8 co-workers (people with developmental disabilities) who live together with the house parents (staff) and volunteers. There is also

support staff from the local community, who help with household tasks and run activities such as art therapy, physiotherapy, gymnastics and music.

In the mornings, all residents are involved in the work of the community, in pottery workshops, making jewellery, embroidery, cultivating the farm and household work. The afternoons are devoted to music, exercising, practising musical instruments, walking, and -in the summertime- swimming. The weekends are dedicated to artistic and spiritual activities, such as small trips, musical events, theatre and participation in local celebrations.

Estia Agios Nikolaos is situated in Galaxidi, next to the sea and not far from Mt. Parnassos. There are buses running regularly to the towns of Itea and Amfissa (the province capital). The capital of Greece, Athens, is 200 km away.



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🌐 www.kalikalos.com

📅 2001

🏠 1300 m² (near Volos)

👤 10-15 %

👥 10-30

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👤 partly the community, partly the project focalizer (we are learning to do it in a sociocratic way)

👤 individually financed, main income from workshops

🔑 rented

👤 holistic education

👤 everything which is needed to make a community with an organic garden run

👤 ecological, self-managed, non-violent, leader/guru, spiritual, inner growth, meditation, yoga, free love, organic diet, vegetarian diet, adult education, pedagogical, free school, seminar-house, peace-work, one-world development, environmental protection, self-sufficiency, permaculture, organic agriculture, organic gardening, humour; education mixed with holidays, sea and wonderful nature

😊 🙌

The Kalikalos Holistic Centre is a seasonal community-based living-learning summer school which offers holistic workshops, retreats, conferences and workcamps combined with a beach holiday in the summer in Greece. We host workshops in arts & crafts, healing (self, society and planet), interpersonal communication, and self enquiry. We are dedicated to exploring new caring, egalitarian, cooperative and sustainable models of living, working and relating.

Our motto is: „A holiday in the sun, practising building a world where you can live your truth, and make it count“. Our parent non profit organisation, the Holly Foundation, is a micro multinational and its Kalikalos summer school (in English) is staffed entirely by

international volunteers, sharing the values of idealist.org.

We welcome applications for volunteers or intern staff positions from May through to September. Our staff volunteers and 3-4 month interns are actually part of the teaching faculty at the summer school. They model holistic living and working and provide the community context in which all our workshops and retreats take place. Please visit our website. At kalikalos.com/eNews you can also sign up for our bi-monthly newsletter.

→ See also description of network „GEN Europe“

☺ your interest in living in a community

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 hello@spititonkentavron.org, swhic@hotmail.com  www.spititonkentavron.org
 2008  (near Volos)  10 %

🗺 e, Greek

🗺 all who are concerned (trying for consensus)

🗺 individual financing

🗺 rented

🗺 communication skills , ecovillage design education

🗺 ecological, non-violent, vegetarian diet, environmental protection, permaculture, new technologies

☺ 🗺

Spiti ton Kentavron is a small-scale project exploring and experimenting with sustainable ways of living. Our focus is on creating a mini-ecovillage to act as a laboratory where new ideas can be tested out within the framework of a small, dynamic community. Small is beautiful!

Here on the Eastern Coast of the Pelion Peninsula you can combine holiday-making with sustainable education, an education exploring and expanding the perceived limits of human potential. Our curriculum promotes a shift from the shrunken sense of self to a wider, more resilient sense of our true ecological self - a sense of We. We invite you to share with us your dream for a new integrated world permeated with the values of communal sharing. We invite you to ... create a miracle!

→ See also description of network „GEN Europe“

🗺 Gaia education

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 1979

 50 ha

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🗺 one group votes (decision by majority)

🗺 common purse

🗺 the community

🗺 caring for the nature around us

🗺 self-managed, animal protection, environmental protection, alternative energy



The peninsula was bought in 1979 by approximately 200 people who were looking for an alternative way of life.

Our property consists of 50 ha with 800 olive-trees, many of them hundreds of years old. In the first years of the "Sarakiniko Alternative Life Ltd.", 70 people settled on the peninsula.

Next to various self-finding groups in a quiet and beautiful nature, in an almost totally informal space, they started planting vegetables, collected olives, produced olive-tree-items, knitted things from wool, kept bees, baked bread and did a lot to earn some money and survive.

After some wonderful and chaotic years, most of the people either left the company completely or just went back to Germany, or to other countries, each one with new plans of life.

Today, the company they formed still has around 65 members; but only about a dozen people are actually living there all year-round. During the season (Easter to autumn) there can be as many as 50 people. Many singles, some couples and families live in friendly neighbourhood together in their little paradise.

We have solar-energy for our electricity. And we love our wonderful piece of land and respect nature. Visitors are welcome, preferably by agreement.



☺ financial deposit, some time to to know each other

Hungary



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🌳 50 ha (near Piliscsaba)

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🗑️ Hungarian, e

👤 the founder

🏠 property of one member

🌿 retreat center, natural building experiments

🔄 ecological, inner growth, adult education, seminar-house, environmental protection, permaculture, alternative energy, construction



Our Ecovillage is eco but not yet a village, since apart from the founder, only volunteers are living here for short and long term - generally 6-8 persons.

Our basic activities are running a retreat center and experimenting with natural building, efficient wood stoves and a simpler lifestyle.

These new houses are designed for a more natural way of life: passive solar, timber frame, light clay, straw-bale, masonry wood stove, dry toilet, volunteer simplicity... In the past 10 years, we have planted 40,000 trees to prepare this space for a community-conscious nature-oriented living area. We have 50 hectares, but we don't do agriculture - apart from fruit trees and pond experiments.

Volunteers are coming mostly to get experience in natural building, or in raising their consciousness through working in community in the retreat center.

→ See also description of networks „GEN Europe, GEN Hungary“

Gyürüfü Ecovillage (Gyurufu)

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 www.gyurufu.hu

 1991

 300 ha (near Pécs)

 50 %

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 one part of the group - legally elected bodies (majority vote)

 individual financing

 property of a foundation/property of the local municipality

 applied ecology

 farming, ecotourism, computer science

 ecological, self-managed, environmental protection, self-sufficiency, permaculture, organic agriculture, organic gardening, animal friendly husbandry, forestry, alternative energy, ecological construction



Gyurufu is an emerging full-fledged ecovillage based on the Permaculture principle and other methods of ecological planning. It is designed for a 1100 ha outstanding watershed partly owned by the Gyürüfü Foundation. The rest is either privately owned land or state forest. The village was started from scratch; no road, no electricity, no infrastructure were present in a formerly populated area which was abandoned during the Communist era. The community has set up a master plan for the area which contains the main rules for activities as well as housing, transport, agriculture, water management and forestation goals. Building permits have been granted for family houses and agricultural facilities since 1996. Available land is held in common, officially owned by the Gyurufu Foundation and the municipality of Ibafa, respectively. Plots are sold to the house owners. Upon completion, the village may not hold more than 300 permanent residents as determined by the ecological carrying capacity of the area. Appropriate building technologies include mud bricks, rammed earth buildings, composting toilets, reed bed systems and rainwater harvesting as well as a host of other methods. Gyurufu might well be the first ecovillage where ecological constraints are integrated into the state administration in form of the master plan, the nature conservation requirements and other resolutions of the cognisant authorities. Beside 10-15 residential houses, the village accommodates a community

house, a camping area and several businesses, a goat farm, an integrated agroforestry project, horse riding facilities, and an information technology company based on the internet. Plans for the future include a village school, a forestation project, an aquaculture pond and other water management schemes.

→ See also description of networks „GEN Europe, GEN Hungary“

- 🌐 Hungarian Network of Living Villages (MÉH)
- 😊 newcomers should be able to build their own houses and provide themselves with a livelihood

Nyim Eco-Community

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🌐 www.felkelonap.hu

📅 2010

🏡 23 ha (near Siófok)

♀22 ♂20 ♀10 👥52

🗺 g, e, Hungarian

👥2

👥 all who are concerned

👤 individual financing and cooperative (shared capital and income)

🔑 private property of members

👤 community development, permaculture

🌿 ecological, self-managed, non-violent, inner growth, adult education, pedagogical, permaculture, humour

😊 🙌

Our community was formally established in 2010, through the union of people who are committed to inner development both at community and individual level. The composition of participants has dynamically changed since the onset and continues to change, but we have a stable core that comprises a variety of professionals, like beekeeper, psychologist, teacher, architect, economist, sound technician, physician, scientist-researcher, musician, juggler, kindergarten teacher, doula, interpreter, naturopath, and masseur and yoga teacher. Our direct plan is to establish a living space for approx. 20 families in Nyim (close to lake Balaton), where we have acquired a 23 hectares piece of land. We are striving to do every step in harmony with the natural environment, biological diversity and the protection of natural resources, with the restoration of these if necessary. We follow these principles during the creation of the ecovillage as we believe that these fundamentally determine our lives, and physical-spiritual well-being. Furthermore it is our goal to become a consciously blossoming community which is able to be sincerely attentive and open towards our internal potential for growth. We strive to listen to each other deeply and we make our decisions by consensus.

😊 work for, and integration into, our community

Israel

Kibbutz Tamuz

46 Hanasi St. | 99037 Beit Shemesh

✉ info@tamuz.org.il

🌐 www.tamuz.org.il

📅 1987

📏 0.2 ha (near Beit Shemesh)

♀12 ♂12 ♀32 👤56

🗣️ Hebrew

♻️ 3 🗳️ 3

🗣️ general meeting ((sort of) concensus)

👤 belongs to the Kibbutz

🕒 every member works where they want

🚫 self-managed, left-wing political understanding, feminist, Jewish, secular

Kibbutz Tamuz is located in the city of Beit Shemesh, Israel, which is approximately 30 minutes West of Jerusalem. The kibbutz was founded in the summer of 1987 by nine people who had previously been active in the kibbutz movement on other kibbutzim, but had been disillusioned with the traditional kibbutz. The kibbutz belongs to the United Kibbutz Movement, and is one of three Urban Kibbutzim in the country.

Kibbutz Tamuz is an urban kibbutz, a small Jewish community, and like the traditional kibbutz, Tamuz is a collective. Its 24 members function as a single economic unit, expressing the socialist ideals of equality and cooperation, in theory and praxis. However, unlike the traditional kibbutz, we are located in an urban environment, keeping us in tune with what is happening in society around us.

→ See also description of network „Kibbutz“

🌐 urban kibbutzim and groups in Israel

❄️ Kibbutz Lotan

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✉ alex@klotan.co.il, mmlivni@gmail.com

🌐 www.kibbutzlotan.com

📅 1983

📏 50 ha (near Eilat) 🐄 1 %

♀25 ♂25 ♀60 👤110

🗣️ e, Hebrew, sp, g, f, Dutch

🗳️ 30

🗣️ everyone in common (majority vote)

👤 shared economy (shared income and capital)

👤 common property

🕒 reform Judaism

🕒 dairy, tourism, ecology, date plantation

🚫 ecological, self-managed, left-wing political understanding, non-violent, hierarchical, environmental protection, organic agriculture, conventional agriculture, ecological construction, adult education

😊 🙌

Kibbutz Lotan, founded in 1983, is located in the Southern Arava desert, 55km North of the city of Eilat. Population varies - about 160. There are 55 members with 60 children. In addition there are 30 rent paying residents and a varying number of volunteers and

youth groups. Half the adult members are native born Israelis and half come from other countries - mainly from the English speaking world.

The Lotan economy is based on a dairy barn (275 head), date plantation, tourism, and partnerships with other kibbutzim in field crops and maritime agriculture. One third of our members work outside the kibbutz, in the regional services or the city of Eilat. Their income is pooled into the kibbutz economy.

Among Israeli kibbutzim, Kibbutz Lotan is unique by virtue of its triple identity.

1. Kibbutz Lotan is a collective kibbutz and belongs to the collective stream of the kibbutz movement (currently, a majority of kibbutzim are partially or wholly privatized).
2. Kibbutz Lotan belongs to the Israel Movement for Progressive Judaism - Reform movement. Our approach to Judaism is liberal, creative, egalitarian, and non-coercive.
3. Kibbutz Lotan strives to relate to the fragile desert ecosystem in its daily life and development plans and is part of GEN. In Israel, we are pioneers in the use of waste materials in alternative building.

For further information, we invite you to surf for a virtual visit.

→ See also description of network „GEN Europe“

- 🌐 Kibbutz movement
- 😊 Jewish, ages 25-40

Latvia

Kristian David School

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🌐 www.kdskola.lv/Grostona/Sveicinati.html

📅 1990

🏡 50 ha (near Madona)

👤 60 %

♀ 12 ♂ 5 ♀ 11 👤 28

🗣 e, g, Russian, Latvian, Dutch

👤 all

🗣 all who are concerned (consensus)

👤 shared economy

🔑 property of all

🕊 ecumenical Christian

🌾 primary school, farm, fields.

🚫 non-violent, spiritual, Christian, ecumenical, inner growth, meditation, pedagogical, seminar-house, organic agriculture, organic gardening, forestry, construction, primary school, sports, music, art, learning

😊 🙌

We run a state accredited primary boarding school since 1991. We have 40 children in school and about 20 community members/educators, most of whom live full time in the community and receive no salary for their work. We have an organic farm and fields, which provide our school with almost all necessary foodstuffs. Children work side by side with teachers on the fields, with animals, in the kitchen etc. Most of the pupils are from

problem families or are orphans who become foster children of our community members and are being cared for until their adulthood and beyond. We try to teach them Christian and humanist values, open-mindedness, creativity, empathy and compassion. We get immense joy from growing in mind and in spirit together. Our classes are small, children get individual attention and help whenever it is needed. We create music with our brass band which takes part in music festivals. We sing and pray together every day. Our music teacher composes music for school theatre and our art teacher also runs an art studio in the town. We try to cultivate the culture of cooperation, because it yields the best results and is prerequisite to our very existence. Joy of our collective achievements is greater than that of our individual ones, because we can share it with one another. Our family-like environment gives children opportunities to acquire various practical skills as well. They can learn to drive and repair tractors, weld, operate various machinery, milk cows, ride a horse, grow crops, do household repair work and master many more useful DIY skills. The results are confident, self-reliant, multifaceted human beings whose both mental and physical capacities are developed. We have friends from other countries who help us financially, materially and who, through regular visits, create a paradoxically international environment in the middle of the sparsely populated Latvian countryside.



🌐 Moravian schools

Lithuania

IzReal.eu - It's Really you

Nosenai g. 9 | 33292 Nosenai kaimas

✉ info@izreal.eu

🌐 www.izreal.eu

📅 2012

🏡 5 ha (near Moletai)

👤 10 %

♀ 2 ♂ 4 ♀ 1 👥 7

🗣️ e, g, Dutch 🔄 all members work for the community 🏠 all members work on site

🗣️ core group decision (consensus)

🏠 shared economy

👤 owned by several members

🌱 ecological self sufficiency

🌱 permaculture and eco engineering

🌱 ecological, self-managed, non-violent, Taoist, peace-work, one-world development, environmental protection, self-sufficiency, permaculture, organic agriculture, organic gardening, organic farming, animal friendly husbandry, forestry, alternative energy, new technologies, ecological construction, humour



IzreaL.eu aims to be self sufficient in every aspect of living, housing, food and energy production while facilitating a sustainable open source production, research and development platform. IzReaL.eu furthermore chooses to aim for all resources required to maintain the organization to be produced on site or acquired with durability and sustainability in mind. The 4.5 hectare grounds are located near the town of Moletai (pop. 7500) on the East side of Lithuania (EU member since 2004), 60 km North of the state's capital Vilnius. The site is located approximately 25 km from the geographical midpoint of Europe. Some of the community's members and founders are Dutch and part of the back-office and support are located in the Netherlands.

☺ for info on requirements please email

Ropėja Community

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✉ ropeja@yahoo.com

🌐 facebook.com/pages/Ropeja/157544001100318

👤 2000

🌳 30 ha (near Kaunas)

👥 30 %

♀ 4

♂ 5

👤 1

👤 10

🗣️ e, f, Russian, Norwegian

♻️ 6

👤 3

👥 all who are concerned (consensus)

👤 some common financing

🏠 property of all

👤 Christian

👤 husbandry, traditional crafts, beekeeping, clay construction

👤 ecological, self-managed, non-violent, Christian, adult education, seminar-house, mentally/psychologically handicapped persons, physically handicapped persons, environmental protection, self-sufficiency, permaculture, organic agriculture, organic gardening, organic farming, animal friendly husbandry, ecological construction, humour, wool felting, clay construction, woodwork, art



Our community is located between 2 nature reserves, within a historical-archaeological park. The community only recently came into being and because its members „matured“ separately there is less „communism“ and more „individualism“. However, we are united by our understanding and philosophy concerning nature, ecology, self-reliance, art and traditions. And since our lands are adjacent, we naturally form a small eco-island in the sea of conventional farming.

Currently we keep bees and raise sheep, making felt boots from their wool. We also collect medicinal plants and engage in horseback riding. Construction from clay and woodwork are also among the crafts practised in our community, because most of our male residents have some experience with these works. Hence, clay construction is noteworthy, since we have to construct the buildings in our community with very limited resources and mostly by ourselves. Until recently our main focus was self-sufficiency, but since our situation is improving, we will soon be able to make our products available to a wider market and also practise more of the traditional crafts, such as blacksmithing, pottery.

☺ hard-working, intelligent, visionary

Romania

Copii Soarelui

337403 Dumbrava de Sus

✉ contact@meditatie.ro

🌐 www.meditatie.ro

📅 1995

🌳 (near Brad)

🗺 e, f, Romanian

🧘 Vipassana meditation

🌀 ecological, non-violent, spiritual, meditation, organic diet, organic agriculture, non smoking

“Children of the Sun” Cultural Association is located in the heart of the Apuseni range of the Carpathian Mountains. The community was founded in 1997 with the purpose of repopulating this peaceful, breathtakingly beautiful region and helping young people live a free life, close to nature. The essence of this community is Vipassana meditation, a natural meditation based on the observation of breathing and body sensations. Vipassana teaches the art of living in harmony with nature and yourself.

