

Bonn, 25 August 2020

Dear representatives of the implementing organisations and returnee associations,

We are writing to invite you to submit an **expression of interest concerning the implementation of a cross-organisation partner conference between October 2021 and April 2022**.

On behalf of the Programme Steering Committee (PSC), we would particularly like to invite **expressions of interest for partner conferences in Central and Eastern Asia, Central America and Eastern Africa** since only a few partner conferences have taken place in these regions to date. Expressions of interest for these regions will be given preference in the selection process. You are, of course, free to submit expressions of interest for other countries/regions.

34 cross-organisation partner conferences have been implemented for weltwärts since 2012. The conferences are managed by at least two organisations – at least one partner organisation in the conference country and one German-based organisation – and receive 100 % funding as a weltwärts accompanying measure for the programme. The conference-managing organisations suggest when and where the conference should be held but the chosen dates should enable German implementing organisations to combine participation in the conference with attendance of mid-term seminars and/or partner visits, as far as possible.

We have attached information and documents for those wishing to submit an expression of interest. They are all supplied in German, English, French and Spanish to facilitate consultation with your partner organisations.

1. Page 2 of this document contains the **expression of interest form**.
2. On page 3 you will find a **list of cross-organisation partner conferences** implemented for weltwärts since 2012, including the partner conferences already planned for spring 2021.
3. The objectives and implementing conditions can be found in the “**Implementation framework for weltwärts cross-organisation partner conferences**” on our website (<https://www.weltwaerts.de/en/document-centre-organisations.html>).

Please return the completed expression of interest form to the weltwärts Coordination Unit [sekretariat@weltwaerts.de](mailto:sekretariat@weltwaerts.de) **by 18 September 2020.**

Please note that (smaller) partner meetings between individual German-based organisations and their partners remain a focus of the funding for accompanying measures and that this funding can be applied for in collaboration with other stakeholders by the usual deadlines irrespective of involvement in cross-organisation partner conferences. For more details, see <https://www.weltwaerts.de/en/developing-measures-to-accompany-the-programme-organisation.html>.

If you have any questions, please contact Natalie Tawamba Tessa at the weltwärts Coordination Unit: Email: natalie.tawambatessa@engagement-global.de, tel. +49 (0)228 20717114, or the PSC representative for your shared interest group.

Regards,

The weltwärts Coordination Unit team

**Expression of interest concerning the implementation of a cross-organisation partner conference between autumn 2021 and spring 2022**

1. **Conference-managing organisations**

**Name and SO number of the German-based weltwärts organisation/returnee association:**

**Contact in case of queries (name, telephone number, email):**

**Name of conference-managing partner(s) in the Global South** (if already known):  
Partner conferences are implemented jointly with one or more partner organisations from the country in which the conference is to be held. Which partner organisations would you like to plan and implement the conference with? Have you involved them in the completion of this expression of interest?

Do you plan to implement the conference in cooperation with **other German host organisations or returnee associations?** If so: which one(s)?

1. **Country/region**

**Please specify the country or region in which you would like to implement a cross-organisation partner conference** (including the planned location if already known):

**From which countries** would you invite delegates to your partner conference?

1. **Dates**

**When and for how long would you like to implement a cross-organisation partner conference?**

1. **Experience**

**What experience does your organisation and/or do the partner organisations you wish to implement the partner conference with have in implementing multi-day events of a similar scale to a cross-organisation partner conference?**

