You are cordially invited to the
4th weltwärts Partner Conference in Nagpur for Asia
from 19th to 22nd February 2019

Dear weltwärts Sending Organisations,
Dear weltwärts Partner Organisations in Asia,

on behalf of the German Ministry of Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ), the Programme Steering Committee (in which the BMZ and the representatives of the Sending Organisations are represented) as well as on behalf of our Cooperation Partners volunta gGmbH (Frankfurt), Internationaler Bund Südwest gGmbH (Kassel) and bezev e. V. (Essen) and our Indian Partners Ecumenical Sangam (Nagpur) and Dream School Foundation (Bangalore) we are happy to invite you to the

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The Partner Conferences which encompasses all Sending Organisations pursue two aims:

1. To take the perspective of the partner organisations in the Global South more into consideration.
2. To strengthen the dialogue amongst all partners, that is the BMZ, weltwärts office and Sending Organisations (SO) on the one hand and the Partner Organisations (PO) on the other hand regarding the overall questions of the programme development; and enhance the networking amongst the Partner Organisations (South-South Networking) of various Sending Organisations, thus strengthening the civil society locally.

Your participation will enable you to involve yourself even deeper into the shaping of this programme which certainly is one of a kind in the world. There will be space to exchange views and experiences with other POs from India, China, Thailand, Vietnam, The Philippines, Indonesia, Cambodia, East-Timor, Sri Lanka and Laos, with German Partners and official guests from the weltwärts programme in Germany (PSC) and hopefully representatives of the German Missions in India.

With the financial support of the

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In order to be part of the programme we kindly request you to fill the attached form and send it back by e-mail either to your German SO whom we kindly request to forward the same to us and/or directly to us under wwwPC2019@diz-ev.de as soon as possible. Since the capacity is limited we will try to honour your registration on the basis of regional representation and “first come - first serve” basis. Kindly bear with us, that we will be able to accept one representative per Partner only.

Eligibility: All weltwärts POs and those staff members actively involved in weltwärts activities (e. g. mentors, induction trainers, relevant PO staff) are invited. That means, the person who participates in the Conference should be a practitioner being able to relate about her/his experiences with the weltwärts programme, volunteers and sending organisations from Germany. Due to the restricted number of seats, we also encourage you to send one person who is able to represent several other POs in your vicinity.

Costs of food and lodging, the conference participation costs as well as transportation to the conference by 2nd AC/3-tier sleeper class train (in India) or economy class flight in case you come from a distant place are covered (normally air bookings will be made on request directly by us, kindly contact us under wwwPC2019@diz-ev.de). Upon presentation of the train ticket at the conference desk in Nagpur with our Indian Partner, the Ecumenical Sangam, you will be reimbursed with the travel costs for the train bookings. Further information will be provided to you later on.

Kindly make sure, that you arrive in Nagpur on Monday 18th February! Depending on your return journey, a room will be kept for you until the 23rd February morning.

If you are interested in joining the weltwärts Partner Conference 2019, kindly fill the attached application form and send it back to your SO in Germany and/or to us directly until the 30th November 2018 to enable a speedy and smooth processing of your participation and bookings. We will process the confirmation of your participation shortly thereafter so that travel bookings can be made. You will get further details of the conference after registration from our Indian Partner in Nagpur.

The conference language will be English. Your representative should be fluent in English.

We are looking forward to your participation and welcome your applications!

Thanking you in advance with kind regards,

Dr. Jona Aravind Dohrmann
(for Deutsch-Indische Zusammenarbeit e. V.,
Convenor of the weltwärts Partner Conference in India)
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