

# RENAISSANCE

SOCIAL INNOVATION CATALYST

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"You never change things by fighting the existing reality. To change something, build a new model that makes the existing model obsolete."

Buckminster Fuller

Renaissance2 events are based on the principles of "Evolution by Design". We discover, dream, design and deliver outstanding outcomes together through action-learning and co-creation.

This means scanning for, modelling and connecting what is working to mobilize coherently so that we deliver what is needed in time.



Events Guide

2009 & 2010

**In the next decade we will be challenged as never before as individuals, professionals and in our organizations. The convergent economic, ecological and cultural crises we are in mark the beginning of a great shift in our economy, culture and biosphere. Are you ready for what comes next?**

## **THE GREAT SHIFT GATHERINGS**

**22-26 Oct 2009 & 21-25 Oct 2010**

Renaissance2 is holding the "Great Shift Gathering" in October 2009 and 2010 following our highly successful Great Shift Partner Event in June 2009. Join an ongoing conversation with our circle of living legends such as Barbara Marx Hubbard, Michael Braungart, Ervin Laszlo, Don Beck, Andrew Cohen and Neale Donald Walsch. We will also be launching the groundbreaking WorldShift Alliance on 26 October 2009 and celebrating its first anniversary on 25 October 2010.

This is your personal invitation to attend one or both of the two ground breaking events which comprise the Great Shift Gathering each year:

### **EVENT 1: DESIGNING A RESILIENT CIVILIZATION**

**22-24 Oct 2009 & 21-23 Oct 2010**

At this event we will continue to prototype the new models forming the basis of Capitalism 2.0, while launching new projects that help accelerate their adoption. Join some of the world's leading innovators who are already doing pioneering work in the Renaissance2 Innovation Crucibles:

- transforming the world of **renewable energy**, including solar, wind & electric transport
- creating **resilient environments** including urban, industrial and service habitats around the world, using cradle-to-cradle and integral approaches
- developing **enlightened enterprises** driving social innovation and accelerating human and social development around the globe
- making the connections which enable new forms of **integral governance systems** to align the efforts of business, government, NGO's and communities

### **EVENT 2:**

### **CONSCIOUS EVOLUTION**

**25-26 Oct 2009 & 24-25 Oct 2010**

Conscious Evolution enables us to use our creative power to guide our own lives and the evolution of the systems and the communities in which we live and work. It is a process by which individuals and groups, families, organizations, and societies can envision and create images of what should be, and bring those images to life by design.

Some of the leading luminaries of Conscious Evolution will be joining us, including Barbara Marx Hubbard, Don Beck, Andrew Cohen and Neale Donald Walsch. They will be joined by a host of experts on human cultural and spiritual development to map out the way ahead, and highlight what we can each do to shift ourselves, our organizations, families and communities in:

- developing ourselves to the next level of conscious creative power in our own lives
- developing our communities and organizations to co-create aligned collectively intelligent human systems

### **RENAISSANCE2 WORLDSHIFT LEADERSHIP CIRCLES**

Innovative leaders in business, government, financial institutions plus NGO's and entrepreneurs are hard-pressed to stay in touch with the latest developments in their own ecosystems let alone the burgeoning worlds of social innovation, sustainability and technological breakthroughs. Most of the opportunities out there in our post-crisis great shift are below the radar and found through trusted advisors and networks.

**Find out more about these and other Renaissance2 events. Visit us at [www.renaissance2.eu](http://www.renaissance2.eu)**

**Are you a WorldShifter who wants to meet other leaders in a secure and enjoyable environment to accelerate your own initiatives and co-create breakthroughs with other influential individuals?**

## **R2 WORLDSHIFT LEADERSHIP CIRCLE GATHERINGS**

**27-29 May 2010 & 26-27 May 2011**

At R2 WLC gatherings executives and leaders from around the world assemble for an intensive three days in which they grapple together with the following kinds of issues and challenges:

### **Personal**

- accelerated personal and professional development
- transdisciplinary networking with other leaders
- shifting your family and community toward sustainable wellbeing & resilience

### **Organizational**

- integral organizational change & transformation
- sustainability, resilience & renewability at all levels
- catalyzing second renaissance innovation
- incubating mission-critical projects

### **National & Global**

- leadership for a sustainable future
- thriving People, communities and cities
- meaningful, inspirational culture and design
- incubating planet-critical projects

In the next decade it is the responsibility of all leaders to catalyze the acceleration, deepening and transformation of our personal, organizational and social learning cycles. We know you will leave each Renaissance2 gathering with a sense of personal satisfaction at being part of a group of global innovators making a difference while transforming themselves, their organizations and their world.