1. **Miscellaneous**

**Would you like to add anything to your expression of interest?**

## List of previous partner conferences[[1]](#footnote-1)

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| **No.** | **Year** | **Period** | **Country** | **German-based conference-managing organisation** | **Number of parti-cipants** | **Participants’ countries of origin** | **Region** |
| **1** | **2012** | 1-4 Oct | Argentina | Ev.-luth. Missionswerk in Niedersachsen (ELM) | 54 | Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Paraguay, Uruguay | South America |
| **2** | **2012** | 1-4 Oct | India | Deutsch-Indische Zusammenarbeit e. V. | 67 | India, Nepal | Asia |
| **3** | **2012** | 29 Oct – 2 Nov | Nicaragua | NicaNetz – Freiwilligen-Netzwerk Nicaragua e.V. | 44 | Mexico, Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, Nicaragua, Panama | Central America |
| **4** | **2012** | 3 Nov – 7 Dec | India | ICJA e.V., Karl Kübel Stiftung | 33 | India, Bangladesh | Asia |
| **5** | **2012** | 11 Oct – 15 Nov | Bolivia | Deutsches Rotes Kreuz in Hessen Volunta gGmbH | 56 | Bolivia, Peru, Ecuador, Colombia | South America (Andean countries) |
| **6** | **2012** | 12-16 Nov | Ghana | ICJA e.V., Freundeskreis Afrika e.V. | 48 | Ghana, Togo, Benin | Western Africa |
| **7** | **2012** | 14-17 Nov | South Africa | South African German Network e.V. | 80 | South Africa, Namibia, Botswana, Lesotho, Kingdom of Eswatini | Southern Africa |
| **8** | **2012** | 15-18 Nov | The Philippines | AFS Interkulturelle Begegnungen e.V. | 59 | Cambodia, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, Philippines, Thailand, Vietnam | Asia |
| **9** | **2012** | 10-14 Dec | Tanzania | VIA e.V., Deutsch-Tansanische Partnerschaft e.V., artefact gGmbH | 81 | Zambia, Uganda, Tanzania, Rwanda, Mozambique, Malawi, Kenya | Eastern Africa |
| **10** | **2014** | 6-11 Oct | Costa Rica | Mission EineWelt | 49 | Costa Rica, Nicaragua, Panama, Mexico, Dominican Republic | Central America |
| **11** | **2014** | 20-23 Oct | Argentina | Ev.-luth. Missionswerk in Niedersachsen (ELM) | 40 | Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Paraguay, Uruguay | South America |
| **12** | **2014** | 3-7 Nov | India | Deutsch-Indische Zusammenarbeit e.V. | 72 | India | Asia |
| **13** | **2014** | 12-15 Nov | South Africa | South African German Network e.V. | 57 | Mozambique, Namibia, Botswana, South Africa | Southern Africa |
| **14** | **2014** | 3-8 Dec. | Rwanda | SoFiA e.V. - Soziale Friedensdienste im Ausland | 60 | Rwanda, Tanzania, Uganda, Kenya | Eastern Africa |
| **15** | **2014** | 5-9 Dec | Bolivia | Bolivianisches Kinderhilfswerk e.V. | 87 | Bolivia, Ecuador, Peru | South America (Andean countries) |
| **16** | **2015** | 26-30 Jan | Colombia | Freiwilligendienste im BFP /Schule fürs Leben | 70 | Ecuador, Peru, Colombia | South America (Andean countries) |
| **17** | **2015** | 1-4 June | Cameroon | Brot für die Welt | 44 | Cameroon, Ghana, Togo | Western Africa |
| **18** | **2015** | 24-28 Nov | India | AFS Interkulturelle Begegnungen e.V. | 68 | China, Thailand, Bangladesh, India, Malaysia, Philippines | Asia |
| **19** | **2016** | 13-16 April | South Africa | South African German Network e.V. | 70 | South Africa, Botswana, Lesotho, Mozambique, Namibia | Southern Africa |
| **20** | **2016** | 9-14 May | Germany | ICJA Freiwilligenaustausch weltweit e.V. | 57 | Worldwide | Worldwide |
| **21** | **2016** | 10-13 Oct | Bolivia | Deutsches Rotes Kreuz in Hessen Volunta gGmbH | 57 | Bolivia, Ecuador, Colombia, Peru | South America (Andean countries) |
| **22** | **2016** | 26-30 Oct | Cambodia | Vereinigung Junger Freiwilliger e.V. | 40 | Cambodia, Laos, Thailand, Vietnam | Asia |
| **23** | **2016** | 12-16 Dec | Ghana | DRK Soziale Freiwilligendienste Mecklenburg-Vorpommern | 57 | Ghana, Cameroon, Togo, Benin | Western Africa |
| **24** | **2017** | 20-23 April | Kenya | Children's Hope Home e.V. | 65 | Kenya, Tanzania, Rwanda, Uganda | Eastern Africa |
| **25** | **2017** | 24-28 April | Chile | Mission EineWelt | 51 | Chile, Argentina, Paraguay, Uruguay | South America |
| **26** | **2017** | 18-21 Sept | India | Deutsch-Indische Zusammenarbeit e.V. | 63 | India, Cambodia, China, Thailand, Philippines | Asia |
| **27** | **2017** | 10-14 Oct | Georgia | Ev. Werk für Diakonie und Entwicklung e.V. (Brot für die Welt) | 43 | Georgia, Armenia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Moldova, Tadzhikistan, Ukraine | Central Asia |
| **28** | **2018** | 14-18 May | Colombia | Deutsches Rotes Kreuz in Hessen Volunta gGmbH | 50 | Colombia, Bolivia, Ecuador, Peru | South America (Andean countries) |
| **29** | **2018** | 9-13 Sept | Germany | South African German Network e.V. | 75 | Worldwide | Worldwide |
| **30** | **2018** | 21-25 Oct | Togo | VIA e.V., Freundeskreis Afrika e.V. | 42 | Benin, Ghana, Togo, Ivory Coast, Cameroon, Senegal | Western Africa |
| **31** | **2018** | 4-9 Nov | Mexico | Internationaler Bund e.V. – VAP Franken | 48 | Costa Rica, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Dominican Republic | Central America |
| **32** | **2018** | 27 Nov – 1 Dec | Malawi | fid-Netzwerk internationalQM | 45 | Botswana, Malawi, Zambia, Mozambique, Namibia | Southern Africa |
| **33** | **2019** | 19-22 Feb | India | Deutsch-Indische Zusammenarbeit e.V. | 77 | China, India, Indonesia, Vietnam, Cambodia, Laos, East-Timor, Sri-Lanka, Philippines, Thailand | Asia |
| **34** | **2019** | 7-11 Oct | Botswana | Eine Welt Netz NRW |  | Botswana, Lesotho, Malawi, Mozambique, Namibia, Zambia, South Africa | Southern Africa |
|  | **2020** | March | Uruguay[[2]](#footnote-2) | Ev.-luth. Missionswerk in Niedersachsen | - | Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Paraguay, Uruguay | South America |
|  | **2020** | June | Germany[[3]](#footnote-3) | IB Südwest | - | Worldwide | Worldwide |
| **35** | **2021** | March | Peru | Deutsches Rotes Kreuz in Hessen Volunta gGmbH |  | Peru, Bolivia, Ecuador, Colombia | South America |
| **36** | **2021** | April | Bosnia-Herzego-vina | Initiative Christen für Europa e.V. |  | Albania, Belarus, Georgia, Kosovo, Moldova, North Macedonia, Serbia, Ukraine | Eastern Europe |
| **37** | **2021** | June | Germany | Vereinigung Junger Freiwilliger e.V. |  | Worldwide | Worldwide |

1. This list can be sorted by any criteria you please. To do so, click on the table so that “Table tools” appears in the menu bar and then on “Layout” followed by “Sort”. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. Cancelled due to the Covid-19 pandemic [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
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