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I. Purpose. What is IEC 2020 about?

Let's explore what IEC conferences are about, and what the specific focus is for the next 2020 gathering.

IECs in general: The principal gatherings of the global integral community, held in Europe.

Integral European Conferences are the premier venue for the global integral world to get together and exchange information, knowledge, and experience. Held every two years in Europe, IECs are not only a huge social catalyst where international integral collaborations begin, enabling our human capital to grow, they also have a mission based on integral principles.

At integral conferences, people experience a high concentration of presence, a quality intellectual environment, and a positive openness towards each other. This is partly due to the evolutionary orientation of positive growth: seeing the developmental potentials of people, organizations, and humanity at large that unfold in stages. In the integral view, evolution occurs not only in the objective, physical, exterior world as natural science has it, but also in the subjective interiors as psychology and spirituality describe it, and integral is there to connect the two. Thus, science, psychology, and spirituality are no longer separated but integrated reasonably.

Developmental stages and the potential of higher states in people, organizations, and humanity at large are part of the focus of the integral discourse. Whether seen from the perspective of the individual interior—how a person feels, thinks, experiences: typically discussed by psychology, personal-growth approaches, psychotherapy, coaching, and spiritual practices—or a collective interior, like relationships, family and group dynamics, relational „we-space” practices, organizational and cultural questions, all the way up to politics, value systems, and international dynamics, all is discussed in the integral approach and at IEC conferences.

Integral Theory not only connects the objective, exterior physical world (nature sciences) with the subjective, psychological inner world (human sciences) in its individual and collective forms, but also translates it to major domains of everyday life, such as businesses, organizations, leadership, politics, education, health, ecology, sustainability, arts, just to name a few.

The basic drive is: How can we „do human” better and how do we make the world a better place that is based on goodness and our higher potentials? What are the stages of development of these many different domains? What are the shadow areas of the particular levels of development that need to be cleaned up, and what are the bright potentials of each stage we can grow up to that make our lives well worth living? Also, what are the best practices that facilitate developmental growth

and its translation to what we call the four quadrants—the matrix of the interiors, exteriors, and the individual and collective?

The most encompassing approach that we know of today, a meta-theory that integrates over a hundred schools of psychology, spirituality, philosophy, sociology, and other human sciences is Ken Wilber's Integral Theory. For IECs it serves as a common denominator and theoretical reference point, as a clear and powerful formulation of integral consciousness today.

Because it integrates over a hundred world-renowned and time-tested theories, besides the expert Ken Wilber, it also brings together many other experts and practitioners from these evolutionary and developmental worlds. Thus IECs are open and welcoming. A useful metaphor might be a wide open „tent,” where people of many evolutionary and developmental approaches gather, where Wilber's Integral Theory is the „central pole.” The overarching tent canvas houses many other „tribes” from around the globe, all coming together to share knowledge and have transformative experiences.

Coming together at IECs are: Susanne Cook-Greuter's Ego-Development Theory (Susanne and her students); Integral Coaching Canada coaches; Terri o Fallon and Kim Barta with STAGES; Integral Facilitators; Piaget's, Loevinger's, and Kegan's developmental psychologies from Harvard; transpersonal psychologists and integral psychologists; other psychologists, psychotherapists, and psychiatrists; integral counselors; migrant, refugee, and torture victim healers; medical doctors open to integral approaches; people from the Gravesian and Spiral Dynamics community; Frederic Laloux's Teal world and Holocracy, and all the other innovations of organization development based on these or other similar approaches; Torbert's Action Inquiry Leadership world; Scharmer's Theory U for individual and societal change from MIT; Sri Aurobindo's Integral Yoga and other yoga people; Jean Gebser's worldview stages; Zen, Vipassana, and Tibetan buddhists; Christianity and its mysticism; Islam and Sufism; native shamanic traditions and energetic approaches; near-death experience experts; Enneagram experts; next stage technologists and AI people; group therapy, collective consciousness and we-space practitioners, like the global Circling community, Integral Flow and other Constellation methods; ecology and sustainability practitioners; artists, painters, musicians, and actors inspired by the integral approach—all are meeting at IEC, just to name a few. Contributions range from academic presentations to general lectures, a great variety of experiential workshops, transformative processes, and all-community socializers.