What is special about this place is the fact that it is both a meditation center and a community. The people living here encourage a healthy lifestyle, a diet that is not harmful for the body, excluding meat, alcohol, cigarettes or drugs. The community supports itself through organic agriculture and goat breeding. You will find here a wide diversity of products from vegetables like asparagus to fruit like strawberries and raspberries, home made goods, goat milk derivatives and cold pressed oil.

The village is surrounded by a beautiful landscape full of hills, forests, fields and crops that are wonderful and unique in every season. We welcome anyone open to meditation, nature, a healthy way of life and community work.

→ See also description of network „GEN Europe“

🌿 Kászonszék Ökofalu

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✉ okokaszon@gmail.com

🌐 www.kaszonszek.tk

📅 2009 🌳 0.5 ha (near Miercurea Ciuc - Csíkszereda) 🍷 30 % ♀1 ♂1 🍷2

👥 4

🗺 e, Hungarian, Romanian

👤 one person

🏠 rented

🧘 traditional architecture, ecological gardening, bee keeping

🌀 ecological, self-managed, non-violent, vegetarian diet, adult education, self-sufficiency, organic gardening, ecological construction, non smoking, crafts, arts



We wish to transform the village of Cason into a sustainable settlement. We plan programmes for diverse aspects of life. The realization of it will be possible as a collaboration of a new, forming community together with the local settlers. We are a community in formation, searching for new members and collaborators. The Hungarian language and cultural aspects are very important. You are welcome to visit us anytime, please contact us in advance.

→ See also description of network „**GEN Europe**“

- 🌐 Sekler eco-community network (in the course of foundation)
- 😊 Hungarian culture

❄️ Stanciova Village

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☎ +40-(0)755-383820

✉ comunitate@yahoo.com

🌐 stanciova.wordpress.com

📅 2000 🌳 1.5 ha (near Temeswar/Timisoara) 🏠 50 % ♀ 4 ♂ 4 👶 1 👥 9

🗨 e, f, g, Romanian 🏠 3

- 👥 everyone in common (consensus minus one family)
- 🏠 individual financing, limited common financing of association assets
- 🔑 common property of the Association house, private houses, right to use the school that belongs to the local municipality for free
- 🌱 gardening, renovation with local materials, children and youth work, permaculture, voluntary simplicity and gift economy
- 🌿 ecological, self-managed, non-violent, adult education, seminar-house, environmental protection, self-sufficiency, permaculture, organic gardening, ecological construction, clay building, willow weaving, transition, gift economy



Our group started in 2001 as an ecovillage initiative originating in the Romanian environmental youth movement. After ups and downs of the project, we are now an intentional group consisting of 5 households living in a larger traditional village of ca. 350 people. We produce a large part of our food and we experiment with low-tech local solutions for housing and living. We organize events such as practical workshops, handicraft fairs, seminars, courses and free camps. We produce handmade soap and preserves of local fruits and vegetables for economic exchanges but each family has individual strategies for their own finances. We try to promote the gift economy through the website www.dicolodebani.ro and we are active in the Timisoara Transition initiative.

Visiting us is possible through WWOOF Romania or as guest in the association house contributing for food and accommodation or, longer term, within the European Voluntary Service programme.

→ See also description of network „**WWOOF**“

- 🌐 Transition Timisoara, Romanian Permaculture Association
- 😊 interest in a simple life and self-sufficiency; willingness to learn Romanian and live in a traditional, i.e. often conservative Romanian village; a certain openness and tolerance toward cultural differences

Slovakia

Alter Nativa o.z.

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✉ alternativa@alter-nativa.sk

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🌐 www.alter-nativa.sk

📅 2002

🌳 15 ha (near Rožnava) ♀♂ 25 %

♀4 ♂4 ♀7 👤15

- 🗉 e, sp, Hungarian, Slovak 👤 4-5
- 🗉 depends on the situation, but preferably all who are concerned (consensus)
- 🗉 individual financing and limited common financing
- 🗉 rented and our own properties
- 🗉 revitalizing of old orchards; building by traditional + modern sustainable methods; dairy animals; gardening, hand crafts
- 🗉 ecological, self-managed, non-violent, adult education, free school, seminar-house, peace-work, physically handicapped persons, self-sufficiency, permaculture, organic agriculture, organic gardening, organic farming, animal friendly husbandry, forestry, alternative energy, new technologies, ecological construction, humour, crafts: woodwork, pottery, broom making, baskets; sports: orientation running, cycling, archery, hiking, chess, LETS (Local economic trade system), food-co-op



In May 2004 several activists of our association decided to put into practice in their daily life the ideas of companionship, trust and harmony, setting up a community of people sharing the same ethic. Therefore they established a community, where they share common space and work together on meaningful projects.

We know that we are not alone when we think that small, more or less self-sufficient communities with shared ethical principles and respect for each other and for natural resources are much closer to sustainability than today's urban communities and megalomaniac projects. We know very well that not everyone has the capability to change his lifestyle from one day to another. Most people have the chance to support the efforts of groups like ours whether morally, by advice, or materially.

We are aiming to enable that positive change in people's contemporary life-values towards the resurrection of respect for Nature and all life, turning from consumption and overproduction to reasonable modesty, from aggression to tolerance, from competitiveness to co-operation, from obsession by material welfare to development of spiritual values and restoration of community in its true sense, towards sustainability and ethics. We are supporting ideas of decentralisation and democracy, bringing decision making closer to community, to local level, and fulfilling human needs first of all with local resources.

Society for Harmonious Living

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 zajezka@changenet.sk

 www.zajezka.sk

 1994

 77 ha (near Zvolen)

 20  20  20  60

 e

 20 - all part-time from 1 to 3 days per week

 all who are concerned and interested (consensus of concerned)

 7 people use limited common financing (food)

 partly common, partly rented, partly private

 no

 workshops, youth informal (experience) education, natural building, waste management, eco-agriculture

 ecological, self-managed, adult education, seminar-house, environmental protection, self-sufficiency, permaculture, organic agriculture, animal friendly husbandry, ecological construction, crafts, youth activities, waste management, rural development

Zaježka is our nickname for this area of old lonely farms in the hills, with the centre in the village Zaježova. Lots of the houses were abandoned in past decades. The area was "discovered" by enthusiasts of traditional culture who started to organize weekend craft workshops here in 1990. Later we decided to buy a local farmhouse in Zaježova (named Sekier) where people can stay, try a simple lifestyle and help us with our activities. Usually 3 to 8 young people from several countries live on Sekier for a couple of months. The community is still far from being self-sufficient, but it is a good place to learn about a simple lifestyle, sharing and other cultures. As a "side-effect" of these activities almost 30 people returned to their houses here. Together with 20 people who live in rented houses and with our 20 children we create a "community of cooperating neighbours" mixing with the 150 original inhabitants. We have been managing a municipal centre for collection of sorted waste (working for 4000 people) since 1994. We have reconstructed 4 traditional houses and there are several new private straw-bale buildings. We prepare more than 25 weekend workshops and summer camps each year. We operate the community centre and prepare a small alternative school. We buy some food together, preferring local, organic, big packages etc.

→ See also description of network „GEN Europe“

 no

 for rented houses only - 1 month trial period

Slovenia

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✉ barka.skup@guest.arnes.si

🌐 www.skupnostbarka.si

📅 1997

📍 2 ha (near Ljubljana) 🌱 5 %

♀8 ♂5 👥13

🗣️ e, f, Croatian, Serbian

👥 10

🗳️ community council (consensus)

💰 public funds and donations

🏠 property

🏛️ Christian

🌱 helping people with learning disabilities

🕊️ Christian, ecumenical, inner growth, mentally/psychologically handicapped persons, accessible to the disabled

😊 🙌🙌

→ See description of network „Arche nach Jean Vanier“

Turkey

Kaz Dagi Bugdaygilleri

Kucukkuyu | 17980 Canakkale

☎ +90-(0)533-4766461

✉ gunesin@bugday.org

📍 (near Çanakkale) 🌱 10 %

♀5 ♂5 ♀4 👥14

🗣️ e, Turkish

♻️ 10 👥 10

🗳️ all who are concerned (consensus)

💰 individual financing

🏠 ownership

🌱 ecological living

🕊️ ecological, self-managed, non-violent, inner growth, organic diet, vegetarian diet, seminar-house, environmental protection, organic agriculture, organic gardening, alternative energy, ecological construction

😊 🙌🙌

We are a group of people aiming to live in harmony with the whole. We believe that ecological living is the key for this. We have a vision of a transformed world and we work and live to build it.

→ See also description of network „GEN Europe“

🌐 local exchange trading systems, bugday.org, Mt. Kaz Protection Association

Knidia Ecological Farm Ali Somer

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💻 www.knidia.com

📅 2001 🌳 50 ha (near Datça) 🐔 60 %

♀1 ♂1 👤 2-3

🗣️ e, Turkish

👤 by Ali Somer

🌿 olives, almonds and vineyard

🔄 ecological, self-managed

👤 2

🔑 ownership



We are trying to be self-sufficient and sustainable

No package, no dirt, no rubbish

Real muscle work and fun also

Self-produced electricity, own water used

Cooking mostly with wood

Drinking our self-made wine

→ See also description of network „GEN Europe“

🌐 tatuta.org, bugday.org

😊 yes, details on request

Marmariç Permakültür

Marmariç, Dernekli Köyü, Bayindir | 35840 Izmir

✉ info@marmaric.com

💻 marmaric.org

📅 2004 🌳 (near Izmir)

♀5 ♂5 🐔 3 👤 13

🗣️ e, g, Turkish

👤 all who are concerned (discussing)

🌿 permaculture, gardening

🔄 ecological, self-managed, self-sufficiency, permaculture, animal friendly husbandry, ecological construction

👤 8

🔑 property of all



Marmariç Permaculture is a group of close friends who came together in 2003 with the idea of forming a rural community and living there in harmony with nature. In 2004, 2 pioneers among this group moved to Marmariç (an abandoned neighbourhood of Dernekli, a small village in the Bayindir County of Izmir.) Today, the population living there throughout the year is a minimum of 8 people including the Beyazit Family with their 2 small children, and friends from Izmir and Istanbul are visiting regularly at weekends or for extended periods of time.

Ukraine

Baranivka House in Baranivka

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✉ info@baranivka.org

🌐 www.baranivka.org/en

📅 2010

2 ha (near Mirgorod) 🌿 20 %

♀2 ♂3 👥5

🗺️ Ukrainian, Russian, e

👥 4

🗺️ coordination group (striving for consensus, sometimes it is not possible)

🗺️ common financing

🗺️ 1 ha in private property of several persons, 1 ha allowed to use by village local authorities

🗺️ principles and philosophy of „Initiative of Change“ and „Foundations for Freedom“ (see iofc.org)

🗺️ developing a retreat and training center (construction of the building; arranging the territory; running retreat and training activities; community and network building)

🗺️ ecological, non-violent, inner growth, vegetarian diet, adult education, seminar-house, peace-work, environmental protection, organic gardening, ecological construction



The mission of the House in Baranivka community is the creation of a meeting place that is aimed at the harmonious development of individuals and the creation of a network of like-minded people who will work to improve society.

This House is

- a community of people who share the philosophy “Be the change you want to see in the world” and are putting it into practice.
- a place for spiritual, psychological and physical healing through simple work, healthy food, fresh air and life in harmony with nature.
- a resource for all-round development through various programmes, exchange of knowledge and putting acquired knowledge into practice.
- a place to inspire and implement a variety of initiatives, which are beneficial to society: cultural, ecological, educational, peace-building, social, etc.
- an initiative, inspired by the activity of the international NGOs “Initiatives of Change” and “Foundations for Freedom”. We follow the principles and philosophy of these two organisations.

Several times a year, we organize non-profit training courses and practical seminars on ecological education, personal growth, practical psychology, gardening and some other related subjects.

- 🌐 we are part of Foundations for Freedom and Initiatives of Change Networks
- 😊 ideological and (possibly) financial

Adresses from the 2009 Edition

When we publish a new edition of the eurotopia Directory, there are always communities that have responded for the previous edition but can't be printed in the new one even though we don't think that they have ceased to exist - usually because they have not answered our repeated call for submission of their data, but sometimes also because we have learned that they are not communities anymore or that they have been "planned communities" for so long that we lose belief in their eventual creation.

Since these projects have agreed to their publication in the eurotopia Directory the last time, we print them again on the following pages. It's a great resource of additional community addresses especially for this edition of eurotopia, because the 2009 edition has not been printed in English. This list is very likely the first chance for our English readers to get to know these communities. Most have a web address - this will allow you to learn about many of them.

Find here the names and addresses of almost 200 communities that have been presented with descriptions in the 2009 edition of eurotopia but aren't listed in detail in the current book. If communities do not respond to our call although they exist, it's often because of the dynamics of the group's decision making processes or because the person who submitted data the last time was unavailable this time. Should you find out something about the community worth publishing, please let us know.

Addresses are listed alphabetically (first countries, then project names). Find a legend for the symbols at the end of the book. The parts of the address are listed in the way they would be written on a letter, with vertical lines | symbolizing line breaks. Should you actually mail a letter, remember to put the country name below the address.

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✉ membership@canonfromecourt.org.uk 🌐 www.canonfromecourt.org.uk

Clanabogan Camphill Community

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✉ info@camphillclanabogan.com 🌐 www.camphillclanabogan.com

Cog Housing Co-op

5 Daisy Road | Bristol BS5 6JS ✉ coghousingcoop@yahoo.co.uk

Community for Reconciliation

Barnes Close | Chadwich Manor Estate | B61 0RA Bromsgrove, Worcs.

☎ +44-(0)562-710231 ✉ cfrenquiry@aol.com 🌐 www.cfrbarnesclose.co.uk

Corani Housing and Land Co-op Ltd.

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☎ +44-(0)116-254-5436, -1403 ✉ info@corani.org 🌐 www.corani.org

Corbenic Camphill Community

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Coventry Peace House

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✉ dragonflyoxford@gmail.com

🌐 www.radicalroutes.org.uk/list-of-members/housing-co-ops/dragonfly.html

Eagles Wings

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Earth Heart Housing Co-operative

c/o Diggers & Dreamers | BCM Edge | WC1N 3XX London

✉ amila@houseoflove.org.uk 🌐 www.diggersanddreamers.org.uk

Edinburgh Cyrenian Trust - City + Farm Residential Communities

Norton Park | 57 Albion Road | EH7 5QY Edinburgh and West Lothian

☎ +44-(0)9131-475-2354 ✉ admin@cyrenians.org.uk 🌐 www.cyrenians.org.uk

Equinox Housing Co-op

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☎ +44-(0)161-2489224 ✉ mail@eqnx.co.uk 🌐 www.eqnx.co.uk

First Fruits

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☎ +44(0)115-9605311 ✉ nottingham@jesus.org.uk

Fox Housing Cooperative

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Grange Village

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Holy Treasure

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L'Arche

Little Ewell | Barfrestone | CT157JJ Dover

☎ +44-(0)1304-830930 ✉ kent@larche.org.uk 🌐 www.larche.org.uk

L'Arche Lambeth

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☎ +44(0)1865-514186 ✉ oxford@jesus.org.uk

Living Way

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New Creation Farm

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New Education Housing Co-op (near Swansea)

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Newton Dee Village Community

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Out of Town Housing Co-op

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Pangaia Housing Co-op

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 ✉ growingheart@cooptel.net 🌐 www.growingheart.co.uk

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Redditch Co-operative Homes

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Ringo Housing Coop

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Shekinashram

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Simeon Care for the Elderly

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Stepping Stones Housing Co-op

Highbury Farm | Redbrook | NP25 4LX Monmouthshire, Wales

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🌐 www.highburyfarm.freeserve.co.uk

Steward Community Woodland

Affinity Woodland Workers Co-op | Moretonhampstead

TQ13 8SD Newton Abbot, Devon ☎ +44-(0)1647-440233

✉ community@stewardwood.org 🌐 www.stewardwood.org

Talamh Housing Co-op

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✉ enquiries@cvt-larchfield.org.uk 🌐 www.camphill.org.uk**The Hive Housing Co-op**

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✉ robertcircle1@yahoo.co.uk 🌐 www.veganviews.org.uk/brynderwen**Wild Peak Housing Co-op**

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✉ wildpeak@phoncoop.coop 🌐 www.wildpeak.org.uk**Zion Housing Co-op**

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Networks of Communities & Ecovillages

In this chapter we present **networks of communities**. Their descriptions should give an idea of the common orientation and history of their member projects, of the kind of cooperation between them and of the way they position themselves in society.

The descriptions have been provided by the networks and their offices. We put a lot of effort into getting all existing networks on board and are quite successful at this, but since we only publish networks that respond to us (same way as we deal with communities), a network goes missing in this chapter as soon as our mail doesn't get answered. We know of one network that does not want to attract any more interested people since they get more inquiries than they can handle already. But another one, Emmaus, has simply not answered to our repeated calls although it surely still exists.

Even less we make claims that the lists printed under the descriptions of the networks are complete. These lists either consist of names of projects that are listed with a description at other places in the book (check the index to find them), or we got permission to print these lists from the networks. In the latter case they are valuable resources, because they contain data of communities that have not individually answered to our call for publication.

Often the networks refer to their websites for complete lists of their members, for more links and/or information of associated projects that are not communities, but might still be projects of interest for you. Also you will find projects there that have been founded after the publishing of this book (this will surely be the case for GEN Europe, for example).

