

## BRAHMA KUMARIS – PACHAMAMA ALLIANCE PARTNERSHIP

### Awakening Together Update

(January – August 2012)

As the partnership between the Pachamama Alliance and the Brahma Kumaris continues to strengthen, we are excited to share with you some of the great news and happenings around the world. Earlier this year we launched this beautiful partnership and created the Awakening the Dreamer Workshop (specifically designed for the Brahma Kumaris). The workshop materials are available on the Pachamama [website](#) and this report is based on the number of downloads and presentations that have happened between January and August of 2012.

#### METRICS:

We are delighted to see the fruits of our partnership. Take a look at the progress we are making in awakening and inspiring more people around the world.

- Workshop Downloads:

April	May	June	July	August
11	9	14	23	20

- Workshop Presentations:

The number of material downloads is reflected in the increasing number of workshops that are being presented around the world. The workshop has been presented in **12 countries**: Austria, Germany, Guatemala, Denmark, Hungary, India, Italy, Netherlands, Philippines, Switzerland, United States and Zambia.

February	March	April	May	June	July	August
India	Netherlands Switzerland	Denmark	None	Germany Netherlands Philippines	Germany Italy Switzerland United States	Austria Guatemala Hungary Zambia

#### INSPIRING STORIES:

Once a workshop has been presented, we often receive a report from the amazing presenters conducting the workshop. Here are some of the stories:



ATD Workshop in Guatemala: “The workshop went very well” reported Sister Elizabeth Padilla after presenting her second workshop and her first one outside of the USA. The workshop was held in August and we are pleased to learn that all ages were

represented in this event. This was the first workshop held in Latin America and we surely look forward to the ones to come!



ATD Workshop in Zambia: Held in Lusaka and presented by Sister Pratibha from India, this workshop had an environmental focus. Participants spent time in groups answering the key questions of *How did we get here? What is possible now?*, and *Where do we go from here?* As the groups reconvened, the enthusiasm led participants to decide to carry out a follow-up workshop in the near future to create and implement action plans on individual, family and group levels. We look forward to reporting back to you about the next event to be organized by the eager participants in Lusaka!

Members of the BK community are not only taking the workshop to new venues around the world but are linking up with the pacha-community in places as widespread as Tasmania, Scotland and Tokyo; all of which is contributing to our shared vision of a new sustainable, just and fulfilling future.

#### WHAT'S HAPPENING TODAY:

- Other languages: The Workshop hasn't yet been translated into other languages; however, we know that some translations are in progress (Japanese, Spanish, Dutch, German, Hungarian, Polish and Chinese).
- Fixing the bugs: We have heard some feedback around the accessibility of the workshop materials. It is clear to us that not all countries can easily download the information, and to address that issue we are contemplating the idea of shipping out the ATD Workshop on USB Drives to the main BK Centers around the world. Should we do that, we hope that smaller centers can request a copy from their main center. Please do let us know if you find this strategy helpful by emailing us to [maisa@pachamama.org](mailto:maisa@pachamama.org).

#### INTO THE FUTURE:

- Jon Symes and Arnold Beekes will continue to spearhead the partnership and aim to keep you updated about the fruits of this collaboration. From now on we will be sending these updates regularly so that you, our partners, can see what's evolving. We hope that you find these updates as useful as we do.

We would also love to hear your ideas and feedback! Please email your comments to Maisa Arias, [maisa@pachamama.org](mailto:maisa@pachamama.org).