We ask our presenters to familiarize themselves with Wilber's Integral Theory. Some are experts in it, and some only know it to a basic degree so they can refer to it lightly. They don't need to be Wilber followers—just be able to refer to it. An applicant who has never heard of Integral Theory and hasn't made the effort to familiarize him or herself at least to some degree might not be accepted to present. Presenters are invited to skillfully apply, deepen its understanding, lightly refer to, wisely criticize, mindfully correct, offer alternatives to Integral Theory, and present their own models,

findings, theories and practices—whichever feels true for them. Thus IECs have a central pole—the most encompassing Integral Theory we know of—with a wide, free „dance space” around it, colorful and different perspectives that come together in balance and unity.

We will come together in May 2020 and share our knowledge in the service of world transformation in a much needed time, and unpack the full potential of the integral approach. All applications for all categories from all corners of the planet are welcome. Come, take a chance, and step up!

IEC 2020 in particular: Global Integral Awakens

When we give a focus to IECs with a title, we examine three things: what larger trends are happening in the world in general; in the integral world in particular; and where IEC is heading with its events.

1. Trend in the World

Ecological crisis is more urgent than ever, which unites us globally. Integral solutions are more needed than ever to transform the interiors and exteriors for a sustainable new world.

Many of us have been following science-based projections or spiritual visions and prophecies that say we are entering an era of a higher stage, a collective awakening, where greater perspective taking, freedom, connectedness, goodness, love, creativity, and spirituality will unfold. In this emerging new consciousness that we call the integral stage of evolution, individual differences are celebrated as uniqueness of the self and are connected in a larger collective that heals separation. No longer is it a dictate of the privileged ones, but the creative co-creation of the many.

While many of us hold this inspiring vision, this is not all that has happened on Earth in the last decades. Postmodern and post-postmodern, integral stage activities have grown largely all over the globe, but activities belonging to previous stages of evolution have also increased: the greedy, orange, shadow side of capitalism has brought us to an ecological crisis never seen before. Modern states have been regressing to premodern amber ethnocentrism with populist right-wing leaders: „my country first” (and only?) – for example, America with Trump and Hungary with Orban, just to name a few. Red and magenta leadership and tribal warfare with terrorism has increased in the Middle East, Africa, and Latin America. Sending millions of refugees in need and migrants in hope to Europe and North America has forced the EU and the global community to face its own shadow, while Britain has split off with Brexit. Transformation times are everywhere.

Sometimes it feels that the road to the next stage world is not a victory march, but one with a broken Hallelujah. One that needs a more precise understanding of the new age, and more professionalism and skills to navigate through chaos and

keep the direction. In this world gone slightly mad, the ecological crisis has got to a whole new level and is on the verge of spinning out of control. In 2019, we read more catastrophic news than ever; it has almost become the daily norm, not the anomaly. Previously unimaginable heatwaves of 45 degree celsius in France, 30 degrees at the arctic circle, thick ice in summer in Mexico, paralyzing arctic temperatures in the US, mass water shortages in India. We are in trouble. We don't know how much time is left to fix it, whether it is 5, 20, or 50 years. As integralists we know that no external fixing alone will help on the systemic level. Internal change has to come with it, both individually and collectively, in all four quadrants. It is not even a fixing: it is a transforming.

Fellow integralists, we have reached a critical phase where the old system can't go on and the new world has to come. Let the river of transformation flow through all quadrants and all continents, and your work might be crucial in this transition. This ecological crisis is a global emergency that unites us and shifts our focus from local to global. We are in the same shoes everywhere.