Bold addresses are addresses of the headquarters of the networks, the other addresses are members of that network. Members' addresses are listed in alphabetical order (first countries, then projects' names). Find the legend for the abbreviated country names (as well as for symbols) at the end of this book. An arrow → in front of a name means that the project can be found with a detailed description at another place in the book, usually within the section of self-descriptions (sometimes among the useful addresses).

The addresses are presented in the way you would address a letter: The vertical line | stands for a line break in the postal address; remember to add the country name if you actually mail a letter.

Use the index in case you can't find a project you're looking for.

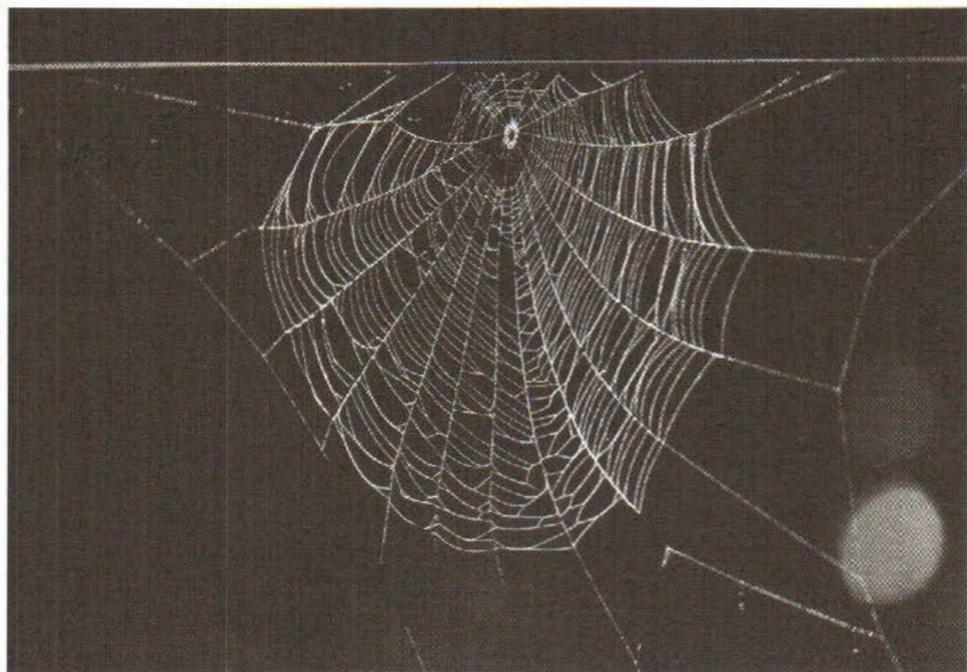


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Bruderhof Communities

The Bruderhof is an international communal movement of families and singles who seek to put into action Christ's command to love God and neighbor. Like the first Christians described in Acts 2 and 4, we have been called to a way of life in which all are of one heart and soul, no one possesses anything, and everything is shared in common. We also draw instruction and inspiration from the reformation era Anabaptists who revived the early Christian example of discipleship in full community.

Our communal movement began in 1920 in Germany when a group of Christians, seeking answers to the devastation of post-war society, founded a community based on the belief that Jesus' words in the Gospels are a guide to daily living.

Today the Bruderhof consists of over 2,600 men, women, and children living in twenty-three communal settlements of varying sizes on four continents.

Bruderhof

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→ Holzlandgemeinschaft (D)

→ Sannerzgemeinschaft (D)

→ Beech Grove Community (UK)

Darvell Community UK

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Woodgate

UK 104 Clova Road | London E7 9AF ✉ contact@churchcommunities.org

Camphill

Camphill was established to work with those in need of special care and continues to provide today for the educational and social needs of people with a diverse range of disabilities. From the outset, the intention has been to do this work not as a "job" in the usual sense of the word but as a "way of life", where cultural and human values are as important as those of the work place.

The essence of Camphill is to provide a way of life where children, young people and adults diagnosed with autistic disorders, Down's syndrome, genetic disorders, epilepsy, brain damage, behavioural problems or other developmental difficulties can live together with co-workers and helpers in a mutually supportive environment. Each Camphill community,

whatever its main task, takes full responsibility for the land which it administers. Land stewardship is normally based on biodynamic (organic) methods using organic composting techniques, natural fertilisers and preparations to bring about a healthy, balanced and enriched soil life. Nearly all communities have their own garden and many have larger areas of cultivated land. Camphill communities endeavour to provide food that is free from artificial additives. When supplies from home production are insufficient, they are supplemented as far as possible from other organic sources. In Camphill, the ideal is that of a community life based on Christian values where, according to ability, each person contributes what he or she can towards the well-being of his or her fellows. This ideal is approached in many ways from community to community to reflect the age, needs and abilities of those who live there. People come to Camphill at different stages of their lives and for many different reasons. As a result, a wide variety of Camphill communities has been established to provide education, training and social therapy. The world-wide Camphill Movement now comprises more than 10,000 people living and working in over 100 communities in 23 different countries. The contact details for the individual communities are currently available on the internet at www.camphill.net.

Camphill Secretariat - Central European Region

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→ Camphill Dorfgemeinschaft Hausenhof (D) ❄️

→ Pahkla Camphilli Küla (EE)

→ Camphill Milton Keynes Community (UK)

→ Camphill School Aberdeen (UK)

→ Milltown Camphill Community (UK)

→ Camphill Community Dingle (IRL)

→ Grangemockler Camphill Community (IRL)

Camphill landsbystiftelse i Norge

N Camphill Villages in Norway | Reidar Jenssensgate 10 | 7550 Hommelvik
☎ +47-73-978460 ✉ landsbystiftelsen@camphill.no 🌐 www.camphill.no

→ Hogganvik Landsby (N)

→ Solborg (N)

→ Vidaraasen Village (Camphill) (N)

→ Camphill Village Svetlana (RUS)

Church and Peace

Church and Peace is a European ecumenical peace church network made up of communities, training centres, peace organizations and peace service agencies. Their common conviction is that the peace witness and nonviolence of the Gospel are essential characteristics of the Church and lead to nonviolent service for peace and reconciliation. Church and Peace is an associate member of the Conference of European Churches (CEC), and a member of the Network of Christian Peace Organizations (UK).

Church & Peace e.V.

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☎ +49-(0)6445-5588

✉ intloffic@church-and-peace.org 🌐 www.church-and-peace.org

→ Basisgemeinde (Basic ecclesial community) Wulfshagenerhütten (D)

→ Brot & Rosen - basic ecclesial community (D)

Darvell Community UK

UK Brightling Road, Robertsbridge | Sussex TN32 5DR

☎ +44-(0)1580-883300

✉ dhibbs@mailstack.com 🌐 www.churchcommunities.org.uk

Common Life Network

The Common Life Network is a network dedicated to the founding and encouragement of Christian housing cooperatives in Switzerland. We cultivate relationships between different communities, promote communal living with public events and provide a variety of resources on the internet, e.g. links, shared house adverts and a list of members.

Common Life Network

CH Bühlweg 3 | 3072 Ostermundigen

✉ info@commonlife.ch 🌐 www.commonlife.ch

DachVerbund

The DachVerbund serves as a platform for people in search of projects, service providers and projects relating to communal living. As an amalgamation of "Austrotopia", the "Initiative for communal building and living", "United Creations" and other organisations, the DachVerbund represents GEN-Europe in Austria.

DachVerbund

A **Plattform für gemeinschaftliches Bauen, Wohnen und Leben**
✉ office@dachverbund.at 🌐 www.dachverbund.at

Frauenwohnprojekt [ro*sa] Donaustadt

A Anton-Sattler-Gasse 100 | 1220 Wien
✉ kontakt@frauenwohnprojekt.org 🌐 www.frauenwohnprojekt.org

→ Haus B.R.O.T. (A)

→ Lebens- und Innovationsraum Schönwasser (A)

→ Lebensraum 🏠 (A)

→ Liv - Leben individuell,
verbunden (A)

→ Naturhof Pramtal (A)

→ PAN (A)



Ecovillage Road (Baltic Ecovillages)

Ecovillage Road of the Baltic Sea Region aims at formulating a network of ecovillages, consultants and related eco-initiatives and transferring sustainable living practices applied in ecovillages to the general public.

Ecovillage Road is a virtual network of ecovillages, consultants and related eco-initiatives offering their knowledge, services and products in 8 thematic groups: events, trainings and seminars, consultations, internships and volunteering, ecovillage tourism, social programmes, organic food, and other goods and services. It serves as a space for ecovillages and interested audience to meet each other – ecovillages present their activities by registering on the Ecovillage Road website and becoming a part of the network, while the interested audience can visit these ecovillages and gain valuable knowledge on sustainable living ways. All registered ecovillages or eco-initiatives are pictured on the map, making it easy to map out visitor's time and follow the road of ecovillages.

The website also includes a forum for the transition of knowledge that is visible for the website visitors but only registered members can actively participate in discussions. There are two types of Ecovillage Road membership – ecovillages and consultants. Ecovillages include other eco-projects, eco-settlements, transition towns or homesteads where visitors may come and participate in indicated activities or services, while consultants are individuals that are not necessarily living in an ecovillage, but who can consult on eco-related issues such as eco-building, waste management, recycling, food production etc. By becoming a member of the Ecovillage Road one can create new relationships with people who possess the same values or are involved in similar projects as well as share knowledge and experiences with a broader public through a well-structured website. Last but not least, Ecovillage Road acts as a uniting and strengthening ecovillage movement in the Baltic Sea region that in turn contributes to developing participating ecovillages both spiritually and economically.

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→ Grundstein Neukirchen e.V. (D)

→ ZEGG - Zentrum für experimentelle Gesellschaftsgestaltung (D) ❄️

GEN Finland

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✉️ skey@rihmasto.fi 🌐 rihmasto.fi/skey

→ Keuruun Ekokylä (SF) ❄️

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🌐 www.camperplace-ltu.page.tl/woof-lithuania.htm

Melkys ecovillage

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Big Stone Ecovillage

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→ Bolshoj Kamen (Big Stone) (RUS)

Dobraya Zemlya

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- Ecovillage Grishino (RUS) ❄️
- EcoVillage Yasnoe (RUS) ❄️
- Hospitable House in the Forest (RUS)
- Medvinka (RUS) ❄️

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- Kampetorp ekoby (S) ❄️

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- Suderbyn Permaculture Ecovillage (S) ❄️

European Catholic Worker

The Catholic Worker is a movement of radical christians and has a pacifist and anarchist orientation. Our goal is to connect the Gospel with political action and practical aid to the poorest. In this way we want to give a sign of the Kin'dom of God on earth.

The Catholic Worker Movement was founded in the US by Dorothy Day and Peter Maurin the depths of the Great Depression in the 1930s.

Today over 200 Catholic Worker communities remain committed to nonviolence, voluntary poverty, prayer, and hospitality for the homeless, exiled, hungry, and forsaken. Catholic Workers continue to protest injustice, war, racism, and violence of all forms. Inspired by the ideas and power of the Catholic Workers we brought it to Europe and started houses and communities in the Netherlands, Great Britain, Belgium, Germany and Sweden.

The European Catholic Worker

NL ✉ info@eurocatholicworker 🌐 www.eurocatholicworker.org

- Brot & Rosen - basic ecclesial community (D)
- Haus der Gastfreundschaft (HdG) (D)

Kana

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☎ +49-(0)231-839853 ✉ info@kana-suppenkueche.de
🌐 www.kana-suppenkueche.de

→ Glasgow Catholic Worker (UK)

→ London Catholic Worker (UK)

Saint Francis House

UK 227 Crowley Road | Oxford OX4 1XG
☎ +44-(0)1865-248288 ✉ susanclarkson@hotmail.com
🌐 www.eurocatholicworker.org/index.php?id=10&L=2

→ The Catholic Worker Farm (UK)

→ Amsterdam Catholic Worker (NL)

Katholieke Werker

NL Pleinstraat 1 | 8000 Brugge
☎ +32(0)474-776113 ✉ info@catholicworker.be
🌐 www.catholicworker.be, www.eurocatholicworker.org/index.php?id=27

Federatie Gemeenschappelijk Wonen

The Federatie Gemeenschappelijk Wonen (FGW) is a Dutch association of organisations representing intentional communities in the Netherlands. Associated partners are the LVCW (Landelijke Vereniging Centraal Wonen) cohousing community and the LVGO (Landelijke Vereniging Gemeenschappelijk wonen van Ouderen) cohousing community of seniors. The LVCW and LVGO together represent about 200 Dutch communities. The FGW was founded in 2004. We estimate the number of intentional communities in the Netherlands at 10,000. About 600 of them are listed on the FGW website.

Each third Saturday of May, the FGW organizes an Open Intentional Communities Day (Open Gemeenschappelijkwonendag). On this day, many communities in the Netherlands open their doors for everyone who wants to have a look inside.

See www.gemeenschappelijkwonen.nl/gemeenschappelijkwonendag

Federatie Gemeenschappelijk Wonen (FGW)

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🌐 www.gemeenschappelijkwonen.nl

Forum Gemeinschaftliches Wohnen

A nationwide consortium of interested people, experts, communities, housing companies and communes for the advancement of new kinds of living, some including care work, as well as for engaging neighbourhoods for older people. AUFZ# - Consultancy, information and network creation for interested people and other stakeholders and multipliers, who would like to promote neighbourhood structures with a focus on older people – responsible body for the “Lower Saxony Office – New Living in Old Age” in conjunction with the “Lower Saxony Department for Housing Consultation” as an information centre for housing consultancy in the state of Lower Saxony, supported by the Social Ministry of Lower Saxony – specialist support in terms of funding for construction investment projects – administrative centre for the development scheme “At Home in Old Age”, part of the programme for “Neighbourly Help and Social Services” of the Federal Ministry for Families – involvement in and execution of events with a focus on association work – support services for the “Competent Living Network”, an internet portal regarding new forms of living and care work, on behalf of the Federal Ministry for Families.

Forum Gemeinschaftliches Wohnen e.V.

D Bundesvereinigung (FGW) | Hildesheimer Str. 15 | 30169 Hannover
☎ +49-(0)511-165910-0 ✉ info@fgw-ev.de 🌐 www.fgw-ev.de

GEN - Global Ecovillage Network

The Global Ecovillage Network connects thousands of communities and villages dedicated to developing and demonstrating sustainability principles and practices in their lifestyles and communities around the world. GEN facilitates exchange, and provides information, tools and examples to inspire sustainable thinking, living and acting. The following members are networks of communities themselves and therefore a resource for more communities (also for communities outside of Europe).

GEN International

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GEN Europe

GEN-Europe is the European Ecovillage Association promoting social resilience, environmental protection and restoration of nature through the concept of ecovillages as models for sustainable human settlements. We actively support the

development of ecovillages and networks in Europe, the Middle East and Africa.

Within GEN-Europe, we experiment in re-knitting trustful relationships and honouring low impact life styles. Our strength lies in co-developing and co-designing economic, social, cultural and ecologic solutions that support local ownership of sustainable futures. Honestly sharing the questions we face in this process is as important as sharing any answers we find. Making visible people's projects that deeply care for local community while embracing global community is a vibrant tool for empowerment.

GEN-Europe is a membership organisation founded in 1996 and open to a wide range of projects regardless of their political, religious or cultural backgrounds.

GEN-Europe forms part of GEN International, an NGO with consultative status at the UN-Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) commission, and is a partner of the United Nations Institute for Training and Research, UNITAR.

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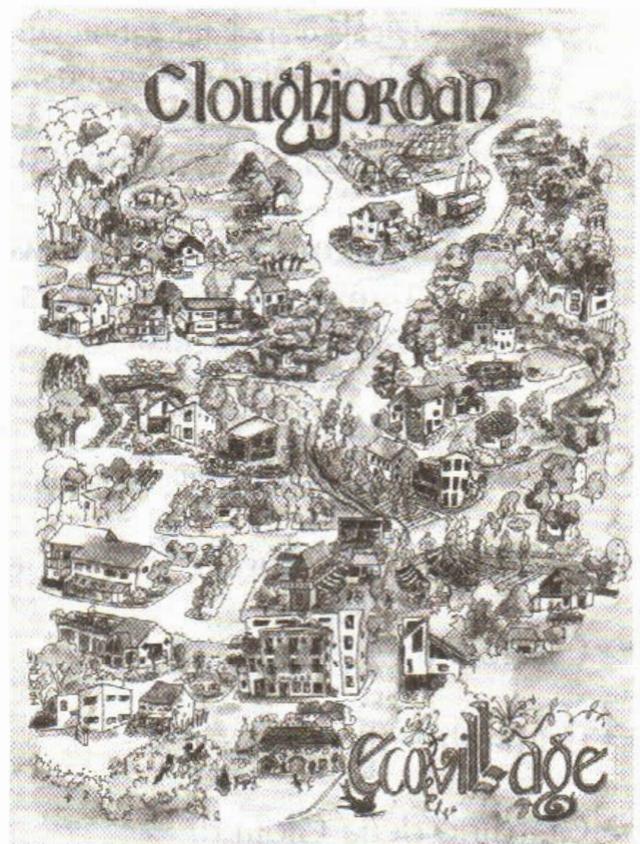
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GEN Finland/Suomen kestävän elämäntavan yhteisöt ry

GEN-Finland is a national network of ecovillages and other sustainable lifestyle organisations as well as individuals who are interested in our aims and activities. We have about 10 community members. GEN Finland's aims are:

- To promote sustainable life-style and communality and to develop new forms for them.
- To support development of new ecovillages and to strengthen collaboration of the ecovillages in Finland and internationally.
- To follow-up and to attend the research and developing projects which support sustainable life-style and to inform about the results and good practices.
- To reinforce the common significance of eco-communities in the society.
- GEN-Finland's main activities (2013):
 - Partnership in two international projects in Baltic Sea Region
 - Promoting European Voluntary Service projects in Finland
 - Arranging annual national meeting for ecovillages
 - Co-operation with permaculture activists

- Website, email list, attending expositions
- International connections as a member of Global Ecovillage Network (GEN) Europe and of Baltic Ecovillage Network (Ecovillage Road).

