

Second Newsletter for the Sixth Delegates Conference of terre des hommes Germany

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1. Introduction

Dear delegates,

First of all, thank you very much for all your contributions and your cooperation in the process so far for the Delegates' Conference 2023!

In this newsletter, we would like to inform you again about the current state of affairs: After the successful future workshops in the regions, StanCom has clustered the results and you have chosen the most important topics. In a further step, a group of internal and external experts will formulate a first draft for the future strategic goals. More about this in the virtual pre-conference in December 2022 and January 2023. To date, proposals for Focal Themes have already been submitted. In addition, you can find out here in the newsletter how you can submit further contributions, what the next steps look like and we clarify some logistical details for the coming year.

Happy reading!

If you have any questions or concerns about the Delegates' Conference, please do not hesitate to contact the Organizing Committee:

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Languages: English, Spanish, Portuguese, German

2. New website for the Delegates' Conference process

Finally the time has come, we have a uniform platform on which all important documents and information can be collected and retrieved! From basic information about the delegates' conference, milestones during the process and the most important and explosive information, you can find everything on this website. [Just click through!](#)

This newsletter will initially remain the common format to keep you up to date at regular intervals. You can always access this one and the past newsletter on the website under "[News](#)". All other information that we inform you here can be viewed in the same or more detailed form on the website.

2.1. What information can be found on the website?

The "[Planner](#)" gives you an overview of the upcoming topics. You can also watch the content contributions from the webinars again via the "[Input](#)" tab. Via "[Proposals](#)" you will find all documents that will already be relevant in the pre-conference: The documents developed from the Future Workshops, the survey results as well as further proposals and contributions from different stakeholder groups. You can also get acquainted with your fellow delegates via "[People](#)". On the one hand you will find a list of names and on the other hand an external link to the platform "[Padlet](#)",

where you can also access photos and further information. The Padlet is password protected. The password has been sent to you in the corresponding e-mail.

2.2. How does the website work?

We initially designed the website as an overview in English, but all important documents are always available in the three languages. You can download these and other documents via the grey box on the right side with the title "Additional Documents".

If you have any questions, suggestions or criticism, please let us know (Lara (l.sander@tdh.de) & Jens (j.kunischewski@tdh.de)).

3. Results of the survey

After the regional future workshops were successfully held everywhere and StanCom summarized four big clusters with five (sub-)aspects each from the collected information, you voted on the importance of these topics in September.

Below you can see a table summarizing the number of ratings in the two highest categories for each aspect (should be the main focus/ extremely important). Also, in the parentheses after the clusters is summed up the number of top 3 priorities given to each cluster.

This table only serves as an overview here in the newsletter. The detailed survey results can be viewed on the **DC website** under "[Proposals](#)".

Cumulation of first two priorities: Should be the main focus/ extremely important	
Child Rights & Environment (33 cumulation of first three priorities)	
30	Global Climate & Environmental Justice
26	Food Security /Food Sovereignty
25	Environmental Education
25	Protection of Natural Livelihoods
15	Growing-Up in Harmony with Nature
Life Perspectives (28)	
30	Protection against Exploitation, especially Child Labour
27	Creating Life Perspectives for Youth
25	Child-Labour Free Production & Consumerism
25	Promote Alternative Sources of Income to prevent Child Labour
22	Access to Quality and Culturally Sensitive Education
Gender-Based Rights Violations (26)	
33	Prevention of Gender-Based Violence
30	Protection & Safeguarding from Gender-Based Violence
29	Socio-Economic and political participation of girls, women, and LGBTIQ

29	Equal Societal Recognition of diverse Gender Roles
15	Sexual Self-Determination/ Reproductive Health
Forced Displacement & Migration (21)	
30	Mental Health & Psychosocial Support
29	Protection of Children on the Move
26	Right to Come & Go & Stay
24	Equity in Receiving Communities
22	Access to Welfare Services

What's next?

The results of the survey and the entire input from the regional workshops will be used by the Expert Commission to formulate a first draft of the upcoming strategic goals.

The expert commission consists of at least two persons, each dealing with one of the topics: One internal person and one external person. Based on the discussions with the experts, the first drafts of the strategic goals are then formulated by an editorial team. When selecting the experts, we make sure that both the global South and North are represented.

We share the names with the first draft goals. It is important to reiterate here that these first drafts serve only as a first unified basis for discussion and that expert input is sought through the experts, but they do not decide anything. Everything can be changed, supplemented or even discarded.