What is new and stunning in the situation this year is that:

1.) Humanity all around the globe feels for the first time in history together that we might be all close to extinction. Nobody wants to die and the possibility of dying is closer than ever now for everyone. Before that it was so for a tribe, a troop in a war, a country or region in the cold war. Now it is for all and everyone at the same time, together. Many believed in global warming in the last two decades, but also many not, and few were actually sure about it. By this year almost everybody is sure based on constant experiencing. We have reached an era of collective global yes to the subject and a sense of „now we all have to act“. Even if Trump doesn't follow this collective trend many Americans do: individuals, communities, companies, cities and states stood on their feet. And here is the hope and the good news!

2.) We see in 2019-2020 an unprecedented amount of real change: we as humanity might well be deep in the transformation process already. Finally it is happening.

We see a clear acceleration of heart based climate, eco- and societal action from individuals to communities, companies, cities, states, countries, and international agreements. Most major news agencies keep ringing alarm bells and report on positive actions. Cities, countries governments line up to declare climate crisis that sets in motion an unprecedented scale of long needed positive action, in a scale never seen before. It looks like we might have gotten through the eye of the needle of hesitation, uncertainty or denial, and we have said yes collectively to change. A mark of integral global awaking, whether it is called integral or not.

According to Spiral Dynamics – a frequently used stage theory in the integral world - the yellow, integral stage of development what we also call Teal in Wilber's stages is the new Beige. Yellow or Teal, the 7th stage of development is Beige or Infrared (the very 1st, archaic stage of development) on a higher level. Beige in Spiral Dynamics

which is Infrared in Wilber's is the very basic stage of individual survival. A tier up on evolution's ladder and spiral, on what we call the second tier: we come together as humanity, based on collective survival, and it connects us global like never before. Differences – of which there are plenty of – just seem to become secondary to cooperation, and rather than being a base for separation it becomes many colors in unity. Primary is the dance in the collective field and following of what the Big We wants. Something that opens ways from Teal and Yellow to Turquoise, a stage of late-integral consciousness bordering the transpersonal. Where intuitive listening to the collective field, a larger social holon is more interesting, inspiring and fun. The opportunity to make the shift to a new era is here, and even with the regression that we have seen in the last years we might well already be on that progressive evolutionary transition, that we have been waiting for.

As integral people, we are among those who have an understanding of what is happening and where are we heading to. We have a vision and the skills to move people, organizations, and decision makers in the new direction that is needed. Integral solutions are much needed for our survival. So please come and be part of the global shift and the integral awakening!

Come and tell us: how is your work helping the world's transition into a new phase? May it be in a small, medium or large scale, it might be important. How is it helping the individual or collective growing up, waking up, and cleaning up process? What are your insights, experiences and conclusions that you would share with the integral world and the world at large? Come and share with us and meet others to dialogue! Also, learn what they do, and sense where we are collectively, and what is trending! Let's further co-create and define the global integral world that is arising!

2. Trend in the Integral World

Integral conferences started to happen all around the world.

Integral conferences have a history dating back to the early 2000s. They first appeared in the US, Spain, and Germany, and stayed at a country level with some international attendees, while other countries started serious, comprehensive integral training programs, like Canada, Denmark, and Hungary. Also at this phase, the Integral Institute in the US and many other countries started to offer integral courses, either locally or internationally.

In the next phase since 2014, a wider need emerged: some of the leaders of these initiatives wanted to step into and co-create a larger integral world. This initiative sprang out of Europe: Europeans came together and organized their first continental conference, where integral circles, leaders, experts, practitioners, and also newcomers to the field gathered from 30-50 countries for a joined-continent gathering. That's how the Integral European Conferences started five years ago.

In 2019, we are witnessing yet another phase when the need for continental scale integral gatherings has also appeared in Latin America and Africa. In Latin America, the first Hispanic American Integral Conference (Primer Encuentro HispanoAmerica Integral) was successfully held in Colombia, and in Johannesburg, South Africa, the



first Integral African Conference has just happened. Integral is on the rise globally, which is another process signaling „integral global awakens,” in the sense of the integral movement having a global awakening to itself.