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GEN Hungary/Hungarian Living Villages Network

The Hungarian Living-Village Network (or GEN-Hungary) is the non-formal organisation which was established in the early 90's and aims to connect the sustainable communities in the country. The network is open and grows with new communities every one or two years.

It organizes four meetings every year, two internals for members only and two bigger gatherings, one in summer and one in the winter. The network also runs a paperback magazine one for every season, and an electronic newsletter every two weeks.

The main aim is to show ecovillages to the society as real alternatives to the current crisis, and to support newly forming communities with some basic information.

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GEN Sweden/Ekobyarnas Riksorganisation Swedish Ecovillage Association

ERO (former Njord) was born anew in 2010, after nearly 20 years of "sleep". The international project "Ecovillages for Sustainable Rural Development" in the Baltic region was an important reason for its renewal and also created opportunities to research the current life of ecovillages and eco-communities in Sweden. You find a list of the communities at ekobyar.se. Another



website that is developing in the Baltic region is ecovillageroad.eu, where ERO takes part. ERO is also a member of Baltic Ecovillage Network as well as Associated Partner in the upcoming international project REALS - Resilient and Ecological Approaches to Live Sustainably, which is building networks between ecovillage movements, transition towns, permaculture networks as well as with other sectors in the Baltic region (esp. Russia, Sweden and Belarus). ERO organizes national/international meetings for the creation of sustainable communities, at least once a year.

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German Association of Beguines

The beguines can be traced back to countless beguine farms in Flanders and over 600 towns in the German speaking world since the 13th century. The new beguine movement in Germany is a continuation of this medieval women-culture-movement, which experienced a revival in the 1990s. Diversity is characteristic of the modern beguine movement. There are various schools of thought: church-going Christians, ecumenical-

cosmopolitan, feminist-spiritual, political-social. Mixtures are widespread and no limits are set in these areas. The umbrella association of the beguines ("Beginen e.V.") was founded in 2004 by women from established modern beguine farms. By now, 14 beguine farms/communities from Germany are members of the umbrella organisation. In addition there are nearly 50 interested women facilitators. All beguine farms are purely female housing projects, which were created by female volunteers. They are mostly investment models with flats financially supported by government plans. There are also privately financed flats, housing cooperative flats and flats paid for by foundations. The concept that unites them is to be able to stay as long as possible in the home, regardless of age. Freely elected relationships with younger women and their children can sometimes replace a missing nuclear family. The widespread age-related poverty of women in our society is alleviated by neighbourly help. The women living on beguine farms are socially, politically and charitably active within their neighbourhoods in a variety of ways. The umbrella organisation of the beguines organises annual coach trips to the historical beguine farms in Flanders, Holland and the German towns with gothic "beguine and women's places". On the last weekend in August of every year, the Beginen e.V. organises a "nationwide beguine meeting". On offer are presentations and seminars about the historical and modern beguines. The umbrella organisation distinguishes itself as the only such organisation in Germany/Europe/the world.

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Givers-Movement

The 'GIVERS-/DONATORS- or GIFT-MOVEMENT' is the "movement of people, who only want to exchange gifts in (global) love", i.e. non-violent sharing, in order to live altogether responsibly. We believe that one can only be truly happy (or rather "heart-joyous") by following the conscience and leading a holistically responsible life (like a healthy cell in the organism of the world), and that a "reason-instead-of-fists"-culture is necessary in sufficient measure amongst people. We offer this as "PREFERABLY "UNIDEOLOGICAL" AND "OPEN TO CONSENSUS" "(INITIAL-) AGREEMENT DENOMINATOR FOR GLOBAL RESPONSIBILITY" to: "A FREE EARTH FOR FREE SHARING PEOPLE!" When individuals do not align themselves according to the wellbeing of the whole, and build corresponding responsibility-community-moulds, then there clearly cannot be any decisions which are responsible for all. If, however, they are prepared to do so, then one should not "give"

them other unavoidable (“ideological”) content, but trust the further quest for answers of their consensus search. We would like to form “consensus-communities of global sharing”, as a path to “global consensus democracy”. For instance, we work on the following life formulae:

1. (Truth-)pilgrims, without money or identification, on the street with billboards, as “collectors for the communities of the future”.
2. “Hospitality houses”, or “families-of-the-poor” for maximum, unconditional sharing with those in need (our core group, the “givers”, merely “own” houses and land according to “moral usage rights”, i.e. through “organic interpositioning” in the interrelations of life, without purchase, enforceable contracts etc. They live without their own commercial electricity, water etc, just from leftovers, gifts and self-sufficiency).
3. Self-sufficient “village families” as a “survival model” for humanity, for instance as a seedling of our “freedom garden”.

Our movement is – in the sense of the search for the “smallest necessary denominator for global responsibility” – open to people of diverse religious backgrounds and world views, and has “spiritually non-violent” references to Jesus, Tolstoy, Gandhi, “peace pilgrims” etc. We call people who believe that only our fundamental ideal is theoretically correct, as “giver-allies”, in completely free self-dosing of practical consequences. From the smallest steps (participating in thought exchanges or in charitable associations etc.) up to radical steps, everything is possible, so that nobody need be overstrained.

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They feel associated with a network they call "Freie Schenker" ("free givers") instead.

ISKCON

The International Society for Krishna Consciousness was established in 1966 by His Divine Grace Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada, a saint from North India, in New York and has since spread around the world. It represents one of the oldest religions of humanity. The teachings of the Vedas go far beyond Hinduism. God is not a Hindu, Muslim or Christian. According to the Vedas, we are all eternal spiritual souls, minute particles or children of the same God.

The "Hare Krishnas" are known in many cities and countries, especially because of their public performances of chanting (singing of the holy names of God), the distribution of Prasadam (vegetarian foods consecrated to God) and their effort to distribute Vedic literature the widest possible. In Germany there is a country community in the Bavarian Forest (Jandelsbrunn), a village-like settlement at Trier and several smaller and larger centers. Membership in Germany is about 1,000 people, with the larger part being in working life and practicing bhakti yoga at home. However, public events, festivals and

celebrations take place regularly (especially on Sundays). Everyone is welcome there to get more detailed information about the philosophy and lifestyle of the movement. Initiated members of the community keep four regulative principles: no eating of meat, fish or eggs, no intoxicants, no extramarital sex, no gambling. They daily practice the mantra meditation on Krishna's holy names. There are various boards and committees which work by voting decisions and organize the movement locally and nationally, with the different interests of the movement's friends considered.

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Kibbutz-Movement

The Kibbutz movement came into being 40 years before the foundation of the State of Israel. It has gathered Jews from many countries, in an ongoing experiment of combining communal living with productive work.

After the Six-Day War in 1967, a wave of volunteers from all over the world began to visit Israel. They wished to show their goodwill towards our State and our people, by working and living on the kibbutz while learning about the country. They are still coming in great numbers. Today, the Kibbutz Volunteers Program Center (KPC) officially represents all the 270 kibbutzim in Israel. It officially coordinates placement of volunteers on behalf of the kibbutz movement. During 50 years of its existence, the KPC has sent more than 400,000 volunteers from all over the world to the Kibbutzim.

Find a list of Kibbutzim at www.kibbutz.org.il/map/hebrew.php (in Hebrew) or in English as number 4324 on eurotopia.de/booklinks.

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Kollektivhus NU

The Swedish Association Kollektivhus NU is a national association working for collaborative housing and other alternative ways of living. The association supports existing cohouses as well as groups intending to create new units. Originally formed in 1981, it has recently been revitalised with the prime purpose to inform the public about cohousing as an alternative, and to influence authorities to facilitate the creation and running of such units. A list of members can be found on the website (www.kollektivhus.nu/medlemmar.html).

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Kommuja

Kommuja is a network of communes that consider themselves politically active. With life in a commune we try to draw nearer to our (political) utopias, however we do not see community as an end in itself. The groups are libertarian, emancipatory, they function in solidarity and are inspired by ecological ideas and thought processes. The communities within the network share the following fundamental ideas:

- We want equitable cooperation and we object to power structures. Therefore our communes exhibit structural equality. Discriminatory structures must be uncovered and changed. We endeavour to create comprehensibility, transparency and traceability in all communal processes. We make decisions according to the principle of consensus, in order to find solutions that can be maintained by all. It is important to us that the people in the commune can develop further and that there is a fundamental willingness to debate, to participate in and inform about group activities. The fundamental idea of our communal living incorporates direct communication, we don't want to solve conflicts and differences via structures and want to treat each other mindfully. We try to provide children with a space in which they can develop according to their tendencies and speed, and where they can independently choose their reference people. People of different sexual orientations and in a variety of different relationship structures live in the communities and manifest an alternative to the societal normalisation of the nuclear family, of single person households and heterosexual couple relationships.
- We want to free ourselves from the prevailing models of accountancy and ownership. Therefore our economics are based on solidarity, e.g. in that we share a communal kitty for everyone, from which we take according to personal needs. In doing so we question our consumer habits and make time and space for interpersonal encounters. Since private ownership, ranging from capital, real estate and means of production, leads to power inequalities and addictions, our communes are based on communal ownership. We do not want to define people simply as a function

of their performance. Therefore we strive to disengage from externally determined work. In many communes work is collective and self-determined. The communes within our network support one other through inter-personal exchanges of information, goods and work.

- The political communes want to change societal relationships. We already contribute to this to some extent by our alternative lifestyles. Distant goals are egalitarian (free and equal) structures, that enable an emancipated, solidary and ecological life. We therefore make a stand for human togetherness and sharing, as well as against the increasing individualisation within a society that is strongly focussed on consumption, purchase and the exploitation of nature. The individuals within the communes are also active in a variety of political fields, such as anti-fascism, anti-atomic energy, BUKO, media freedom, international solidarity, preservation of cultivated plants and anti-GM.... Further information can be found on our website (a list of associated projects is available under the heading and/or by keyword search "communes" ("Kommunen").

KommuJa!

D Netzwerk politischer Kommunen www.kommuja.de

- Finkenburg (D)
- Galions e.V. (D)
- gASTWERKe e.V. (D)
- Hammer Kommune (D)
- Holunderhof e.V. (D)
- Kommune Buchhagen (D)
- Kommune Hof Rossee (D)
- Kommune Karmitz (D)
- Kommune Lossehof (D)
- Kommune Niederkaufungen (D)
- Kommune Uthlede (D)
- Kommune Volzendorf (D)



Kommune Volzendorf

- Kommune Waltershausen (D)
- Laakenhof (D)
- Mühle - Wohn- und Baugenossenschaft e.G. (D)
- ÖkoLeA (D)
- Schäfereigenossenschaft Finkhof e.G. (D)
- SSM - Sozialistische Selbsthilfe Köln-Mülheim (D)
- Villa Locomuna (D)
- Vitopia (D)

Lebenshäuser

Our social system is increasingly overstrained and cannot provide the necessary feeling of security for many people. Therefore the association "Life House – ecumenical community for social integration" ("Lebenshaus - ökumenische Gemeinschaft für soziale Integration e.V.") was founded in Trossingen in 1985. The founding members were nearly all active in peace circles, various churches and/or the International Fellowship for Reconciliation. The goal is to provide a framework for people who are looking for a protective community, for social or mental health reasons. During the temporally restricted stay of each "guest", we support him in his efforts to overcome his "life crisis" and help him search for other possibilities in life. In 1987 we were able to move into a renovated listed building, a former factory in Trossingen. In the meantime, further "life houses" have arisen in Southern Germany, which fulfil essentially the same goals as the Lebenshaus in Trossingen and are connected with one another, but not part of the same "organisation". We meet once a year for an exchange of experiences.

Lebenshäuser

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- Lebenshaus Heitersheim e.V. (D)
- Lebenshaus im Chiemgau (D)

Lebenshaus Schwäbische Alb

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Lebenshaus Trossingen

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L'Arche (Jean Vanier)/Federation Internationale des Communautes de L'Arche

A L'Arche community is...

... mutual relationships: At the heart of L'Arche communities are relationships between people with and without intellectual disabilities. A respectful relationship between people who treat each other as of equal value provides security, allowing for growth, personal development and freedom to become more fully the people we want to be. Most importantly, mutual relationships foster the acceptance of each person as a unique and valuable individual, whatever his or her abilities or disabilities.

... spirituality: From its first community, founded in France in the Roman Catholic tradition, many other communities have been established in various cultural and religious traditions. Today, faith life continues to be an essential element of all L'Arche communities, which may be rooted in a particular faith tradition or have an ecumenical or an inter-faith character. Communities are respectful of the particular faith traditions of people who come to the community and seek to support members to deepen in their own faith experience and values, whether they situate themselves within or outside a religious affiliation.

... know-how: Almost 50 years of experience and cooperative work with doctors, psychologists, social workers and other professionals have enabled L'Arche communities to develop strong competencies and a high standard of quality in the field of care-giving. In several countries, L'Arche is called upon by governments for advice on policy formation.

... community life: Living with others emphasises what a person can accomplish, give and learn. Just as in a family, all members of the community are responsible for the group's well-being, be it at home, in a workshop or a day programme, through cooking or washing up, through a helping hand, a smile or a joke.

Federation Internationale des Communautes de L'Arche

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→ Arche Ravensburg (D)

→ L'Arche Bognor Regis (UK)

→ Skupnost Barka (SLO)

L'Arche de Lanza del Vasto

The Community of the Ark is a non-violent and spiritual international commune that was founded in France in 1948 by Lanza del Vasto. Lanza del Vasto was a philosopher and a non-violence activist disciple of Mahatma Gandhi. The Ark is a community of workers. The members believed strongly in the principle of "bread labor", expounded by Gandhi and Tolstoy. They prefer to use simple tools, powered by hand or animal, believing that complicated machinery is a product of human greed.

The Companions grew all their vegetables and much of their grain using horses and hand methods in organic agriculture.

L'Arche de Lanza del Vasto

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→ Friedenshof-Kommunität (D)

→ L' Arche de Saint Antoine (F)

→ La Borie Noble (F)

LØS - Landforeningen Økologisk Samfund/ The Danish Association of Sustainable Communities

A preliminary meeting of socially, ecologically and spiritually orientated communities took place at Fjordvang farm in Thy, Denmark, January 1993. This meeting led to the formation of a network of Sustainable Communities. The purpose is: To further and enhance a way of life that makes possible wholesome cycles between Human Beings and Nature, in a caring and respectful way towards all sentient beings and our natural resources, as described in the following common vision statement:

- LØS is dedicated to establishing living environments that are ecologically and socially sustainable in rural, as well as in urban areas.
- Co-operation based on ecological, social and spiritual awareness.
- Ethical and ecological use of energy resources - mineral, biological, human and cultural.

- Autonomy, intimacy and accountability in governance and economy.
- Openness to multiplicity of views of life and ways of living.
- Being instrumental in bringing about an awareness of global interconnectedness.
- The creation of ecological and socially sustainable communities in rural and urban areas.
- The co-operation between communities with social, spiritual and ecological approaches.
- Ethical and ecological use of biological, mineral, human, energetic and cultural resources.
- Autonomy, proximity and accountability in governance and economy.
- Tolerance of diversity in approaches to life and ways of living.
- Promotion of awareness of global interconnectedness.
- Continuously letting the vision evolve through seminars, vision quests and work forums.

A list of our members can be found at www.okosamfund.dk/medlemmer

LØS (Landsforeningen for Økosamfund)

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- Bjergager Solby (DK) ❄️
- Den Selvforsynende Landsby (DK) ❄️
- Dyssekilde Ecovillage (DK) ❄️
- Freetown Christiania (DK)
- Fri & Fro (DK)
- Munkesøgård (DK) ❄️
- Sættedammen (Saettedammen) CH# (DK)

Svanholm

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LVCW: Landelijke Vereniging Centraal Wonen

The LVCW is the Dutch association of cohousing (and other intentional) communities. About 60 cohousing communities are member of the association, and 10 of them are in the forming stage. In the already existing communities, there are about 1700 households, made up of about 3000-4000 grown-ups and children.

The LVCW was founded in 1977. It is co-founder of the Federation Gemeenschappelijk Wonen (the Dutch association of intentional communities).

LVCW: Landelijke Vereniging Centraal Wonen

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Mouvement des Oasis en Tous Lieux

The Oasis en Tous Lieux (meaning "Oasis in all places") are places of life whose aim is an autonomy supported by the nourishing Earth, the reduction of the environmental footprint, the support of multi-activities and the promotion of exchanges favoring the reconstruction of the social link.

Established in 1995 at the initiative of Pierre RABHI (see Wikipedia article), the network now comprises 16 different sites ranging from the small village of yurts to the eco hamlet. They are exchange areas which can be a combination of several homes or initiatives which are individual or family-type. They allow the implementation of a set of knowledge, know-how and cultural values with inter-generational solidarity practices, fighting against exclusions, promoting agroecology and the research of autonomy. They participate in the processes of rehabilitation and development of natural, agricultural and urban areas.

Mouvement des Oasis en Tous Lieux

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→ Le Hameau des Buis (F) ❄️

→ Le Pré Aux Yourtes (F)

Oasis de Lentiourel

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Oasis Pen Ann Hoat

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Network of Family Estates

This German language network aims to connect projects and people who are inspired by the family-smallholding idea in the Anastasia books, and who wish to promote the creation of family-smallholding settlements. We introduce projects, announce meetings and disseminate news (see website). Once or twice monthly we send out a newsletter.