The WorldShift Leadership Circle draws on a panel of accomplished leaders as both role models and potential participants in our events, including WorldShift Alliance partners such as the Club of Budapest, whose members include Dr Ervin Laszlo, Mikhail Gorbachev, Paulo Coelho, Hazel Henderson, Muhammad Yunus and Peter Russell; Deepak Chopra's Alliance for a New Humanity; Barbara Marx-Hubbard's Foundation for Conscious Evolution; Jim Garrison's State of the World Forum and pioneers in human, organizational and social development such as Don Beck, Andrew Cohen and Ken Wilber.

The members of Renaissance2 also include several hundred leaders in business, NGO's, government, the arts, science and technology.

**Enhance your ability to foster both personal growth and collective genius in your career, organisation & ecosystems...**



## WHAT LEADERS & EXECUTIVES SAID ABOUT OUR FIRST GREAT SHIFT EVENT

25 leaders from eight countries (including several CEO's, NGO directors, senior academics and change agents) joined us for two exceptionally dynamic days at our first Great Shift event- here is what they had to say:

"Rewarding, Connecting, Full of Possibilities, Sensing traction & attraction"

"Hugely inspirational and fulfilling. It has shifted my mindset and opened new gateways."

"Now able to relate my day to day actions into a bigger picture and visualize how accountable I am towards my group and community."

"It was wonderful to be in such an open learning environment with such a motivated group of people."

"The speakers were mostly excellent and thought provoking."

"The participants – surprising in diversity – great combo – amazingly controlled egos – generous, curious and intelligent."

"The facilitators did a great job and showed flexibility and that they were in tune with our needs."

"The organisation and hosting, meals, entertainment, information, logistics were excellent."

"I have enormous appreciation for...the special energy and fellowship we have experienced."

The two events comprising the Great Shift Gathering and the Worldshift Leadership Circle events build on a gifted core team of designers, strategists and facilitators together with world class speakers and experts.

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## A FEW WORDS FROM OUR PARTNERS AND WORLDSHIFT CIRCLE OF LEADERS

### **Barbara Marx-Hubbard (The Foundation for Conscious Evolution)**

"As a life long champion of conscious evolution I see Dr Robin Wood's new book, "The Great Shift" as a seminal contribution toward our ability to evolve consciously. The shift of evolution itself from unconscious to conscious choice is to me the signal of the evolution of the species of Homo sapiens sapiens. As Sri Aurobindo put it: "Man is a transitional species." Transitional toward what is a key question. Reading "The Great Shift" helps us see that we are in transition to a co-creative, planetary, universal species, the fulfillment of the aspiration of the ages, the hearts' desire of countless millions. We gain "evolutionary eyes," and can see ourselves from the "Overview Perspective" as a species emerging toward its birth as a universal humanity".

### **Dr Ervin Laszlo (WorldShift 2012 and Club of Budapest)**

"We need a worldshift - that is, a worldwide shift from a path of unsustainability, conflict and confrontation, to a path toward sustainability, wellbeing, and peace."

Ervin Laszlo's latest book, "WorldShift 2012", together with a forthcoming book by Robin Wood, President of Renaissance2 entitled: "The Great Shift: Catalyzing the Second Renaissance", both set the scene for and provide invaluable practical perspectives and advice on how we can effect the profound changes required in order to meet the challenges of the next decade. Here are two forewords to "WorldShift 2012":

### **Mikhail Gorbachev**

"This handbook for the 21st century speaks to you in person. Indeed, this is a message that is addressed to you and to all of us. It is written in the hope that you will not only read it, but will also think through the things it tells you. ... This book helps us to understand the current situation of our planet and to find the path we must take. It helps us determine what we must do and how we must do it to ensure our common wellbeing".

### **Deepak Chopra**

"Beyond crisis-driven news, another world is rising. In this book Ervin Laszlo maps this new world and its promise – no one I know is more acutely attuned to it...WorldShift is about an outer world built on inner realization. Such a world is possible, as this book shows, and indeed is already being born in the hearts of millions of people".

