

Reflections

To create a Stop-War protest in the current, tense climate would be relatively easy... but an 'against' movement which polarizes cannot itself offer peaceful resolution. On the other hand, the turning of a blind eye, while offering relief and relaxation, is the kind of denial, silent obedience and complicity that enabled the horrors of national socialism in the 1930's, eventually Hiroshima and Nagasaki in Japan, and continues with what we are witnessing in Gaza, Ukraine and 170 warzones today. A third way, Gandhian non-violence was courageous and worked to an impressive degree but we see, also had its limitations. In short, none of the strategies we think to already know, none of our current institutions established with global mandates, are likely on their own to lead us out of our current global dilemmas. ...And yet, on a smaller level many of us have been experimenting in our networks, communities and businesses with the spores of collective approaches radically beyond these and new.

The challenge we set ourselves and invite with this Summit of Summits initiative is to explore together the creation of an 'attractor' which is strong enough to finally pull humanity as a whole away from fear, conflict and warheads, to love, peace and the prosperity for all, which everyone longs for. None of us can pretend to know how to do this, or it would already be happening; but since we can imagine it, ...it should be possible. The first Summit of Summit Gathering in Japan is the initiating event and in-person convivium, for leaders with established followings who are open to heed this call.

Concretely

This first International Summit of Summits will take place from the evening of 25th till lunch on 28th September 2024, in Japan, - and also be integrated as part of a 9-day bespoke optional tour of local Japanese tradition and culture for those from overseas. Participation of this founding first Summit will be limited to 60 persons but this is envisioned as the start of a long-term project which will eventually draw together large numbers in energetic communion. The subtitle of this first event, maybe also the following ones is: "Creating Lasting Peace and Prosperity".

For people from overseas the optional 9 day tour including the Summit of Summits will be prepared and offered not so much as a normal 'tourist trip', more an immersion into original and contemporary Japanese tradition and culture.

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