Netzwerk Familienlandsitz-Siedlung

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New Creation Christian Community

The New Creation Christian Community is part of the Jesus Fellowship Church (also known as the Jesus Army). The Fellowship is an evangelical Christian church with a charismatic emphasis. The Community consists of around 550 residents in over 60 houses around the U.K. Each community house contains anything between six and sixty people, who live as a large “family”. Each house has a “common purse” arrangement, with members pooling their income to meet all personal and household expenses. All members are on an equal footing, with no privileges or extra financial incentives being accorded to anyone, including any of the leaders. The New Creation Christian Community has pioneered co-operative Christian businesses which provide paid employment for many who were previously unemployed. We receive visitors on a temporary basis for up to twelve months. If your stay is longer than a week, you pay a board and lodging charge, but the remainder of your income is entirely at your disposal.

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Radical Routes

Radical Routes is a co-op of co-ops in the UK. We support radical co-operatives - those opposed to capitalist systems of hierarchy, exploitation and money as power. We support co-operatives which are opposed to the destruction of the environment, as well as grass roots resistance to injustice. You can find a list of members on our website.

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- Cornerstone Housing Co-op (UK)
- Fireside Housing Co-op (UK)
- Keval Farm (UK)
- Ned (UK)

Red Ibérica de Ecoaldeas

Iberian Ecovillage Network (RIE) is the network that relates, connects and promotes:

- the different ecovillages which are working in Spain and Portugal
- the different projects that are wanting to create ecovillages
- some different associations with similar objectives
- people who are living, searching, finding and expressing themselves, to be fully present in this world: respecting the planet, respecting people.

In November 2001, the Founding Assembly of the Iberian Ecovillage Network was held in Madrid. From then until now our main objectives are:

- sharing information and resources among network members, other individuals or groups.
- dissemination of the concept of ecovillage and sustainable settlement
- facilitate rapprochement of people from towns and cities who want to engage in these life forms.

Red Ibérica de Ecoaldeas (RIE)

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→ Matavenero y Poibueno (E) ❄️

→ Tanquián (E)

REEN (Russian Ecovillage and Ecoinitiative Network)

The Russian Ecovillage and Ecoinitiative Network existed informally from 2005, and was formalized in 2012. It unites those eco-villages and eco-initiatives (both living in communities and not) which would like to spread their ideas of sustainable living in wider society, as well as build up a larger and tighter community of ecovillages and intentional communities. Today, in 2013, we have 10 full members and several associate members. Our full members include ecovillages and ecoinitiatives from the older «wave» (created in the 1990s) and from the young «wave» of new villages which have grown up from the popular idea of 1-hectar kin domains (also: Anastasia-Villages).

The Ecovillage and Ecoinitiative Network supports the organization and development of ecovillages in Russia, promotion of ideas and positive experience of ecovillages and ecoinitiatives to society for preservation and recovery of Mother Earth for future generations. Participants of the Network regardless of their confession believe that living sustainably on our planet depends on the realization of the following principles:

- Environmental care, preservation and recovery of natural biodiversity as absolute priority of any human activity on Earth;
- Principle of conscious minimalism coming up to replace the philosophy of unrestrained, constantly growing consumerism;
- Aspiration to the personal development and spiritual growth instead of striving to material accumulation and power;
- Peace as a universal principle concerning all sides of daily activity and interaction in the society.

REEN has several on-going projects:

1. It conducts activities to marry the ecovillage movement with old traditional villages to share experience and empower the villages
2. In 2012 it conducted the Festival of eco-technologies with 40 master-classes conducted in 4 days and 300 participants hosted, which is supposed to become an annual event
3. It conducts events for students and the general public to spread the ideas of ecovillages
4. It is developing new approaches to education in rural areas

REEN

RUS Russian Ecovillage and Ecoinitiatives Network

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→ Bolshoj Kamen (Big Stone) (RUS)

→ Ecovillage Grishino (RUS) ❄️

→ EcoVillage Yasnoe (RUS) ❄️

→ Medvinka (RUS) ❄️

RIVE - Rete Italiana dei Villaggi Ecologici

The Italian Ecovillage Network (RIVE) is a non-profit organization which since 1997 operates with the aims of spreading the ecovillage lifestyle and supporting the intentional communities which are present in the Italian territory. The representatives of the Italian ecovillages meet regularly every year. The objective of the meetings is dual: sometimes we exchange competences, share and experiment (with) tools for communication and community interior growth; other times we organize open-days to promote the culture and lifestyle of ecovillages.

There are about 20 ecovillages and about 25 ecovillage projects which are part of RIVE and which cover a variety of approaches and forms. They are differently inspired by permaculture, holism, spiritual practices, various political and social experiments, but they all share the aim of experimenting new social and ecological approaches which are more respectful of the Earth and the human being.

Besides ecovillages and ecovillage projects, RIVE is supported by individuals which feel close to this view and which have increased substantially in the last years.

RIVE adhere to other networks like GEN Europe, CONACREIS (Italian holistic network), WWOOF, and the Club of Budapest. Find a list of members on RIVE's website.

Rete Italiana dei Villaggi Ecologici - RIVE

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→ La Comune di Bagnaia (I) ✨

→ Utopiaggia (I)

→ Villaggio Upacchi (I)

Soshona Freundeskreis

We, Soshona, are an open circle of friends which currently comprises about 100 people from the Rhein-Main area. We strive to provide a trustworthy framework for exchanges and experiences regarding, amongst others, the following subjects: Love, friendship, community, spirituality, healing, children and personal development. Approximately 20-25 people come to our group meetings, which have occurred regularly since 1997. A small and variable team organises our meetings every 4-6 weeks. Alongside group meetings there are regular working groups who meet separately, for instance women's and men's groups. Two communities have evolved from our midst (see below). In the summer we organise our own summer camp and at New Year's we organise communal time with friends from our regional network. On two further long weekends in the year we meet for communal time. We celebrate seasonal festivities with the help of our fire pit and rituals. It's worth being amongst us! Interested people are welcome!

Soshona

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Twelve Tribes

Our life in the Communities of the Twelve Tribes can be compared to a beehive: Bees have no concern for themselves but have a common identity. As you come near the hive, you can hear an exciting buzz as they go about the many tasks necessary to keep the hive alive. The workers are responsible to collect nectar and guard the hive. The young bees keep the hive in good condition, feed the larvae, and support in other household chores. There is never a dull moment in the busy life of a little bee. This is much like the life that we have. No matter what we do, we love to do it together. Daily we gather to thank our Master for His salvation, and to hear Him speak to us through one another. This gathering keeps alive a genuine love and care for each other. As we work, we take advantage of the daily situations, guarding ourselves from the selfishness and pride that would come in to separate us and take away our love. Our children are a vital part of our life. We not only educate them, but we work with them to accomplish the simple tasks necessary to maintain a family life. Our life is not a dull routine of chores, but is full of the warmth that comes from the sweet fellowship of friends speaking their hearts to one another, celebrating the Sabbath every week, and participating in weddings and festivals. We welcome anyone to experience our life with us. Please come and see what it is like to be part of a beehive of people expressing the warmth and love of our Creator.

Communities of the Twelve Tribes

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Please refer to the chapter "Who is Community" on pages 36ff as to why we do not publish the detailed descriptions of individual Twelve Tribes Communities

Vereniging Ecodorp Nederland

Vereniging Ecodorp is the Dutch network organisation for ecovillages.

In the Netherlands there are no ecovillages as such. At the same time there are over 50 existing projects, from communities to ecodistricts to co-housing projects. And at present there are another 30 initiatives for new ecovillages and communities. Ranging from Anastasia villages and squatted military sites to a new neighbourhood with earthships.

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→ De Waterspin (NL)

→ De Wonne (NL)

→ Evangelical Community Elim (NL)

→ Franciscaans Milieuproject (NL)

→GWL-terrein (NL)

→Sidhadorp (NL) ❄️

WWOOF (World Wide Opportunities on Organic Farms)

WWOOF is a worldwide movement linking volunteers with organic farmers and growers to promote cultural and educational experiences based on trust and non monetary exchanges, thereby helping to build a sustainable global community. We are primarily a network of farmers and growers - but many of our farms are run by communities.

Please join a national WWOOF group, then you will be able to access its database of farms and start making (travelling) plans. National WWOOF offices are printed boldly in the following list. The other addresses are projects in our books who are also WWOOF-members.

WWOOF International

UK World Wide Opportunities on Organic Farms | Green Fish Resource Centre, 46-50 Oldham Street | M4 1LE Manchester
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→ Lebens- und Innovationsraum Schönwasser (A)

WWOOF Austria

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☎️ +43-(0)676-5051639 (Monday-Thursday 18-20 Uhr)
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WWOOF Schweiz

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WWOOF Czech Republic

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→ Eine Spinnerei (D)

→ Hofgemeinschaft Uranushof (D)

→ Kastanienhof (D)

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WWOOF Denmark

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→ El Pardal (E)

WWOOF Spain

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→ Ramounat (F)

WWOOF France

F ✉ hello@wwoof.fr 🌐 www.wwoof.fr

→ Hockerton Housing Project CH# (UK)

→ Woodhead Community (UK)

WWOOF United Kingdom

UK ✉ info@wwoof.org.uk 🌐 www.wwoof.org.uk

WWOOF Grece

GR ✉ info@wwoofgreece.org 🌐 www.wwoofgreece.org

WWOOF Hungary

H ✉ info@wwoof.hu 🌐 www.wwoof.hu

Az. Agr. Acquasanta ❄️

I loc. Malagronda 104 | 06062 Citta della Pieve (PG)
☎ +39-0578-294099 ✉ agricolaacquasanta@libero.it

WWOOF Italia

I 109 via Casavecchia | 57022 Castagneto Carducci
☎ +39-(0)565-765001 ✉ info@wwoof.it 🌐 www.wwoof.it

WWOOF Ireland

IRL ✉ infowwoofireland@gmail.com 🌐 www.wwoof.ie

WWOOF Israel

IL ✉ info@wwoof.org.il 🌐 www.wwoof.org.il

Eco Farm in Pajiesmeniai

LT Sodo str. 3 | LT-39449 Pajiesmeniai
☎ +370-(8)603-29485 ✉ gerai.labai@gmail.com 🌐 www.camperplace-ltu.page.tl/wwoof-lithuania.htm

WWOOF Lithuania

LT ✉ info@wwoof.lt 🌐 www.wwoof.lt

WWOOF Macedonia

MAZ ✉ wwoof.macedonia@gmail.com 🌐 www.wwoofmacedonia.org

WWOOF Moldova

MOL ✉ dumitruboaghe@yahoo.com 🌐 www.wwoofmoldova.org

WWOOF Norway

N ✉ mette@wwoofnorway.org 🌐 www.wwoofnorway.org

→ La Belle Verte (P)

WWOOF Portugal

P ✉ info@wwoof.pt 🌐 www.wwoof.pt

WWOOF Poland

PL ✉ wwoofpolska@10g.pl 🌐 www.wwoofpoland.wall.fm

→ Medvinka (RUS) ❄️

→ Stanciova Village (RO) ❄️

WWOOF Romania

RO ✉ wwoofromania@gmail.com 🌐 www.wwoof.ro

WWOOF Sweden

S ✉ contact@wwoof.se 🌐 www.wwoof.se

WWOOF Serbia

SRB ✉ info@wwoofserbia.org 🌐 www.wwoofserbia.org

WWOOF Turkey

TR ✉ info@tatuta.org 🌐 www.wwoofturkey.org

WWOOF Independents

www ✉ ian.baird@wwoofindependents.org



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darweech@gmail.com

Useful Addresses

In this section we list further useful addresses - of organisations that deal with living in community or work in other ways for sustainability; of places that are no communities but might be interesting for our readers nevertheless, or of other further resources for communal life. Again, the descriptions were provided by the described; in some cases we have edited the entries ourselves from material that is available to the public.

The addresses are listed in alphabetical order (first countries, then projects' names). **For internet resources that are not country specific we have invented the country „Internet“** which you can find between Hungary and Italy. Symbols are explained in the legend at the end of the book. The addresses are presented in the way you would address a letter: The vertical line | stands for a line break in the postal address; remember to add the country name if you actually mail a letter.

Austria

Für die Erde, für das Leben / Arbeitskreis Hopi Österreich

Obersdorf 35 | 8983 Bad Mitterndorf

☎ +43-(0)3623-2677 ✉ office@impuls-aussee.at 🌐 www.impuls-aussee.at

Following the disbandment of the working group "Hopi Austria" and the association "For the Earth, for Life" (1994), Alexander Buschenreiter and his family continue their discussions amongst a small group of friends and interested parties, as well as with traditional Hopi and other Native American Indians as a personal initiative. In this spirit, the transfer of donations and exchange of information continues.

Internationale Bibliothek für Zukunftsfragen

Robert-Jungk-Stiftung | Robert-Jungk-Platz 1 | 5020 Salzburg

☎ +43-(0)662-873206

✉ jungk-bibliothek@salzburg.at 🌐 www.jungk-bibliothek.at, www.prozukunft.org

In our interdisciplinary library we are gathering best practice models for sovereignty in the areas of energy and food as well as new models of living. Reviews about new books can be downloaded at www.prozukunft.org. In our own publications we speak about new models of welfare in a world of solidarity.



Pioneers of Change

Lindengasse 2/14 | 1070 Wien

☎ +43-(0)1-5246846-0

✉ pioneers@plenum.at

🌐 pioneersofchange.at

“Pioneers of Change” is a growing community dedicated to the transformation of society. Since 2010 we have offered year-long educational programmes for changemakers in an early stage - a powerful process to wake up to the individual and collective potential, liberating the inner truth and creating passionate projects for a more beautiful world.

projektentfaltung

Ballabeneweg 2/1 | 2424 Zurndorf ☎ +43-(0)720-978837

✉ dialog@projektentfaltung.at 🌐 www.projektentfaltung.at

We live in exciting times full of change. And we are lucky to be able to co-create these changes in a responsible and joyful manner. Our organisation (“Project Development”/“Projektentfaltung”) supports community founders and existing communities in doing so, and offers workshops and consultation for successful project development. Contact us today!

Belgium

Friends of the Earth Europe

Rue d-Edimbourg 26 | 1050 Bruxelles

☎ +32-(0)2-8931000 ✉ info@foeeurope.org 🌐 www.foeeurope.org

Friends of the Earth Europe campaigns for sustainable and just societies and for the protection of the environment. FoEE unites more than 30 national groups with thousands of local groups and is part of the world’s largest grassroots environmental network, Friends of the Earth International.

Kairos Europa

Brussels Office | Avenue du Parc Royal 3 | 1020 Bruxelles

☎ +32-(0)2-7623920 ✉ francois.gobbe@belgacom.net 🌐 www.kairoswb.com

Kairos Europa is a decentralized European network of initiatives and organisations, many of whom are from an ecumenical background. Goal: a socially just and ecological economic order linked with a financial order that is based on humanity and tax justice. In Belgium, with the two networks “Réseau pour la Justice fiscale” (RJF) and FAN (Financieel Aktie Netwerk); at the international level with Tax Justice Network (www.taxjustice.net) and Global Alliance for Tax Justice.

Samenhuizen

Roland Kums | Toekomststraat 6 | 1800 Vilvoorde

☎ +32-(0)489926464 ✉ info@samenuizen.be 🌐 www.samenuizen.be

Samenuizen is a Flemish non-profit organisation that promotes and supports all types of collaborative/intentional housing.

Denmark

Eco-net

Network for ecological education and practice | Ærtevej 120, Egense
5700 Svendborg ☎ +45-62244324/ +45-40734324 (mobile)

✉ eco-net@eco-net.dk 🌐 www.eco-net.dk, www.balancingact.dk

Network, ecology and education: Founded in 1994 to establish a foundation for information, exchange of experience and dialogue about initiatives in promoting a sustainable development in Denmark - by spreading information about meetings, courses etc., and by establishing connections between projects and people. New projects and ideas are presented at our annual meeting.

Foreningen Gaia Trust

Stavnsholt Gydevej 52 | 3460 Birkerød ☎ +45-(0)454255-81/-11

✉ hildurjackson@gaia.org, rossjackson@gaia.org 🌐 www.gaia.org

Gaia Trust, Denmark, is a charitable entity supporting sustainability projects around the world since 1987. Two NGOs especially have been supported for many years and continue to be supported, namely (1) Global Ecovillage Network and (2) Gaia Education. Many other smaller projects receive supporting grants from time to time.

Fornyet Energi/Renewable Energy

Øbrovej 9 | 4295 Stenlille

✉ fornyetenergi@fornyetenergi.dk 🌐 www.fornyetenergi.dk

Renewable Energy (Danish: Fornyet Energi) is an architecture- and building firm. We help with projecting work, consulting, practical building and workshops. Our designs include COB, passive solar, mass- and rocket stoves, light, "no waste of space", clay in many ways, and smart sanitation. Building with consciousness & care - for humans & environment.

Finland

Vegaaniliitto

Suvilahdenkatu 4 | 00500 Helsinki

✉ info@vegaaniliitto.fi 🌐 www.vegaaniliitto.fi

We are the Finnish Vegan society and promote and support a vegan lifestyle. The Society publishes a quarterly magazine "Vegaia". We attend exhibitions and festivals as well as give talks to a variety of organisations as part of our outreach work. We aim to make veganism an easily adopted and widely recognised approach to reducing animal and human suffering and environmental damage by means of meaningful, peaceful and factual dialogue with individuals and organisations.

France

Domaine de Magot

81330 Vabre ☎ +33-(0)6350-4802

A loose association of creative people, 30 ha within the Natural Park of the Languedoc. A good place for people who need time to reconnect with nature and their deeper selves and who are willing and able to work for 30 hrs per week. Minimum stay 2 wks, longer if it feels good for everybody. Restored vintage caravans serve as self-contained accommodation.

Eco Etho Research & Education Centre

La Combre | Bezaudun sur Bine | 26460 Drome

☎ +33-(0)475532027 ✉ marthe@horseridingfrance.com

🌐 www.eco-etho-recherche.com, www.horseridingfrance.com

We have a MULTI-SPECIES COMMUNITY. It is a new concept in community living, not only with humans.

