Brahma Kumaris Environment Initiative



Dear BK Greens

Many peaceful greetings to all of you. Here is a wonderful mix of news about a solar award, yoga in the fields, mother earth day, nature funk from Brazil and the UN's environment assembly in Nairobi. Enjoy!



Breaking News: CST & Solar Cooker Excellence Award 2016 for Brahma Kumaris and World Renewal Spiritual Trust, handed over by Sri Piyush Goyal, Minister of Power, Coal & Renewable Energies (NRE) in Dehli 29.4.2016. Congratulations to the team. Read more and see pictures

Nairobi, Kenya: The UN Environment Assembly will convene 23-27th May 2016 at UNEPs headquarters in Nairobio. The UN Environment Programme (UNEP) represents the highest level of governance of international environmental affairs in the UN system. The Brahma Kumaris will be part of a side event "Exploring the contribution of faith communities in delivering the Sustainable Development Goals", plus many other programs. Read more





Wanted: ChangeMaker Explorers - We have a new workshop to pilot - "ChangeMaker Hub - for the ChangeMaker in all of us". It has 3 main parts - Session 1. Optimism in Headwind - maintaining optimism and dealing with resistance, Session 2 - The Creative Headspace, Session 3: Tuned-In-Thinking.

We are looking for 5-10 people who would like to experiment the process on themselves

Are you curious and like to test your ChangeMaker qualities? Write to us.

<u>W-E Digest publishes article</u> "Yoga, Meditation and Empowerment in the Fields" written by Piero and Tamasin.



Mother Earth Day celebrated in Geneva, Switzerland: "NGO solutions for a better world" with Sonja and Valeriane



From Malaysia. Article in New Sunday Times, interview with Golo: "A spiritual Approach to tackle Global Warming"

New material in our Spanish section.

Like to move to some Brazilian funk?

Invitation from Ana Christina Dias in Rio: It's a very good <u>short video</u> with famous singer here Caetano Veloso, that lived many years ago in London because politics needs, it has some funk. Its narrated by the famous Brazilian model Gisele Bundchen that lives in the US.

Eco-conversations',

Again we would like to invite the centres to hold '**Eco-conversations**', where the students can have dialogues about:

- The need for sustainable practices in the centres
- The link between sustainable practices (related to food, water, energy, waste, other) and our virtues and values
- What we are doing now and
- What we would like to change and when

Through these 'Eco-conversations' we do hope to increase both the awareness and the ownership for sustainable practices in the centres.

Econversations	Non-violence	Empathy	Simplicity
Food	What are we doing now? What would we like to change?		
Water			
Energy			
Waste			
Other			

Please do share your results with us, ultimately by July 2016. It would be great if our 'Green Angels' (those of you who are members of the Green Network) could be the facilitators!

Remember our Facebook page!



"Why try to fit it when you were born to stand out" - Dr. Seuss

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