

Dear BK Green Community

Welcome to green news March 2021 for the worldwide BK community. It is now exactly 10 years since the first green newsletter for BKs. Our mailing list has grown to include more than 700 subscribers. It is with appreciation and gratitude that I look back on the intense journey of increasing the environmental awareness in our community. A journey we have done together with openness, willingness to learn and to serve.



It is also with great joy we can share information about another green newsletter that has just been issued. Brahma Kumaris Eco News for our contacts and friends. You can read more about it below.

Behind the constant pandemic news, the effects of climate change are accelerating significantly. You can find links to gripping articles further down in the newsletter, sent by engaged BKs.

Whatever the new normal in the Confluence Age will be, it will include stronger human connections which we can fill with kindness and meaning

Happy reading and best of all

Sonja



BK Eco News for Contacts

The Brahma Kumaris Environment Initiative has just launched BK Eco News. Sister Jayanti writes the editorial and the theme in this first edition is Interfaith. You can see the [first edition on this link](#)

It will be issued 3 times per year. We hope you find this new opportunity useful. You are welcome to send the newsletter to your environment interested contacts in your country. One can subscribe to it at the bottom of the newsletter or on the [webpage](#). Next edition will be around May; the theme will be our energy futures and Golo will be writing the editorial.

Documentation of activities

Documentation of Brahma Kumaris Environment Initiative [UN related environment service from 2014-2020](#) has been created as a reference and inspiration.

Theme –Valuing Water



UN World Water Day 22 March – Valuing Water [Read more](#) about World Water Year – 2021

Water as a unifying and essential foundation for restoring personal, collective and ecological health as described in "A year of radical healing" by [Codes for a Healthy Earth](#) -

From Bettina: Water Stewardship – [A personal story of love for water](#) – a quote from the article *"There are no unsacred places, there are only sacred places and desecrated places."* *Wendell Berry*



BK Youth Climate Network event on the element on water: an experiential session with meditation, reflective writing and small groups exploring:

- What is my relationship to the element of water? Seeing it now and also in the perspective of the cycle.
- How and where does water show up in my life?
- What is the value of water in my life and in general?
- What is the role/part of water?
- What qualities does water mirror in myself?
- What can I learn from the element of water?
- Let your imagination wander over the world - what do you see, hear or feel from the element of water?
- What does water have to say to me?
- What message do I have for water?



Video links

New [meditation video](#) to accompany the ChangeMaker Workshop by Sister Rose in Glasgow

[The Dalai Lama and Greta Thunberg](#) in conversation with leading scientists on the crisis of climate feedback loops.

Recommended event

Stop the Plastic Tide - How to Solve the Plastic Problem
WASUP in collaboration with Sylvia and Leicester BK center.
Thursday 4th March at 3 pm CET. [Register and info](#)



Recommended links

During lock-down there has been more time for reading. So here is a rich source of inspiring articles sent by our BK green network.

From Wendy, [Warmer Cheaper from New Zealand](#), an example of the way to encourage new environmental habits without shaming people and making them feel bad, it is optimistic

From Arnold: State found guilty of '[non-respect of its engagements](#)' aimed at fighting global warming

From Sandra: Underestimating the Challenges of Avoiding a Ghastly Future – [End of life as we know](#)

From Golo: Falling victim to doomism - The author and eminent climate scientist on the [deniers' new tactics and why positive change](#) feels closer than it has done in 20 years.

The Pope's adviser says Covid has highlighted '[existential](#)' climate risk -

Next issue:

Theme Trees for Tree lovers

News from Conference of Youth for the Climate
in Australia and Dubai

Seeing the SDG's through the lens of value webinar

Awareness and Commitment for Restoring Nature Webinar

Peaceful Greetings
Brahma Kumaris Eco
and your newsletter editors



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