Our ecological farm is a self-sustaining, diversified high net yielding agriculture that integrates wildlife and all the domestic animals in a system of equal consideration. The whole farm is a nature reserve.

We host an international conference on the future of agriculture, a multi species ballet illustrating cooperative teaching and cognition of our animals and humans, and a farm open day to show what has been achieved in 10 years in this difficult mountain environment. We are looking for people to take over the management or ownership.

F.E.V.E

Formation et Expérimentation du Vivre Ensemble

Place de l'Abbaye | 38160 Saint Antoine L' Abbaye

☎ +33-(0)476364825 ✉ feve@feve-nv.com

🌐 www.feve-nv.com

Every year since 2010, the community FÈVE (stands for "training and experimenting: living together") welcomes 10 persons aged between 22 and 40 with their families. The training includes sharing the life of the community, and teachings about inner life, non-violence, cooperation, group dynamics.



Folleterre EuroFaerie Sanctuary

Les Groulots, Route de la Montagne | F-70270 Ternuay-Melay-et-Saint-Hilaire

☎ +33-(0)384638940 ✉ info@folleterre.org 🌐 www.folleterre.org

We are queers of all ages, genders, shapes and sizes of all races, nationalities, faiths who connect to life and each other through the blessings of nature the power of the heart

through listening and sharing our stories
through our bodies and spirits
and through humour, drag, song, good food, drumming,
trance, massage, ritual, play, sensuality, spirituality and sexuality
we welcome all who wish to explore living and being this way.

Jardins felins

8 rue Descambis | 47210 Villereal

☎ +33-(0)663610674 ✉ foyerfelin@gmail.com 🌐 www.foyerfelin.free.fr

Jardins felins is an animal rescue organisation with resident cats and occasional wildlife. A small international community of caring people run this place in south west France. Volunteers are always welcome and are invited to make contact by phone before setting off for this destination, especially as we are moving house this year.

Reseaux Esperance

53, avenue Paul Doumer | 78360 Montesson

☎ +33-(0)143375542 ✉ agnes.cat@orange.fr 🌐 reseauxesperance.org

Founded in 1979, Reseaux Espérance continues with thing-and-actions related groups of people, working on new behaviour and individual/collective ways of life, for a human and ecologically sustainable world. We publish a quarterly bulletin. More information on the website.

Germany

Aktiv Hof Schlehdorf

Place for Unfolding of Potential | Kirchstraße 21 | 82444 Schlehdorf

☎ +49-(0)8851-9291980

✉ info@aktivhof-schlehdorf.de 🌐 www.aktivhof-schehdorf.de

The "Aktiv-Hof Schlehdorf" ("Schlehdorf Active Farm") is a cooperatively organised smallholding with social agriculture, permaculture, a seminar space and opportunities for young people. It offers people of all ages the opportunity to actively participate in the creation of models for a sustainable life and economy.

ARTABANA

Manholding 15 | 83339 Chieming

☎ +49-(0)8669-789-7216 ✉ info@artabana.de 🌐 www.artabana.de

ARTABANA is a solidary institution which helps its members with medical needs. Through ARTABANA, members support each other with:

- solidaric aid in case of need, disease and unhappiness
- training of solidarity & responsibility
- growth of trust due to active community building

- unlimited freedom of choice regarding personal therapy
- motivation for healthy lifestyles

Aufbruch - anders besser leben

c/o Aufbruch-Büro | An den Sekenkämpfen 8 | 34434 Borgentreich

☎ +49-(0)5643-947232

✉ aufbruch@anders-besser-leben.de 🌐 www.anders-besser-leben.de

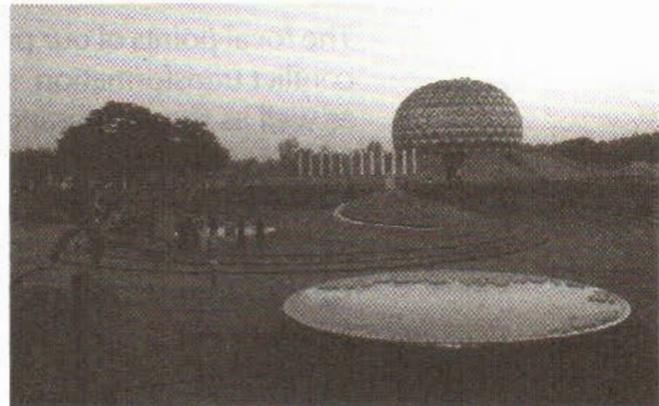
An initiative for people who want to structure their daily lives differently, who want to live more holistically and communally, who want to take personal responsibility for their dream of a different, better world.

Auroville International (AVI) Deutschland e.V.

Solmsstrasse 6 | 10961 Berlin

☎ +49-(0)30-42803150 ✉ info@auroville.de 🌐 www.auroville.de

AVI is a regional contact point of the world-wide network around the large, international, eco-spiritual Auroville settlement in India. The association gives information about Auroville, its ideals and the latest developments, creating a network of people interested in Auroville. Further contact info for Europe at www.auroville-international.org



AWIG - Verein für gemeinschaftliches Wohnen e.V.

Ehrlichstr. 3 | 01067 Dresden

☎ +49-(0)351-4662914 ✉ awigdd@web.de 🌐 www.awigverein.de

AWIG – Association for Communal Living (“AWIG – Verein für gemeinschaftliches Wohnen e.V.”) offers: consultation for citizens of different age-groups regarding communal living, support during the establishment of housing projects, exchanges of experiences with other interested people and living initiatives, contact persons for existing projects, networking between initiatives and initiators.

be utopia!

Mariannenstrasse 5 | 10997 Berlin

☎ +49-(0)176-28040118

✉ claudiawepner@web.de 🌐 www.utopiaberlin2013.wordpress.com/utopia

Utopia makes it possible to experience community and brings people together with the help of art, dance, meditation, theatre and music. The Utopia Initiative was created out of a deep yearning for community and networking in the place where we live: Berlin, not in the peaceful land-based communities or somewhere far away. We are always open to dedicated people – like YOU!

Beutelsbacher Konsens Demok(g)ratie-Werkstatt (BKDW)

Alternativen-Netz Lychen | Weinbergstraße 5 | 17279 Lychen

☎ +49-(0)15254033406

✉ rempt-lychen@web.de 🌐 www.konsenz.net, www.global-love.eu

We want to develop a sort of “community-laboratory”, where humans can at least find a “basis-liberty” in the sense of self-orientation and free choice: to get the possibility to widen their horizons and to see all alternatives for the choices in life, without censorship or filtering, really getting the abilities to make free choices - instead of all the manipulation and usurpation around us. We put our hope on truth and love as the strongest powers in the world, which always keeps open an exit from the global destruction, and a chance for healing our souls and the world!

Bildungs-und Begegnungsstätte für gewaltfreie Aktion e.V.

KURVE Wustrow | Kirchstr. 14 | 29462 Wustrow

☎ +49-(0)5843-98710 ✉ info@kurviewustrow.org 🌐 www.kurviewustrow.org

The focal points of our peace work are: trainings and workshops in civil nonviolent conflict transformation, sending civil peace workers into the world's crisis regions, as well as the organisation and supervision of a voluntary year for young people.

Bundesverband der Regionalbewegung e.V.

Museumstraße 1 | 91555 Feuchtwangen

☎ +49-(0)9852-1381

✉ info@regionalbewegung.de 🌐 www.regionalbewegung.de

The Federation of German Regional Movements (“Bundesverband der Regionalbewegung e.V.”) comprises, supports and connects diverse activities in the field of regional sustainable development. The federation considers regionally based economic policy to play an important role in securing and creating work, in preserving regional identity and improving quality of life.

Dorfgeist

Vernetzung und Umsetzung von Gemeinschaftsprojekten

Grüner-Jäger-Weg 2 | 21365 Adendorf

☎ +49-(0)175 4333778 ✉ info@dorfgeist.de 🌐 www.dorfgeist.de

Dorfgeist (“village spirit”) is both a philosophy and platform to encourage a region. It concerns a society where common welfare comes before profit. Dorfgeist offers information about eco-ligent life, as well as cross-linking people with their potential capacity and resources.

Via an educational institution it is possible to support unemployed people on their way into self-employment within own housing-, farm-, village-, district and multigenerational projects.

DRK Beratungsstelle LebensWohnraum

für Rheinland-Pfalz | Mitternachtsgasse 6 | 55116 Mainz

☎ +49-(0)6131-26933

✉ info@drk-lebenswohnraum.de www.drk-lebenswohnraum.de

State information centre for communal living, for information and consultation, meeting place and exchange of experiences, access to coaching and expertise, organisation of educational events and conferences.

ecovillage e.V.

c/o Hans-Rolf Brinkmann | Glogauer Weg 38 | 49088 Osnabrück

☎ +49-(0)541-445941 ✉ ecovillage@gmx.de www.ecovillage.de

The purpose of this nationwide, registered and not-for-profit association is the advancement of environmental protection and of the collective, or society as a whole. Amongst other things we do this by supporting ecovillages and by having founded one. In the surroundings of the association, a community project has been under way since 2011.

Erd Charta (Earth Charter - German Office)

Deutsche Koordinierungsstelle der internationalen Erd-Charta Initiative

Mittelstraße 4 | 34474 Diemelstadt-Wethen

☎ 05694-1417 ✉ info@oeiew.de www.erdcharta.de

The Earth Charter (EC) is an international declaration of the basic ethical principles for worldwide sustainable development. Amongst other things, the EC coordination office bundles and connects EC educational activities, organises conferences, offers workshops and talks, trains "multipliers" to teach about the EC. The EC as a "shared global vision" wonderfully complements the local implementation of goals of communities who care about social and economic justice, ecological unity and participation, peace and non-violence.

Frauenlandhaus Charlottenberg

Kultur- u. Begegnungsstätte für Frauen e.V.

Holzappelerstraße 3 | 56379 Charlottenberg

☎ +49-(0)6439-7531 ✉ mail@frauenlandhaus.de www.frauenlandhaus.de

The "women's country house" Charlottenberg ("Frauenlandhaus Charlottenberg") was founded in 1983 by women for women. Aside from being a holiday home, this seminar and meeting house is an officially recognised educational establishment. Approximately 80 seminars are offered annually in further education, health, spirituality and culture. Our fundamental concept is holistic.

Gemeinschaftsbildung (Community Building)

nach Scott Peck Götz Brase & Team

Schloss Oberbrunn, Seenerstr 4

83132 Oberbrunn/Pittenhart

☎ +49-(0)8624-8795962, +49-(0)40-22691720



✉ gemeinschaftsbildung@t-online.de www.gemeinschaftsbildung.com

In recent years, Scott Peck's Foundation for Community Encouragement (FCE) has become increasingly popular in German-speaking areas. It includes not only personal disarmament and non-violent communication, but also self-government of groups and individual contributions towards finding a path that sustains the communal heart. We offer short and weekend workshops and are concerned with the exploration of intensive community.

Gesellschaft für angewandte Tiefenökologie (Deep Ecology) e.V.

Ökodorf Sieben Linden | 38489 Beetzendorf ☎ +49-(0)39000-90862

✉ info@tiefenoekologie.de www.tiefenoekologie.de

Deep ecology is about the insight that the world is a living system, in which everything is connected and interdependent. It is open to the dynamics of self-organisation of living and developing systems and sees us humans as a strand in the web of life, interwoven into the natural connections from which we were created. Deep ecology combines cognitive, emotional and spiritual elements and levels of tangible societal and political actions. We offer presentations, seminars and training.

GRIBS - Kommunalbüro

Letzengasse 13a | 96052 Bamberg ✉ post@gribs.net www.gribs.net

We are a service bureau for alternative and green local politicians in Bavaria. Our knowledge encompasses a pretty large pool of subjects.

Hagia Chora - ayia chora

Schule für Geomantie | Rathausplatz 15 | 82362 Weilheim

☎ +49-(0)881-9258945 ✉ ausbildung@hagia-chora.org

www.hagia-chora.org, www.campus-hagiachora.com

"To earth a new culture". We see ourselves as co-creators of a new culture, which is based on experiencing the Earth, and all life, as multi-dimensional, and to live accordingly.

Hand in Hand

Gemeinschaftsberatung | c/o Ökodorf Sieben Linden | 38489 Beetzendorf

☎ Eva: +49-(0)39000-51237; Kariin: -907950; Martin: -903903

✉ buero@gemeinschaftsberatung.de www.gemeinschaftsberatung.de

Our offer:

- conflict management, moderation of communal processes, support in finding consensus and restructuring;
- support in trust-creation, reflections on group situations, definition of shared goals;
- advice regarding project organisation, legal status and financing

Herberge Demogratia

Mühlstr. 8 | 04741 Roßwein

☎ Matthias: +49-(0)15211953995, Öff Öff: +49-(0)15785065676

✉ 1mj1974aw@terrania.org, schenker_oeff@yahoo.de

🌐 www.konsenz.net, www.global-love.eu, www.terrania.org

Existing since 2012 the non-profit-organization "Verein(=association) pro Beutelsbacher Consensus VBK e.V." has become the owner of the seminary-house "Herberge Demogratia". In 2013, the "Schenkers-(givers- or gift-)Movement" and "Terrania" became a part of it. This project supports a development of true liberty and maturity/responsibility of people.

ijgd - Internationale Jugendgemeinschaftsdienste e. V. -

Bundesverein | Kasernenstraße 48 | 53111 Bonn

☎ +49-(0)228-2280058 ✉ workcamp.leader@ijgd.de 🌐 www.ijgd.de

Organise international 3-week work camps, domestic and abroad. The camps are made up of youth groups of 15 volunteers (16-28 years) with the goal of international understanding through encounters in everyday situations.

ISKCON Heidelberg e.V.

Bhakti-Yoga Zentrum | Forum 5 Whg 4 | 69126 Heidelberg

☎ +49-(0)6221-384553

✉ info@iskcon-heidelberg.de 🌐 www.iskcon-heidelberg.de

We follow the mission of Srila Prabhupada and His ISKCON movement.

Kana

Dortmunder Suppenküche e.V. | Mallinckrodtstraße 114 | 44145 Dortmund

☎ +49-(0)231-839853

✉ info@kana-suppenkueche.de 🌐 www.kana-suppenkueche.de

A Christian grassroots community – members live independently, but commit themselves for one year at a time to share their time, talents and a portion of their income for the common project.

Five times a week we welcome poor and homeless people and share soup and coffee together. We are part of the Catholic Worker movement.

Komm-Rat

Beratungsgruppe in der Kommune Niederkaufungen

Kirchweg 1 | 34260 Kaufungen

☎ +49-(0)5605-80070 ✉ info@kommune-niederkaufungen.de

We offer project consultation for beginning or already existing groups. We can draw on our long-term community experience. The focal points of our consultation are: legal forms, finances, building, work, organising everyday life, pension schemes, group dynamics, non-violent communication. Depending on needs and issues, we provide support through supervision, moderation and future workshops.

KuBiZ

Kultur- und Bildungszentrum Raoul Wallenberg | Bernkastelerstr 78 | 13088 Berlin
www.kubiz-wallenberg.de

KuBiZ offers a place for all those who want to get involved in flat hierarchies, and self-organised and emancipatory ways of living. Cooperation and mutual help are central pillars of KuBiZ's organisational structure, the process of self-organisation is at the core. Shared use of resources, exchange of know-how and experience provide an important basis for emancipatory projects. We have

- The alternative media centre "Bunte Kuh" ("colourful cow")
- People working in media who would like to develop an intensive infrastructure for media productions
- For craftspeople there is a wood workshop as well as a bicycle workshop.

The infrastructure of the workshop as well as the media centre are partly made available for projects and self-help initiatives. Alongside two sets of classrooms, there is a 180m² assembly hall which has been renovated into a theatre, and there is also a gymnasium. The rooms are rented out for events.

Kulturinitiative "lebendig leben"

Tierberg 10/1 | 74542 Braunsbach

☎ +49-(0)7905-9416901 ✉ anja@kulturinitiative-lebendig-leben.de

www.kulturinitiative-lebendig-leben.de

The cultural initiative was founded in 1988 by members of various youth groups (scouts, Wandervögel etc.). It seeks to highlight alternative lifestyles and encourage responsible behaviour. It organises regular festivals with artistic groups, lectures, and music and publishes the journal "Idee und Bewegung".

L'Arche Germany and Austria

Hofbauers Kamp 6 | 49545 Tecklenburg

☎ +49-(0)5482-4018984

✉ region@arche-deutschland.de www.arche-deutschland.de

L'Arche is a worldwide network of communities of Christian origin, in which people with intellectual disabilities, and non-disabled people, share their lives and live together in small houses. In Germany: Tecklenburg, Ravensburg and Landsberg/Lech; in Austria: Gries/Tirol; in Switzerland: three L'Arche-communities.

Lebensform Gemeinschaft

Marita Bergmann | Pappelweg 3 | 19217 Carlow

☎ +49-(0)38873-20969 ✉ marita@bergmann-seminare.de

www.marita-bergmann.de, www.pappelweg-drei.de

Provides identification, consultancy, guidance and training for persons seeking communities, for groups in the founding process, and for existing communities in the form of seminars and supervision.

Liebeskunst-Netzwerk Berlin

Leben und Lieben in Gemeinschaft | Wilhelmshavener Straße 27 | 10551 Berlin

☎ +49-(0)176-96839290 ✉ liebeskunst-netzwerk@berlin007.de

🌐 www.liebeskunst-netzwerk.de

The "Liebeskunst-Netzwerk Berlin" (Art of Love Network Berlin) is located in Berlin/Germany. It brings people into contact who are interested in "living and loving in community." The contacts are made through the "Liebeskunst-Newsletter". Readers can invite people for common events, such as breakfast, cooking, movie night and forum. The newsletter also provides news from community projects in and around Berlin, sometimes also nationwide.

