

# Green Pilgrimage Network Meeting

## Faithful Pilgrims



**Green Pilgrimage Network**

**Trondheim, Norway, July 26 – 28, 2013**

## TIMETABLE AND AGENDA



*Please be aware that the dates of this meeting fall within Ramadan and that could affect the time our Muslim guests will dine. Prayer times will be at 12.30 and 15.45 every day.*

## THURSDAY 25 JULY

- Arrivals
- Optional guided tour of Nidaros Cathedral. Meet up at conference registration desk at 15.30 if interested.
- 19.00–21.00: Informal gathering at Nidaros Pilgrim Centre, with soup served throughout the evening.

## FRIDAY 26 JULY

All sessions, unless otherwise indicated, are in the Conference Room, Rica Nidelven Hotel

### 09.00–09.40: Orientations

- **Orientation:** *Martin Palmer*, Secretary General, ARC, and *Rev Berit Lånke*, Director, National Pilgrim Centre
- **Trondheim as a green city:** *Mayor Rita Ottervik*
- **Introducing the Live Green Map:** *Wendy Brawer*, Founder, Green Maps
- **Introduction to Trondheim Excursions:** *Simon Loveland*, Trondheim Municipality, and Trondheim guides

### 09.40–12.30: Excursions to show Trondheim as a Green City

Trondheim prides itself on being a city and a community that takes seriously the idea of “walking gently upon the earth”. The following guided walks offer a fascinating opportunity to see what that means in practice.

- Green transport
- Green city environment
- Biodiversity and Climate Adaption
- Green Energy Saving and Environmental Certification
- Trondheim’s Children’s Green City

### 12.30–13.45: Lunch, Rica Nidelven Hotel restaurant, hosted by the National Pilgrim Centre

### 14.00–15.30: Welcome and Opening Session

Introduced by *Martin Palmer*

- Opening Reflection: *Rev Jens-Petter Johnsen*, Director General, Church Council, Church of Norway
  - **Welcome** – from the National Pilgrim Centre and ARC: *Rev Berit Lånke*, National Pilgrim Centre and *Alison Hilliard*, Deputy Secretary General, ARC
  - **Council of Europe:** *Thorbjørn Jagland*, Secretary General, Council of Europe
  - **Pilgrims’ Progress** – A roundup of how founder members have taken green action since Assisi: *Alison Hilliard*, ARC
  - **The Confucius Ecology Declaration** *Professor Tu Weiming*, President of the International Confucius Ecological Alliance (ICEA) and Director of the Institute for Advanced Humanistic Studies at Peking University
  - **Green Shoots:** Who are the 16 new GPN members? Welcome, certificates and photographs: *Alison Hilliard*, ARC
  - **Launch of the swift pilgrims initiative:** a symbol for green pilgrims everywhere: *Professor Chris Baines*, leading environmentalist and broadcaster
- Closing Reflection: *Master Zhu Shizhong*, Daoist Master

15.30–16.00: Break

16.00–17.30: Session One: Green Faith

Chaired by *Rev Berit Lånke* and *Martin Palmer*

- Opening Reflection: *Dr Nanditha Krishna*, Director, The CP Ramaswami Aiyar Foundation
  - **The inner and the outer journey of pilgrimage:** *Bishop Martin Lind*, Church of Sweden
  - **Being a Faithful Green Pilgrim:** *Dr Husna Ahmad*, OBE, author of "Green Guide for Hajj"
  - **Why Green Pilgrimage is a vital part of Hindu Practice:** *Dr Nanditha Krishna*, Director of the CP Ramaswami Aiyar Foundation
  - Panel discussion followed by general discussion
- Closing Reflection: *Bishop Martin Lind*

17.45–19.15: Opening Celebration including a walking procession to Nidaros Cathedral

Please see separate programme

19.30: Formal dinner, Herresalen at the Archbishop's Palace, hosted by Mayor Rita Ottervik

- Grace by *The Very Rev Ragnhild Jepsen*, Dean of the Diocese of Nidaros
- Cultural performance by *Trondheimssolistene*
- Welcome to Trondheim by *Mayor Rita Ottervik*

## SATURDAY 27 JULY

All sessions, unless otherwise indicated, are in the Conference Room, Rica Nidelven Hotel

### 09.00-10.30: Session Two: Greening Festivals and Large Events

Sharing experiences: successes, problems and questions

Chaired by *Rev Berit Lånke* and *Martin Palmer*

- Opening Reflection: *Bishop Hovakim Manukyan*, The Armenian Orthodox Church
  - **Greening the St Olav festival:** *Randi Wenche Haugen*, Director, St Olav Festival, Trondheim
  - **Greening the Ratha-yatra chariot festival:** *Dr Arvind Padhee*, Administrative head of Jagannath temple, Puri, India
  - **Greening the Maukib Pilgrimage:** *Yassin Garba Maisikeli*, Qadiriyyah Movement, Nigeria
  - Panel discussion including Church of Norway guidelines on greening events, followed by general discussion
- Closing Reflection: *Gopal Patel*, director of Bhumi Project