The first draft targets will be sent to all delegates by mid-December and will be discussed together for the first time at the second and third sessions of the Pre-Conference in January 2023 and adapted, modified, rejected.

Of course, all delegate groups can also present their own drafts for strategic goals! The joint process, supervised by StanCom, of developing the strategic goals only serves to bundle opinions more effectively.

4. Proposals

In addition to the strategic goals, the delegates' conference also decides on possible international campaign and focus topics. There is no common process for this, but proposals have to be developed and submitted by the groups themselves.

There are already two proposals for focal themes, which we would like to share with you in this newsletter. In addition, there is a proposal from the volunteer delegates for a "developmental position paper" that will describe in more general terms the principles, positions and tenets of our common work for children's rights. All three proposals will be presented to the Delegates' Conference for decision. We will also discuss them in our three online meetings during the pre-conference (Dec. 8, 2022; Dec. 13, 2023; Dec. 20, 2023).

4.1.1. Focal Theme "respect 2 you"

The terre des hommes internal diversity group proposes a *focal theme* that refers to the development of a comprehensive approach to the implementation of Article II of the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child, with a special focus on the rights of LGBTIQ+ children and young people.

It is mainly about the right of children and adolescents to protection from discrimination "based on their(or their parent's/care-taker's)status, race, colour, sex, gender, language, religion, political or other opinion, national, ethnic or social origin, property, disability, birth or other status".

You can download a detailed description of this proposal in English on the website at "[Proposals](#)".

4.1.2. Focal Theme Proposal (ROSEA)

During the Future Workshop in the ROSEA region, a proposal for a *focal theme* for "Developing effective approaches in building democratic societies" was developed. The shrinking democratic spaces in most countries of the Southeast Asia region as well as the increasing disinformation as a means of infiltrating democratic processes and institutions were analysed as a baseline situation for this proposal.

You can also download a detailed elaboration for this proposal on the website at "[Proposals](#)".

4.1.3. Position paper "Daring Transformation - for an Earth of Humanity" ("Development Policy Position Paper")

The position paper "Daring Transformation - for an Earth of Humanity" serves to "analyse and define its position in a world of global change and increasing ecological, economic and social crises" and thus replaces the "Development Policy Position Paper" adopted in 2003. The paper was developed in a joint process of all actors involved in terre des hommes: the full-time employees, the members in Germany and the project partners of terre des hommes.

"Who is actually developing – individually, collectively, regionally, nationally or globally – and in what direction? Who defines „development“ and „development goals“? What is possible at all under the current general conditions? Who will pay the price for today's actions, and when?" The paper explores these questions and "sheds light on the ecological, social, economic and political transformations that are necessary at different levels of reference in order to come closer to an Earth of Humanity".

The document can be found on the website at "[Proposals](#)", it is available in all three languages.

5. What's next?

This will be the final chapter of each Delegates' Newsletter, to help you grasp the most important information for the next weeks and months in just a few paragraphs.

5.1. Who are the co-delegates?

In a few weeks, the first joint pre-conference will take place, where you will get to know each other in an online format. If you are already curious about the other delegates from the different regions and areas and their motivation for participating in the delegates' conference, take a look at the website at "[People](#)"!

In addition to a list of names, you will also find a link to the external platform "[Padlet](#)", where you can also access photos and further information. The Padlet is password-protected for privacy reasons, we have included this in the corresponding e-mail.

Click here for the padlet: <https://padlet.com/tdh23/DC2023>



Additional hint: We are still looking forward to receiving your completed profiles. And we are sure your fellow delegates are also excited to meet everyone in the group! So, we will continue to update the padlet.

5.2. How can further proposals be submitted?

The steps taken so far have already served to bundle discussions and create synergies. However, the various groups of delegates (youth network, partners, staff, board, presidium) can submit proposals at any time **up to 45 days before the delegates' conference**, as has already happened with the two proposals for focal themes. These proposals must be submitted to StanCom (you can send them to your local StanCom member or StanCom's secretary, Jens: j.kunischewski@tdh.de).

The proposals must fit into the decision-making areas of the Conference of Delegates (strategic goals, focal themes, resolutions). There are no binding formats for applications.

Proposals may also be submitted to the Conference of Delegates via "ad hoc" motions if they concern a topic that is already on the agenda of the Conference of Delegates.