Modell für ganzheitliche Permakultur und Demokratie

Welt-Zelle Marburg

Marburg-Projekt, z.Hd. Öff Öff, Eulenberg 16 | 35260 Stadtallendorf

☎ +49-(0)157-85065676 ✉ global-neighbourhood@regioagentur.net

🌐 global-neighbourhood.regioagentur.net

In the region of Marburg some initiatives are getting together for an alternative kick-off. Some aspects are:

A weaving together of rural and urban initiatives (www.stadtleben-mit-landliebe.de) is connected with a cooperation between non-profit associations and cooperatives. Especially the "Landhüter-Genossenschaft"/"carer for the land-cooperative" has been founded, in order to build a legal framework, as an "umbrella-organization for eco-neighbourhoods in nearby villages".

Naturinsel Drachenmühle

Regenbogenland | Zur Mühle | 04769 Mügeln OT Schweta

☎ +49-(0)34362-44390 ✉ info@drachenmuehle.de 🌐 www.drachenmuehle.de

Vision/Goal of "Nature Island Drachenmühle" is to create a permanent eco-venue for workshops and seminars as well as for dynamic exchanges of experience.

Naturwert-Stiftung

Oberthingauer Str. 4a | 87647 Unterthingau ☎ +49-(0)8377-219441

✉ info@naturwert-stiftung.de 🌐 www.naturwert-stiftung.de

For many years, the "Natural Value Foundation" (Naturwert-Stiftung) has focused on permaculture restructuring of agricultural cropland with naturally integrated buildings and natural ways of living. The so-called "DIES-EIDs" was built lovingly and single-handedly as the first research-project of a "kins domain" (also called "family estate"). An acre of exposed meadow was upgraded into a flowery, fertile garden with ramparts, ponds, fed by a stream, with "huegel-beds" and raised beds for vegetables and fruit, and with many planted trees. Since 2012, the "Nature Value Foundation" (Naturwert-Stiftung) cooperates with the "Research Institute of Permaculture & Transition" to realize so-called "kins domain villages." Research is done on topics such as humus buildup, renaturation, self-preservation, legal issues and social-ethical change.

Netz kraftbewegung

Marsstr. 70 | 46509 Xanten

☎ +49-(0)281-3106 ✉ info@netz kraftbewegung.de 🌐 www.netz kraft.net

Publication of a directory of individuals and groups who have committed themselves in a spirit of solidarity to ecological, social, political or spiritual goals.

Netzwerk Selbsthilfe Berlin - der politische Förderfonds

im MehringHof | Gneisenaustraße 2a | 10961 Berlin ☎ +49-(0)30-6913072

✉ mail@netzwerk-selbsthilfe.de 🌐 netzwerk-selbsthilfe.de

The "Berlin Self-Help Network" ("Netzwerk Selbsthilfe Berlin") is the founder of an independent solidary fund, which is supported by its members. The idea of the network is implemented in three ways: Promoting – Connecting – Supporting. As a working resource for projects, the network regularly publishes a brochure for associations, self-organised projects and political initiatives.

Netzwerk Selbsthilfe e.V.

Netzwerkbüro | Schwantalerstraße 139 | 80339 München

✉ netzwerk-muenchen@gmx.de 🌐 www.netzwerk-muenchen.de

Association for the promotion of self-administered projects and political, cultural and social initiatives. They distribute subsidies and loans.

Netzwerkagentur GenerationenWohnen

STATTBAU mbH im Umweltforum Auferstehungskirche

Pufendorfstr. 11 | 10249 Berlin ☎ +49-(0)30-69081777

✉ beratungsstelle@stattbau.de 🌐 www.netzwerk-generationen.de

Since 2008, this consultancy for intergenerational living in Berlin offers information and free advice to individuals, co-housing groups, co-housing communities, landlords and investors.

oekojobs.de - Ökojobs in Europa

Trenthorst 17a | 23847 Westerau ☎ +49-(0)4539-181686

✉ info@oekojobs.de 🌐 www.oekojobs.de, www.eco-jobs.info

With eco-jobs.info you can engage for a better world. Here you can find possibilities for volunteer places, internships, jobs, workcamps and community work in environment and nature protection in Europe.

Employers from organisations, ecological businesses or social entrepreneurs can add or edit new job offers in the database

ÖKODORF-Institut für Wohnprojekte

Beratung bei Gemeinschaftssuche/-gründung

Alpenblickstr.12 | 79737 Herrischried ☎ +49-(0)7764-933999

✉ oekodorf@gemeinschaften.de 🌐 www.gemeinschaften.de

Providing support for community search/foundation since 1980: address exchange (over 25,000 contacts), interspiritual Ecovillage Festivals (encounters with communities, founding initiatives & interested persons), email newsletters to some 4,000 persons interested in the community movement, media (mail-order books, videos, CDs, games...), real estate information. Consultations and seminars are also offered with co-operation partners in other parts of Germany and neighbouring countries.

Öko-Institut e.V.

Institut für angewandte Ökologie | Merzhauser Str. 173 | 79100 Freiburg
 ☎ +49-(0)761-45295-0 ✉ info@oeko.de 🌐 www.oeko.de

Oeko-Institut is a leading European research and consultancy institute working for a sustainable future. Founded in 1977, the institute develops principles and strategies for realising the vision of sustainable development globally, nationally and locally.

Ökumenische Initiative Eine Welt (ÖIEW)

Mittelstraße 4 | 34474 Diemelstadt-Wethen
 ☎ +49-(0)5694-1417 ✉ info@oeiew.de 🌐 www.erdcharta.de, www.oeiew.de

“The One World Ecumenical Initiative” exists since 1976 and is a nationwide initiative for justice for the current generation, as well as between the current and future generations (sustainable development). Current emphasis: the development-political education with the Earth-Charter (EC), the fundamental ethic for sustainability.

Permakultur Akademie

Zweckbetrieb des gemeinnützigen Permakultur Institut e.V.
 Kreuziger Straße 19 | 10247 Berlin 🌐 www.permakultur-akademie.net
 ☎ +49-(0)30-89208488 ✉ bueroberlin@permakultur-akademie.net

Courses and training for permaculture (designing self-sufficiency systems, communities etc.). The Academy’s management is a community project that follows the concept of Dragon Dreaming.

pro... gemeinsam bauen und leben

Wohngenossenschaft eG | Haußmannstr. 6 | 70188 Stuttgart
 ☎ +49-(0)711-2348162

✉ info@pro-wohngenossenschaft.de 🌐 www.pro-wohngenossenschaft.de

The “pro... living and building together” cooperative was founded in 1999 to support groups who wish to create communal multi-generational housing projects – through advice and concept development, property searches and negotiation with communities, and during the building stages in close cooperation with the project group.

Project Peace

Mein JA!hr für die Welt | Kirchstrasse 21 | 82444 Schlehdorf

☎ +49-(0)8851-9291982 ✉ propeace@sinn-stiftung.eu 🌐 www.projectpeace.de

Project Peace is a transition year programme dealing with self development, peace, ecology and sustainability for 18 to 25 year olds. A group of 15 people lives,

learns and works as a community on Aktiv Hof Schlehdorf (aktivhof-schlehdorf.de) in the South of Germany. For 6 months the participants volunteer in cutting edge projects and initiatives (GEN and others).

Projektwerkstatt Saasen

Ludwigstr. 11 | 35447 Reiskirchen ☎ +49-(0)6401-903283

✉ saasen@projektwerkstatt.de 🌐 www.projektwerkstatt.de/saasen

Die Projektwerkstatt (the Project Workshop) is above all a political centre with everything that entails: libraries, archives, group rooms, even a conference house, plus technical equipment ranging from computers and layout archives all the way to fax machines, photocopiers etc. There's now an opportunity to assemble an entirely new crew: we are looking for people who want to organise the Project Workshop with their ideas as the hub of radical political and autonomous work. One idea we've been tossing about is organising people from totally different political spheres into a trans-issue dialogue and exchange collective - for example between antifascist, feminist, ecological, internationalist and many other groups.

RGW Beratungsbüro Berlin

Richardstr. 99 | 12043 Berlin ✉ willi.rgw@web.de

The "RGW Advisory Office" ("RGW Beratungsbüro) in Berlin advises groups, associations, housing projects, communes, businesses and other social enterprises who wish to regulate their group structure, organisation or establishment contractually. It is an organisation that helps to work out contracts (e.g. regarding distribution of finances or method of collaboration) according to the social and economic aspects involved. We have also worked and advised on a number of other aspects in our offices over the past 20 years, for and with communal projects. Alongside us, a second advisory collective ("AG Beratung", aka AGB) has come into existence with a very similar list of offers (agberatung@buelos.de).

Schlafbuch der Erdenbürger

Übernachtungsverzeichnis auf Gegenseitigkeit | Waldsiedlung 9 | 14806 Bad Belzig

☎ +49-(0)33841-380371 ✉ schlafbuch@web.de 🌐 www.schlafbuch.de

A Schlafbuch ("sleep book") is a collection of addresses of hospitable people who are happy to provide other people accommodation for a few days.

Stiftung Mitarbeit

Ellerstr. 67 | 53119 Bonn

☎ +49-(0)228-604240 ✉ info@mitarbeit.de 🌐 www.mitarbeit.de

The "Stiftung Mitarbeit" ("Cooperation Foundation") promotes democratic development at a grassroots level ("from below") and sees itself as a service centre for civil commitment outside of political parties and large organisations. The Stiftung Mitarbeit distributes start-up funding within its financial means for the benefit of initiatives, projects and groups who are innovatively active within social, educational, cultural or political areas, and who provide good examples of individual co-determination and co-creation within our society.

Stiftung Ökologie & Landbau

Weinstraße Süd 51 | 67098 Bad Dürkheim

☎ +49-(0)6322-989700 ✉ info@soel.de 🌐 www.soel.de

This foundation has been active in the development of ecological agriculture for five decades. Their working emphasis is on the coordination of protagonists as well as the accessibility and dissemination of information about organic agriculture amongst decision-makers in science, practice and consultation.

Stiftung trias

Gemeinnützige Stiftung für Boden, Ökologie und Wohnen

Martin-Luther-Str. 1 | 45525 Hattingen

☎ +49-(0)2324-9022213 ✉ info@stiftung-trias.de 🌐 www.stiftung-trias.de

The Stiftung trias is a non-profit foundation supporting cooperative and ecological housing projects as well as reforms concerning ownership of ground and property. Trias studies, finances and networks for collaborative housing across Germany, focusing on self-organized projects including ecological building methods.

The Foundation has been working closely since 2002, both locally and nationally, to not only gain attention for community-orientated housing but support housing projects in a general way. Activities include a wide range of events and seminars, relevant publications and an online database documenting such housing projects across the country. See www.wohnprojekte-portal.de.

TAK AÖ - Theoriearbeitskreis für Alternative Ökonomie

c/o AG SPAK Bücher | Burlafinger Str. 11 | 89233 Neu-Ulm

☎ +49-(0)7308-919094 ✉ waldemar@leibi.de

Informal structure of persons interested in alternative economic forms, who meet quarterly and publish a circular.

The Institute for Earth Education

Deutschland e.V. | Postfach 1827 | 21308 Lüneburg ☎ +49-(0)4131-2472831

✉ info@earth-education.org 🌐 www.earth-education.org

Earth Education programmes emphasize understanding basic ecological processes, developing positive feelings for the natural world, and making personal lifestyle changes. The homepage of the international institute is: www.eartheducation.org

Villa Lebenslust

Frankenstr. 21 | 63849 Leidersbach

☎ +49-(0)6092-8242743, +49-(0)176-24876826

✉ info@vision-vital.de 🌐 www.vitalpaedagogik.de

The "Art of Living Villa", with its surrounding teaching and project garden facilities, is a conference centre which is a pilot demonstration for vital education with decentralised housing units. Vital education teaches us to create togetherness where adversity exists due to separation: help due to mobbing, burnout, arbitrariness due to the powerful, and a shared enjoyment of health and nature.

Werkstatt für Gewaltfreie Aktion, Baden

Vaubanallee 20 | 79100 Freiburg

☎ +49-(0)761-43284 ✉ buero.freiburg@wfga.de 🌐 www.wfga.de

The Workshop for Non-Violent Action in Baden was founded in 1984 as an independent educational and training facility. We support groups and individuals in their quest to become active against violence, to accomplish non-violent resistance, to resolve conflicts in a non-violent manner and to develop non-violent alternatives. We offer extensive training in alternatives to military and war, non-violent action, campaigning, civic courage, mediation, consensus decision-making, non-violent communication and conflict resolution. Our workshop offers a learning space which allows us to experience that the world can be changed without resorting to violence.

wohnbund e.V.

Verband zur Förderung wohnungspolitischer Initiativen

Aberlestraße 16/Rgb. | 81371 München

☎ +49-(0)89-74689611 ✉ info@wohnbund.de 🌐 www.wohnbund.de

The wohnbund was founded in 1983. The network offers a forum for organizations and experts who support the development of contemporary housing concepts like cooperative, multi-generational housing, cohousing and neighborhood development.

wohnbund members meet in working groups on issues like social urban development and organize conferences to reach public attention. The wohnbund also publishes a printed newsletter.

WohnBund-Beratung NRW GmbH

Humboldtstraße 42 | 44787 Bochum

☎ +49-(0)234-90440-0 ✉ kontakt@wbb-nrw.de 🌐 www.wbb-nrw.de

WohnBund-Beratung NRW works as a consultancy in the field of Co-Housing. We support initiatives by organising open meetings, workshops, moderation of the group-process, project development, financing, legal form etc.

Wohnprojekte Berlin - Portal für gemeinschaftliche Wohnprojekte

Winfried Härtel | Oranienplatz 5 | 10999 Berlin ☎ +49-(0)30-69569380

✉ redaktion@wohnportal-berlin.de 🌐 www.wohnportal-berlin.de

On our web portal you will find countless examples and offers from groups who engage in the process of communally organised living as well as building projects. Additional texts delve deeper into this topic. The emphasis is on communal life, living and building, as well as ecological and resource-efficient construction.

Wohnprojekte-Portal

c/o Stiftung trias | Martin-Luther-Str. 1 | 45525 Hattingen

☎ 02324-9022213 ✉ info@stiftung-trias.de

The www.wohnprojekte-portal.de could be called a dictionary for co-housing projects. You will find people looking for a project, groups, projects under development as well as established co-housing projects. Furthermore there are addresses of consultants, downloads, literature and other interesting information.

WohnStrategen e.V.

Gemeinsam Planen & Bauen in Thüringen | Jakobstraße 10 | 99423 Weimar

☎ +49-(0)3643-7736496 ✉ info@wohnstrategen.de 🌐 www.wohnstrategen.de

Since 2005 we have focussed our voluntary work efforts on information and education regarding communal living as a possible future-proof way of life in Thuringia. We have also concentrated on making connections between projects and providing initial consultation for new project groups or people in search of projects.

World Future Council

Mexikoring 29 | 22297 Hamburg ☎ +49-(0)40-3070914-0

✉ info@worldfuturecouncil.org 🌐 www.worldfuturecouncil.org

Here at the World Future Council we endeavour to bring the interests of future generations to the centre of policy making. In close collaboration with civil society groups, Members of Parliament, governments, businesses and international organisations we research future just policies and legislation. We then advise political decision-makers, offer them tried and tested courses of action and support them in the concrete implementation of new policies.

www.oekosiedlungen.de

Das Internetportal für nachhaltige Siedlungen | Reuterstr. 157 | 53113 Bonn

☎ +49-(0)228-22788280

✉ wolpensinger@oekosiedlungen.de 🌐 www.oekosiedlungen.de

www.oekosiedlungen.de presents more than 200 eco-settlements including more than 26,000 apartments created in Germany in the past 30 years. In many eco-settlements, communal aspects play a vital role, but the extent of communal work and interdependence vary enormously.

Hungary

Hungarian Living Villages Network

Török Ignác utca 3. | 2835 Agostyán

✉ ideirhacc@gmail.com www.elofaluhalozat.hu

The Hungarian Living-Village Network (or GEN-Hungary) is the non-formal organisation which was established in the early 90's and aims to connect the sustainable communities in the country. The network is open and grows with new communities every one or two years. It organizes four meetings every year, two internals for members only and two bigger gatherings, one in the summer and one in the winter. The network also runs a paperback magazine, published each season, and an electronic newsletter every two weeks.

The main aim is to show to society that ecovillages offer real alternatives to the current crisis, and to support newly forming communities with some basic information.

Internet

Anders-Leben-Wiki

www.anderslebenwiki.de.vu

Couchsurfing

www.couchsurfing.org

Travel the world: Find local hosts to stay with in over 100,000 cities.

Rediscover your city: Meet visiting travelers & locals at events in your area.

Become a host: Give back by opening your home to travelers.

Hospitality Club

www.hospitalityclub.org

Our aim is to bring people together - hosts and guests, travelers and locals. Thousands of Hospitality Club members around the world help each other when they are traveling - be it with a roof for the night or a guided tour through town. The web based database lists hosts who are willing to accommodate travellers for free. The organisation is supported by volunteers.

Mondamo-Links

✉ verzeichnis@mondamo.de www.mondamo.de/linklist

Collection of internet-links to alternative projects, websites and communities. Topics range from renewable energies, gender studies, education and spirituality to environmental protection, utopias and responsibility.

Moneyless World

✉ hello@moneyless.info 🌐 moneyless.info

In a world where no one asks for money, everyone needs no money! Supporting the development of a worldwide community based on a culture of sharing & carrying = helping each other. Focus:

- Providing up to date information about existing networks whose participants cultivate such a culture
- Helping with improving cooperation between those networks
- Working on making it more convenient for everyone to participate in multiple networks (putting special emphasis on supporting cooperation between people developing those networks to remove any technological obstacles)

Italy

Fiera delle Utopie Concrete

Via Marconi 8 | 06012 Città di Castello ☎ +39-075-8554321

✉ coordinatore@utopieconcrete.it 🌐 www.utopieconcrete.it

The “Trade Show for Applied Utopia” is an annual eco-cultural event that takes place in Città di Castello in Umbria on the second weekend in October. Commercial and social experiences and solutions for ecological change are presented in seminars, conferences and exhibitions.