Some interesting additional aspects arose through these gatherings regarding cultural aspects of Integral Theory and the integral movement itself. European guests at American Integral conferences often felt they were very American-centric and didn't leave much room left for other countries to actually join the discourse. At the European conferences, this problem was solved by inviting 30-50 different countries to occupy the stage, thus creating a truly multicultural scene, where players had a chance to co-create something truly multicultural, international, and enjoying a wider identity.

At these gatherings, Indian and African guests started to question whether Integral Theory and these gatherings were too Euro-centric. At the Integral African Conference (on African land), this question was again reflected upon. Has Integral Theory and the integral movement been American- and European-centric? While keeping the essence of Integral Theory, can we unpack a more global presence, collaboration, and reflections on cultural specifics? Hopefully we can, and we are witnessing the awakening of a truly global integral movement!

3. Trend at the IEC events

We started out as a European conference with non-European guests, and we ended up being a global conference organized in Europe.

At the first IEC event in 2014, we focused on „The Emergence of Integral Consciousness in Europe.” This title signaled the time had come for the integral circles and gatherings that had been happening locally to come together on a European scale. The goal was to birth the European scene and we did it successfully. At the first IEC, **500 people came from 32 countries.** At the second IEC in 2016, the title and the focus was „Reinventing Europe,” and we worked on the burning questions of those times: refugee and migrant influx, possible transformation of the EU, etc. We had **500 people from 35 countries.**

In 2018 at IEC3, we felt we needed to open the gates to the global integral world and start to focus on all: „Allies of Evolution,” as the title had it. We had **600 people come from 47 countries** and the (non-European) **global attendees** reached an almost **40%** that made the Europeans very happy. We started to feel the shift from being a European conference with non-European guests to being a global conference held in Europe. And from this point on, together we are part of the global integral awakening.

Summary

We have entered a new period when the global ecological crisis has grown to an emergency phase. This unites us, humans globally more than before. We are in a global era, where the old playbooks don't work anymore: nor an amber regression to nation-states, nor the linear growth economy with its orange capitalism are sustainable, and lead us out from the crisis. A post-capitalistic economy with a post-democratic collective governance system has to be created. The script of the new world is not yet globally written: many (of us) are working on it today. The integral scene is a hotspot for these scripts and thinking. Not coincidentally the integral movement and IEC itself has also shifted to a global phase, full of inspiration, purpose, and solutions. We call everyone from Europe, the Americas, Africa, Asia, Australia and the Pacific to gather next year, and come together to share, teach, and co-create the new world at IEC 2020!

II. Invitation to Americans, Africans, Asians, and Australians

Americans, Africans, Asians, Australians, come! We warmly welcome you at IEC 2020, which serves as a meeting place for the European, South and North American, African, Asian, and Australian integral communities to come together, providing an opportunity for the global integral movement to convene and get stronger and more connected than ever.

You will meet many people whom you have heard about already; it is a delight

to meet our heroes, friends, and colleagues in person. You'll also meet a bunch of interesting people you weren't aware of before. You may discover a global community that is richer than you thought! Nothing compares to the excitement of a real, live, pulsating integral community buzz that goes on for days in a fun and well-equipped proper venue. As Dr. Roger Walsh put it after having been there from the first till the last day of IEC 2018 (including the tour): „It is just impossible to have a boring conversation here.”

“Finding our global tribe” and „meeting the tribe” are often said to be one of the most satisfactory experiences of IECs. It shapes our identity and creates belonging to a meaningful global community. Your presence is important and it co-creates the future of the global integral movement. In addition, we also count on your participation at the International Constellation Evening, a whole-audience process that will focus on countries and cultures, aiming towards creating a truly global integral world. Presenters and participants leave behind their roles and come together in one big unifying process of maximum flow, creativity, and true human connectedness on that evening. There, everyone's presence, country, and culture is acknowledged, weaving it into a colorful global experience.

III. Timeline, structure and the integral principles of IEC 2020

Understand the format that IEC uses will help you as a presenter to understand your role and time frame in the conference.