### 10.30–11.00: Break

### 11.00–12.30: Session Three: Greening Food

Sharing experiences: successes, problems and questions

Chaired by *Rev Berit Lånke* and *Martin Palmer*

- Opening Reflection: *Bishop Munib Younan*, President of the Lutheran World Federation and Evangelical Lutheran Church Bishop of Palestine and Jordan in the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Jordan and the Holy Land
  - **Greening traditional food** – a film and introduction: *Dr Karen Nazaryan*, Director of Armenia Inter-Church Round Table Foundation, Armenian Orthodox Church
  - **Green food, green power and green celebrations by Sikhs:** *Ravneet Singh*, EcoSikh Project Manager, India
  - Panel discussion followed by general discussion
- Closing Reflection: *Rev Joanna Anderson*, Iona Community, Scotland

### 12.30–14.00: Lunch, Rica Nidelven Hotel restaurant, hosted by Bishop Tor Singaas

### 14.00–16.00: Session Four: Tools for greening pilgrimage places

Chaired by *Rev Berit Lånke* and *Martin Palmer*

- Opening Reflection: *Rev Canon Caroline Pinchbeck*, Diocese of Canterbury, Church of England
  - **The Green Passport Experience:** raising awareness among tourists and pilgrims: *Helena Rey*, tourism and environment programme officer, UNEP
  - **Greening Urban Spaces:** *Nerys Jones* and *Prof Chris Baines*
  - **Partnerships to advance green pilgrimage** – working with local environmental and governmental organisations: *Emani Kumar*, Deputy Secretary General ICLEI Worldwide and Executive Director ICLEI South Asia
  - **Live Maps of Trondheim and GPN** – an update: *Wendy Brawer*
  - Panel discussion followed by general discussion
- Closing Reflection: *Prof Tu Weiming*, President of ICEA

16.00–16.30: Break

16.30–18.30: Session Five: Green Pilgrimage promoting understanding and dialogue

Case studies from the Middle East, chaired by *Martin Palmer* and *Rev Berit Lânke*

- Opening Reflection: *Rev Canon Peter Doll*, Norwich Cathedral
  - Friends of the Earth, Middle East and the Lower Jordan River Rehabilitation Project: *Nader Khateeb*, Palestinian Director, *Hana Al As'ad*, Jordanian Good Water Neighbours Project Co-ordinator; *Elizabeth Ya'ari*, Jordan River Projects Co-ordinator
  - *Fiona Kanter*, Director of International Relations and Strategic Project Development for Green Pilgrim Jerusalem
  - *Dr Inad Sourkhi*, Department of Planning and Development, Jerusalem Governorate
  - *Bishop Munib Younan*, President Lutheran World Federation and Evangelical Lutheran Church Bishop of Palestine and Jordan
  - Discussion
- Reflection: *Rigmor Aasrud*, Minister of Government Administration, Reform and Church Affairs, Government of Norway
- Closing Reflection: *Dr Rajwant Singh*, President, EcoSikh

19.15: Dinner, Rica Nidelven Hotel restaurant, hosted by Sør-Trøndelag County Authority

21.00: Trondheim Tales: informal evening of storytelling about pilgrimage

Led by *Rev Andrew Patterson* and *Rev Dr Dane Sherrard*, Church of Scotland

## SUNDAY 28 JULY

The morning session is in the Conference Room, Rica Nidelven Hotel

### 09.00-11.50: Session Six: The Green Pilgrimage Network: The Way Forward

Chaired by *Rev Berit Lânke* and *Martin Palmer*

- Opening Reflection: *Dr Husna Ahmad*
  - **Growing the Idea...** from Luss and beyond: *Rev Dr Dane Sherrard*
  - **Starting an India Chapter:** *Chantal Elkin*, ARC programme manager, Wildlife and Forests
  - **The way forward from St Albans:** *Rev Dr Kevin Walton*, Canon Chancellor, St Alban's Cathedral, Church of England
  - **The Daoist Experience:** *Master Ren Xingzhi*, Abbot, Louguantai Monastery, China
  - **Growing the GPN Idea Worldwide:** *Naomi Tsur*, Deputy Mayor of Jerusalem Municipality

Group discussion around GPN future, over refreshments

- Plenary discussion

### 11.50 Formal close and Shinto invitation to Ise

*President Tanaka*, President of Jinja Honcho (Association of Shinto Shrines)

### 12.00-12.30: Simple lunch, Rica Nidelven

12.30: Walk to Torvet

### 13.00-14.30: Opening of St. Olav's festival

- 13.00: Pilgrimage procession from Torvet to Archbishop's Palace
- 13.30: Official opening of the festival in courtyard of Archbishop's Palace
- 14.30: Non's meal at Archbishop's Palace

### 16.30 Tea and coffee at the Rica Nidelven Hotel

### 17.00–18.00: Special interest group meetings in breakout rooms

- Setting up a European Network
- Green Spaces Discussion with Prof Chris Baines and Nerys Jones
- Green Maps with Wendy Brawer

### 19.30: Dinner, Rica Nidelven Hotel restaurant, hosted by the National Pilgrim Centre and ARC

- 20.30: Depart hotel and walk to Church of Our Lady

### 21.00: Pilgrimage Procession from Church of Our Lady to Nidaros Cathedral

### 23.00-24.00: Celebration of St Olav's Vigil in Nidaros Cathedral

- Fruit available upon return to hotel

## MONDAY 29 JULY

Departures and official end of meeting. Stay for festival at own cost.