WWOOF Italia

109 via Casavecchia | 57022 Castagneto Carducci

☎ +39-(0)565-765001 ✉ info@wwoof.it 🌐 www.wwoof.it

The purpose of WWOOF is to create an interest and understanding for organic and biodynamic ways of living. In addition to this, WWOOF makes it possible for people to travel cheaply all over the world and, at the same time, to give help where it is wanted and needed. WWOOF is an exchange, the host farm expects you to help out on the farm in exchange for food and accommodation. The WWOOF Italia list of 450 farms includes biodynamic and organic farms and smallholdings. Some hosts live from farming and sell their products while others just want to have a degree of self sufficiency in their food. The farms are situated all over Italy with a large concentration in Tuscany & Umbria. They vary from large 500 hectare farms to family smallholdings – the common factor being that they are all organic.

Lithuania

Eco Farm in Pajiesmeniai

Sodo str. 3 | LT-39449 Pajiesmeniai

☎ +370-(8)603-29485 ✉ gerai.labai@gmail.com

 www.camperplace-ltu.page.tl/woof-lithuania.htm

Family organic farming and ecotourism project with the opportunity to spread to the whole village community. Welcome to stay in authentic Lithuanian environment which prevailed more than fifty years ago, when every rural Lithuanian family was following organic farming principles and was respectfully using nature's gifts.

Netherlands

NELK

Netwerk Ecologische Landelijke Kernen | Jan van Nassauweg 9

8355VA Giethoorn  +31-(0)618544066

 archiefnelk@yahoo.com  sites.google.com/site/nelkwiki

NELK makes network facilities for people who (want to) live ecologically, anywhere in the world.

NelkWiki is the free of charge public database in which you can add and search for publications, people, activities and supply and demand of goods and services. Now available in Dutch. Versions in English, Spanish, German and French will follow.

Omslag

Werkplaats voor Duurzame Ontwikkeling

Hoogstraat 301a, Postbus 81 | 5600 AB Eindhoven

 +49-(0)40-2910295  omslag@omslag.nl  www.omslag.nl/wonen

In 2005 Omslag started the Dutch Information Service on Different Ways of Housing and Living. Our service consists of an extended website and a library with books, magazines, DVDs. Besides a two-monthly printed magazine (ZOZ), we publish a free monthly electronic newsletter (in Dutch) and organise meetings on specific related subjects.

Purusha

Station 24 | 6063 NP Vlodrop

 +31-(0)475-539531  info@purusha.de, info@purusha.eu

 www.purusha.eu, www.purusha.de, www.purusha.org (USA)

The Maharishi Purusha Program is for single men practicing Transcendental Meditation (TM) and the TM-Sidhi® program who wish to dedicate themselves fully to the most rapid pace of evolution possible. Every aspect of this program has been carefully designed by Maharishi Mahesh Yogi for this purpose. There are groups of Purusha in the USA, in Holland, in Germany, in Ukraine, and in India.

This is a full-time program requiring a minimum commitment of one year.

Norway

Camphill landsbystiftelse i Norge

Camphill Villages in Norway | Reidar Jenssensgate 10 | 7550 Hommelvik

☎ +47-73-978460 ✉ landsbystiftelsen@camphill.no 🌐 www.camphill.no

We are Camphill communities where we live and work together with disabled adults. There are 6 Camphill villages in Norway. Please see our website for more information.

Portugal

Awakened Life Project

Conscious Evolution & Integral Ecology | Quinta da Mizarela | 3305-031 Benfeita

☎ +351-(0)966333187

✉ info@awakenedlifeproject.org 🌐 www.awakenedlifeproject.org

The Non-Profit "Awakened Life" Association in the mountains of Central Portugal is all that: retreat centre, 21st Century spiritual ashram, permaculture farm. It offers courses, events, retreats and internships to support the liberation of the human spirit in a context of evolutionary emergence and communion with the ecological web of life.

Haliotis

Zentrum für Ökologie und Gesundheit

Fitos, Caixa Postal 1044 | 7670-604 Santana da Serra

☎ +351-283-881020 ✉ bghaliotis@gmail.com 🌐 www.haliotis.net

We are a community based on family – "old" and new friends come during the holidays in order to find inner and outer peace, in order to share our healthy meals and the many child- and land-related tasks – to awaken it from its state of a sleeping oasis – and to breathe life into the Haliotis-vision of country life close to nature. Many groups and people are in contact with Haliotis and are active in our network and related networks. Further information can be found on our webpage and in the small book "Real Life Moments" ("Momente wahren Lebens") – see bibliography.

Institute for Global Peace Work (IGP) Tamera

Institut für globale Friedensarbeit (IGF) Tamera | Monte do Cerro | 7630 Colos

☎ +351-283-635-484 ✉ igf@tamera.org 🌐 www.tamera.org

The IGP is working to weave an international peace network to establish a global force for peace. The main aim is to develop a global cooperation for the establishment of Peace Research Villages in order to create alternatives for the global system of violence.

Slovakia

SOSNA, Center for Sustainable Alternatives

Okružná 17 | 044 31 Družstevná pri Hornáde www.sosna.sk

[+421-\(0\)911-951139](tel:+421-0911-951139), [-\(0\)55-6445124](tel:+421-055-6445124) omar.sosna@gmail.com

SOSNA association's main activities are focused on environmental education, counselling and promotion of sustainable solutions in practice. In autumn 2010 we opened the Eco Centre to the public. The Eco Centre is serving as a functional demonstration of clean, healthy, aesthetic, low-cost and low-energy buildings with a natural bio-garden. The whole complex of the Eco Centre and its bio-garden is serving for the visitors as an inspiring example of "how to do it this way", as well as the training and education facility for our activities (lectures, courses, exhibitions, etc.) on all sorts of topics relating to eco houses, bio gardens, alternative energy, sustainable living and self efficiency.

Spain

Cambium Permacultura en Formación

Sardenya 515, entlo 4ª | 08024 Barcelona

[+34-932848821](tel:+34-932848821) info@permacultura-es.org www.permacultura-es.org

Cambium is a website and an NGO for the dissemination of permaculture, especially among the Spanish speaking community worldwide.

Martinica

Alternative Culture Social Network

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[+34-9-18136202](tel:+34-9-18136202) admin@martinica.tk www.martinica.tk

Martinica is a social network involving individuals and groups engaged in activities related to alternative culture.

It arises from the need to care for and safeguard the common good, and also the need to meet and create a connection that allows us to maintain an ecosystem in which our way of working and supporting ourselves through our work will be possible and sustainable in the face of other management models.

Selba Vida Sostenibile

c/ Unica s/n | 22600 Artosilla, Huesca

infos@selba.org www.selba.org

Selba Vida Sostenibile is an association which aims to promote sustainable life styles.

Sweden

Emmaus Björkå

Ångpannegatan 6 | 41705 Göteborg

☎ +46-(0)31-233224 ✉ info@emmausbjorka.se 🌐 www.emmausbjorka.se

Emmaus Björkå started in 1965 as a community, but works now as a NGO with ordinary conditions of employment. Emmaus Björkå is run by members with a board governing the organization. Emmaus Björkå operates second hand stores in seven places in the South West of Sweden and the profit goes to organizations who have taken up the fight against oppression and poverty.

Stjärnsund - Center för permaculture

Permakultur Stjärnsund | Nedre Nybovägen 3 | 77071 Stjärnsund

☎ +46-(0)22580303 ✉ david@ihop.nu 🌐 stjarnsund.nu

The "Permaculture Project Stjärnsund" is about the creation of an educational centre for permaculture in Stjärnsund, Southern Dalarna. A number of projects are linked to the centre, the demonstration and experimental spaces for permaculture and forest gardens. You can find further information, a list of activities and other fascinating material on our website!

Switzerland

Bio Aktuell

Postfach | 5070 Frick ✉ redaktion@bioaktuell.ch 🌐 www.bioaktuell.ch

Magazine by Bio Suisse and Research Institute of Organic Agriculture for Swiss organic farmers.

COMMENDE - Kommunitäres Geld

c/o Alfred von Euw | Litten 717 | 9428 Lachen AR

☎ +41-(0)718880344 ✉ insula@bluewin.ch

We regard ourselves as a free, "anarchist" study and working group with the goals of developing an appropriate understanding of money and to explore ideational, economic and social conditions for the creation of a stable community, as well as the significance of work in the biography of humankind.

Doné - Ort der Begegnung

für Gemeinsames Wachsen | Doné | 6994 Aranno TI

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Willi Maurer has accompanied people through emotional and body work since 1984. From this arose knowledge which can make fundamental contributions to the avoidance of violence, addiction and self-destruction. Nicole Sordat is experienced in social therapy, sophrology, nursing and researches inter-generationally repetitive pain-inducing occurrences.

gemeinschaften.ch

✉ mr@kmuplus.ch 🌐 www.gemeinschaften.ch, www.kreative-beziehungen.ch
Swiss Website: Implement your vision. Turntable for community projects: Shared household or community? Town or countryside, buy or rent? Very communal, or preferably individual? Shared income or solidarity funds for hard times? Small families or open partnerships? There is a newsletter for people interested in community within a new culture of relationships.

HOLON

Netzwerk für integrale Entwicklung | 3003 Bern ☎ +41-(0)81-4137309
✉ info@holon-net.net 🌐 www.holon-net.net, www.integrale-politik.org
HOLON connects people and groups who strive for a more humane, solidary and ecologically sustainable society, who question material culture and the thinking behind growth and who wish to contribute to a more sustainable culture. HOLON takes a holistic view of humankind. Our summer conference as well as our congress for integral politics are tangible examples of the implementation of our thinking, where socio-political questions are addressed. The annual "Vernetzungswanderung" ("connection hike") offers a platform for bringing people together and is organised by a different set of people each time.

WWOOF Schweiz

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WWOOF is a worldwide movement linking volunteers with organic farmers and growers to promote cultural and educational experiences based on trust and non-monetary exchanges thereby helping to build a sustainable global community. WWOOF Switzerland publishes a farm list with over 90 Swiss addresses. Membership is 20 CHF or 20 EUR.

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TaTuTa is a lively communication network of city and rural connections and stands for agriculture, tourism and exchange (WWOOF Turkey).

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Active Distribution is a not for profit DIY distribution of “all things anarchist” and a few other radical things too!! We do mail-order, wholesale, and retail at events as well as publishing books, pamphlets, CDs, making badges, stickers and stuff. We do not have our own shop, yet!

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Bristol Community Land Trust acquires and develops land for its members. We promote the cause of self-organised and self-owned housing across Bristol and the surrounding region of South West England.

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Chapter 7 campaigns for “access to land for all households through environmentally sound planning” (from Agenda 21, Chapter 7c, on Human Habitation Settlement). We publish “The Land Magazine” at least twice a year and are part of the campaign organisation “The Land is Ours”.

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The Guide to Communal Living in Britain. The website contains an up-to-date directory of more than 80 existing and embryonic communities within the UK. We no longer publish a printed directory but instead produce occasional books of articles each with its own distinct theme (cohousing, low impact communities) as well as the historical volumes “Utopia Britannica” and “Communes Britannica”.

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Friends of the Earth (EWNI) (England, Wales and Northern Ireland) is one of 70 national groups around the world which make up the Friends of the Earth network of environmental organizations. FoE International counts almost 1 million supporters worldwide (see www.foei.org).

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Places to Be started as a printed publication but is now an online only directory of retreat houses, venues for hire and alternative holiday destinations - primarily in Europe but also in other continents. Many, but not all of these, have a strong communal living component although they may not be communities that one can actually live in permanently.

Resurgence & Ecologist

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Resurgence and Ecologist magazine is a bimonthly publication providing a platform for positive, informed and original perspectives on environmental issues, engaged activism, philosophy, the arts and ethical living.

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SGR is an independent UK-based membership organisation of about 1000 natural and social scientists, engineers, IT professionals and architects. We promote science, design and technology that contribute to peace, social justice, and environmental sustainability.

SGR's work is focused on four main issues: security and disarmament; climate change and energy, including nuclear power; who controls science and technology? and emerging technologies.

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Skyros, Europe's first ever course-based holiday centre, pioneered a holistic approach to life in tune with the classical Greek holistic understandings and it initiated new community structures which have been copied all over the world time and again. It was established by American psychologist Dr Dina Glouberman and Greek journalist Dr Yannis Andricopoulos.

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- Consultancy on straw bale projects and building regulations
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TFI is a Christian network of individuals united by a desire to make the world a better place. In 2010 TFI underwent a restructuring programme, resulting in a reinvention of the movement to allow for greater diversity. Today cooperative households, which played an important role in TFI history, are no longer a requirement for members and among the members in the UK there are no communities (anymore). Members communicate on-line.

UK Cohousing Network

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The UK Cohousing Network is the UK's umbrella organisation for established and forming cohousing groups. The website www.cohousing.org.uk/groups is a crucial resource to find established, new and developing cohousing groups in the UK.

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We are a study abroad organization that sends participants on programs in ecovillages and sustainable communities. We have US and international students who study with us. Check with your Study Abroad office to see if your University will accept the transfer of credits.

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Project Nuevo Mundo is a platform that connects people and project centers, encouraging resource sharing on the web and on the ground to catalyze planetary regeneration and individual transformation.

Bibliography

Here we list English language books and some films that (we think) touch subjects important to communal living, that help with the tasks of founding (and caring for) communities and/or that have been written by people living in communities.

Many of these books aren't available in bookstores anymore - you might find them second hand, though. Please let us know if you know and find books that could complete this list!

DIRECTORIES OF COMMUNITIES & ECOVILLAGES

- **Anders Wonen, Anders Leven** Directory with descriptions of communities, co-housing schemes and other examples for alternative ways of living in the Netherlands. ISBN 90-807853-1-8, available at www.omslag.nl/wonen
- **Anglican Religious Life 2014-15** Now in its 9th edition, this is an international directory of religious communities in the Anglican Communion. ISBN 9781848254640, available at Church House Bookshop: www.chbookshop.co.uk
- **Communities Directory: A guide to Cooperative Living.** Including up-to-date information about intentional communities in North America and from around the world; also many articles about the basics of intentional community. Published by Fellowship for Intentional Community. ISBN 978-0-9718264-5-8, available at www.store.ic.org
- **Comuni, Comunità, Ecovillaggi** Italian communities directory. ISBN 978-0956562005

COMMUNITIES & ECOVILLAGES TODAY AND IN HISTORY

- Bang, Jan Martin: **Ecovillages.** A Practical Guide to Sustainable Communities, ISBN: 978-0865715387
- Christian, Diana Leafe: **Finding Community: How to Join an Ecovillage or Intentional Community.** ISBN 978-0865715783
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- Findhorn: Dorothy MacLean, **To Hear the Angels Sing**, Lorian Press (2008), ISBN 978-0936878010
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- Sieben Linden Ecovillage: Würfel, Michael: **Life Under Palm Trees (Leben unter Palmen)**, DVD, 59 min, available at www.eurotopia.de
- Open Sky House: Premananda: **The Great Misunderstanding**, DVD, 67 min, ISBN 978-0-9570886-8-9, available at www.openskypress.com

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- in the chapter "Useful Addresses".

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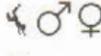
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A	Austria	LT	Lithuania
B	Belgium	LV	Latvia
BH	Bosnia and Herzegovina	MAZ	Macedonia
BRS	Belarus	MOL	Moldova
CH	Switzerland	N	Norway
COL	Colombia	NL	Netherlands
CZ	Czech Republic	P	Portugal
D	Germany	PL	Poland
DK	Denmark	RO	Romania
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F	France	SEN	Senegal
GR	Greece	SF	Finland
H	Hungary	SK	Slovakia
KAS	Kazakhstan	SLO	Slovenia
HR	Croatia	TR	Turkey
J	Japan	UE	Ukraine
I	Italy	UK	United Kingdom
IL	Israel	USA	USA
IRL	Ireland	WWW	<i>Internet</i>
IS	Iceland	ZP	Cyprus

Abbreviations (selection):

CB	Community Building
GA	General Assembly
NVC	Non-violent communication
NGO	Non-governmental Organisation

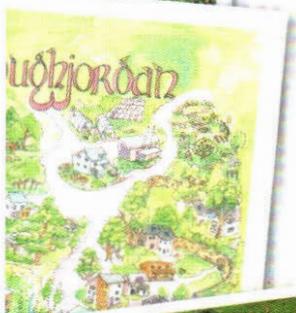
Legend

	planned community
	co-housing-project
	settlement
	ecovillage (self-assessment)
	phone number, email address, website
	founding year
	located in a city/in a suburb or small town/in the countryside (behind: size of the premises, if applicable) behind, in brackets: name of the nearest bigger town
	number of children, women and men
	total number of all members (we just went along with any mismatches between this and the previous values)
	degree of self-sufficiency with food
	spoken languages in the community (usually plus local language) g=German, e=English, f=French, i=Italian, sp=Spanish
	how many are working within the community (on location, usually present daily)?
	how many work in community-owned businesses?
	who decides on important issues (in brackets: how)?
	mode of financing
	owner (premises, buildings)
	ideological/spiritual orientation
	main fields of action
	keywords
	open for new members - behind: conditions for membership
	volunteers welcome after prior agreement (free food and lodging)
	in brackets: not necessarily with „free food and lodging“
	are part of the network(s) listed behind
	(in the index) not a community anymore (to our knowledge)
	coordinate on the respective map (Germany and UK only)

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