1. Day structure: A centauric format, for the marriage of sense and soul.

IEC uses an integral format in various ways. A „centauric” format defines the experience, the centaur being a symbol used by Ken Wilber in his early works. It denotes the integral personality, a late-level 6, or teal personality. This stage of development is characterized by the „marriage of sense and soul,” where the rational mind and the emotional-intuitive part of our being are both exercised and integrated—neither is rejected or suppressed. A person at this altitude of development is equally receptive to intellectually sharp research and fact-based scientific findings or other forms of logical-rational reasoning, as to psychological processes that involve the vulnerability of self-disclosure, sharing feelings and interiors, putting down our guards and opening up. Often this is achieved through nonverbal group exercises, where people let go of their mask and encounter in a deeper, more truly human space.

Based on this centauric principle, the IEC experience has as many intellectual exchanges as experiential processes, trying to set a good balance between the two. Another approach to describe it is using the example of the two brain hemispheres, where the left side is the logical, intellectual, strategic and the right side is the intuitive, emotional, spontaneous, connective.

Morning for the Intellect: Presentations

We also connect these two functionings to the daily biorhythms of the body. In the morning till noon, usually we are fresher and more cognitive, and after lunch the well-used brain might get a bit tired and less sharp, so it feels good to play and do experientials in the afternoon. So, the program starts at 9 am in the main hall, and between 9 am and 2 pm is the time for predominantly left-brain activities: understanding, thinking, dialoguing. During this period, between 9 and 10:30, keynote speakers will present on the main stage, followed by a 30-minute break, and then a 30-minute phase for 30-second elevator pitches by all who will present that day, on the main stage, in front of the whole audience. Then come the presentations, from 12 pm to 2 pm in 2-hour thematic sections rooms. Here all presenters offer a 20-minute TED-style talk, followed by an hour of facilitated dialogues between presenters and audience. This is facilitated by pre-selected and trained section room facilitators.

Also, the morning cognitive hours are not just dry talk times—they are dotted with live musical inserts, moments of silence, short fun processes, movements, and a break.

Afternoon for the Soul: Workshops

After lunch in the 2 pm-6 pm afternoon time, the right brain hemisphere gets to play a larger role and the experiential workshops begin. Sometimes they are playful and funny, sometimes deep and emotional, often insightful and self-reflective. During the afternoon, it is not only experiential process, some workshop rooms have more verbal sharings, other rooms have more nonverbal deep processes. Participants can choose the depth of engagement they want to commit to day by day, thus you can fine-tune the setting of your brain as to how much you want to go into the right emotional-intuitive brain, and you can decide it from the flow at the time.

Evening for Socializing: All-community events

After dinner there are no more lectures and workshops, rather there is time for free socializing, with a lot of conversations going on in the lobby, the bar, the garden, at the lakeside, and in the pools of the spa. People enjoy the spontaneous free flow. On one of the evenings there is the constellation process, in which everybody takes part. It is the deepest of all community experiences, and surely not to be missed. Another night we might go out in nature and do cultural, musical, and dance activities around a huge bonfire. On the last night there is a gala dinner, and we set up a stage where the community can play music and sing together, forming an integral band with an array of singers popping up from presenters and participants.

Bringing it All Together: A Truly integral Experience

As the days pass, this daily rhythm and the weaving of the two hemispheres evoke the centauric experience, an integral way of being, that becomes felt and experienced. Thus IECs are not only places for information exchange and „sell your stuff” markets, but an extraordinary place for personal growth and integral transformation. And most of all: abundant joy and inner glow.

Classical, modern conferences are often just „talk talk talk.” So, the postmodern culture created „anti talk-talk-talk” gatherings, called „non-conferencing” conferences. This is often a much-needed green counter reaction to the painfully one-sided orange, rational, strive-driven conferences.

Let’s just be, connect, flow: experience! And let’s transcend hierarchical roles that kill honest relating and be equals. We go from sitting on chairs to sitting on the floor. That’s the new culture at the postmodern green stage. The experiential gatherings are often deeply relaxing, connected, and enjoyable, so much so that they often forgot about—or are explicitly against—sharp intellectual discourse and scientific account. As fixated and one-sided as orange can get, green can also get fixated if it is all just about experience and feeling good.