For further details, please refer to the "Handbook on the Conference of Delegates", which is organised in the format of a glossary and can be found on the website under the tab "[Knowledge](#)".

5.3. Logistic information

Following, we would like to give some information on the travel dates of delegates and the venue sites in Germany. Your regional terre des hommes offices and Lara Sander (l.sander@tdh.de) at Head Office are happy to assist you in the logistical aspects.

5.3.1. Information about arrival and departure dates

Youth Delegates

- **Arrival date: 16-17/06/2023** in Osnabrück/ Germany
- Expected 17/06 – 21/06: Preparation in terre des hommes Head Office in Osnabrück
- 23/06 – 25/06: **Delegates Conference 2023** in the KSI Convention Centre Siegburg
- Departure Date: 25/06 at night or 26/06 of June from Siegburg/ Germany

Partner Delegates

- **Arrival date: expected on 21/06/2023** in KSI Convention Centre Siegburg/ Germany
- 22/06 – 23/06 (morning) in Siegburg: Joint meeting of partner delegates

- 23/06 – 25/06: **Delegates Conference 2023** in the KSI Convention Centre Siegburg
- Departure Date: 25/06 at night or 26/06 from Siegburg/ Germany

Terre des hommes volunteers

- **Arrival date: 22/06/2023** in KSI Convention Centre Siegburg/Germany
- 23/06 (morning): Meeting of all volunteer delegates
- 23/06 – 25/06: **Delegates Conference 2023** in the KSI Convention Centre Siegburg
- Departure Date: 25/06

StanCom

- **Arrival date: expected on 22/06** in KSI Convention Centre Siegburg/Germany
- 23/06 (morning): Meeting of the StanCom
- 23/06 – 25/06: **Delegates Conference 2023** in the KSI Convention Centre Siegburg
- Departure Date: 25/06 o 26/06

Staff Delegates

- **Arrival date: expected on 23/06** in KSI Convention Centre Siegburg/Germany
- 23/06 – 25/06: **Delegates Conference 2023** in the KSI Convention Centre Siegburg
- Departure Date: 25/06

Regional Coordinators

- 19/06 – 22/06/2023: Management Meeting in Osnabrück
- 23/06 – 25/06: **Delegates Conference 2023** in the KSI Convention Centre Siegburg
- 26/06: Transfer to Osnabrück
- 27/06 – 28/06: Meeting for Operationalization of DC Decisions in Osnabrück

Important: Up-to-date information and can always be found on the [website](#) of the delegates' conference!

5.3.2. Information about the venues

Convention Centre KSI in Siegburg (close to Bonn)

Address

Katholisch-Soziales Institut (Convention Centre) Bergstraße 26, 53721 Siegburg

[Google Maps](#)

[Wikipedia](#)



terre des hommes Germany Head Office

Address

terre des hommes Head Office

Ruppenkampstraße 11a, 49084 Osnabrück

[Google Maps](#)
[Wikipedia](#)



5.4. What happens next?

Travel arrangements

- **Until 31/12/2022:** for all international participants in process, accompanied by tdh regional offices (visa applications if necessary, flights, etc.)

Digital Preparation Conference (duration: 3 online meetings á 2h each): Invitations and links will be sent two weeks before the respective date.

- **Thursday, 8 December 2023, 08:00 Bogotá, Lima/ 09:00 La Paz/ 10:00 São Paulo/ 15:00 Johannesburg, Port Elizabeth/ 16:00 Erbil/ 18:30 Pune, Delhi/ 20:00 Bangkok**
- **Friday, 13 January 2023, 08:00 Bogotá, Lima/ 09:00 La Paz/ 10:00 São Paulo/ 15:00 Johannesburg, Port Elizabeth/ 16:00 Erbil / 18:30 Pune, Delhi/ 20:00 Bangkok**
- **Friday, 20 January 2023, 08:00 Bogotá, Lima/ 09:00 La Paz/ 10:00 São Paulo/ 15:00 Johannesburg, Port Elizabeth/ 16:00 Erbil / 18:30 Pune, Delhi/ 20:00 Bangkok**

5.5. Important information for the next newsletter

Would you like to tell the other delegates about topics, events, meetings at the Delegates Conference? You are invited to send a short (!) article to Jens (j.kunischewski@tdh.de) so that we can include it in the next newsletter.

The next delegate newsletter will be published in March! See you soon!

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