In an integral conference, we transcend both orange and green and include them in the next post-postmodern teal stage. Here we integrate: we talk and we experience. Talk is real talk, experience is real experience. Give a full go to both. We might sit at times on chairs and at times on the floor – depending on which space we are in – the presentation room or the workshop room. And everybody has the freedom to choose which space to use to what extent. We bring the two together and we are flexible and easy about switching modes. That is the exercise of an integral stage.

2. Timeline of all IEC 2020 Events: Pre, main, and post events

Though there are 6 main conference days, with all pre- and post-events, IEC lasts all together 12 days.

1. Pre-conference events (May 23-24)

Before the IEC conference starts there are usually related workshops and courses offered. Note that these are not the so called „pre-conference workshops,” but events even prior to that, on the days before. This is the weekend before the IEC week. These events take place in Budapest, where everybody flies in.

Confirmed: Dr. Robert Kegan’s one day Stages of Adult Development and Immunity to Change Workshop, Sunday the 24th of May, 2020. Registration opens in the fall of 2019. Other pre-conference events will develop and be announced later.

May 25th, Monday: Arrival day, no events on this day. On this Monday, the team sets up at the hotel in the town of Siófok (note: IEC is not in Budapest). The pre-conference event participant gets an IEC-organized shuttle that takes them from

Budapest to Siófok, to Hotel Azúr, and other participants start to arrive too and get IEC-organized shuttles from the airport to Hotel Azúr. This day is for arrival, settling in, relaxing, socializing, having a swim in the lake. Also a perfect day to organize meetings and work sessions with your international friends and colleagues without missing any programs.

2. The IEC conference (May 26- 31)

The 6 days of the conference, lasting from Tuesday morning to Sunday evening, are divided into two parts: the 1.5 days pre-conference workshop phase Tuesday and Wednesday till noon, and the 4.5 days main conference, from Wednesday afternoon till Sunday evening.

Pre-conference workshops take place at the IEC venue, Hotel Azur in Siófok town, directly on Lake Balaton beach. Starting Tuesday, May 26th, from 9:00 am – 6:00 pm through Wednesday, May 27th, from 9:00 am – 12:00 pm.

The Welcoming Boat Trip Party: Often we organize this fun, welcome socializer event on the pre-conference Tuesday evening from 7:30 pm – 10:00 pm, when we hire a cruise ship on the lake with dinner and live music.

Main Conference: Starts at 2:00 pm on Wednesday, May 27th, and ends at 5:00 pm on Sunday, May 31st (followed by a fun gala dinner at 7 pm). It's best to book return flights for Monday... Unless you are joining the post-conference tour!

3. Post-conference: 3-Day Magical Integral Sightseeing Tour (June 1-3)

Spending all our days in a conference hotel and on its sunny beach, we haven't seen anything yet of the country and culture that surrounds us. If we fly to romantic, culturally and historically rich Central Europe but don't see any of the sights, this might be something we regret afterwards. Take the time to explore. Budapest is a world-famous, must-go destination in Europe, and the country around it is beautiful, especially in blossoming, warm springtime. May is the best month to visit.

Instead of being caught up in only fact-reciting, soulless, orange tourism, join us for a well-thought-through integral journey that will take a bus full of integral fellows to visit some of the must-sees of Budapest and Hungary. It will also take you to places tourists don't get to, where locals go. Hungarian integralists have designed the tour to consciously explore sites that represent memetic layers of culture – according to the stages of development arching across 2000 years – that the local culture has available.

You will see ancient, magenta-red era tribal aspects, blue era medieval castles, modern orange Hungary, and postmodern green. Looking for integral? You just spent several days there in Siófok. Having a peep at the Holocaust history that happened here, and the socialist era behind the iron curtain can also be part of the program. The tour usually involves a nature visit in the forested mountains to chill out

and meditate, and sometimes a visit to local spiritual farms for a „cserge” ceremony, which is sweat lodge in Hungarian (yes, it was used here, too). Give yourself this extra treat and choose this intelligent integral version of looking around.

The tour starts on Monday, June 1st at 9:00 am, leaving from the conference venue, Hotel Azur. It ends in downtown Budapest, Wednesday, June 3, at 5:00 pm. Book a return flight for Thursday, or a Wednesday evening flight with a take off after 8 pm.

IV. Presenter’s Application Guide: Types of available slots

IEC’s Call for Presenters attracts an overwhelming amount of experts, practitioners, leading-edge thinkers, and change agents from dozens of fields and nearly 50 countries. To accommodate and manage this immense value, we have developed an innovative format which gives presenters the highest chance of getting in and contributing. We like to offer the stage to as many people as possible, across a wide spectrum of subjects, countries, continents, cultures, and gender. Around 180 people will get in as a presenter and have a slot to contribute in. We do our best to give presenters their dream slots, but due to the big number of players and richness, we kindly ask presenters to accept the given slot that we manage to offer, which at times might be just what the presenter wanted, and other times might be shorter or put on a different day. Each applicant will be notified of their acceptance, and the exact day and time of his or her presentation.

For practical reasons, we call all contributors „presenters,” whether they deliver a talk (usually called „presenter”) or lead an experiential process, artistic performance, etc. (usually called workshop facilitator, psychotherapist, coach, healer, spiritual teacher, artist, etc.). Each presenter will appear in two ways: in the given time slot, which is the actual presentation, and additionally, each presenter is invited to the main stage on the morning of his or her presentation to do an elevator pitch. This is a 30-second flash presentation, when the presenter stands in front of all the conference attendees (600-700 people) on the main stage and announces his or her presentation that will follow that day. In this way, we manage to give equal chance to all presenters to be seen and heard by the entire conference audience. We support this 30-minute elevator pitch with a slide projector that will show the title, time, and room of the presentation.

A. Formats of Contributions

Contributions at IEC 2020 are offered in the following formats only. Please choose one of these formats when you fill out the application form, as each contribution has to be in one of these formats. If you want to apply for more than one contribution, you can do that by creating a separate application for each contribution, rendering the format. We suggest you be specific and decide upon your true format from the beginning, instead of handing in the same subject multiple times in different formats.



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MOST COMMON FORMATS

1. PRESENTATION

3. ACADEMIC PRESENTATIONS: **Theory and research paper written in academic style and presented at IEC 2020. Academic paper required.**
4. GENERAL PRESENTATIONS: Theory, practice, application. Paper not required.

Presentations will be grouped into sections or tracks depending on their subject, and will be presented in the late morning hours before lunch, when the mind is still fresh and receptive for thinking.

2. WORKSHOP

Transformational processes for personal development, healing, and opening; facilitating spiritual practices; offering community experience; trying out and learning techniques and methods; generating dialogue around a specific subject; offering an artistic experience; etc.

Workshops will be categorized into types A, B, and C, referring to the depth of involvement and experience. Type C is dialoguing or presenting a subject that requires minimal and easy involvement, type B is experiential requiring more involvement, and Type A is stronger experiential inviting deeper involvement, like potential break throughs, emotional processes, etc.

Workshops will be offered after lunch, when it is more comfortable to relax our thinking and shift to experiential processes, embodied exercises, play, connectedness, and we-space practices.

OTHER AVAILABLE FORMATS

In addition to the two most typically chosen categories of presentations and workshops, there are other ways to be present and contribute to the conference. You can offer morning practices to start the day; artistic performances to bring us into awe; you can exhibit posters that summarize and promote your activity in main communal areas where everybody passes daily; and you can rent out tables to promote your business.

3. MORNING PRACTICE

Morning practices are typically meditation, movement, or voice practices that are offered in the hour before breakfast. Whether it be Zen, Vipassana, yoga, or Tai chi, chanting or toning, or any other type of spiritual, health, or holistic practice – if you are inspired to lead a morning practice, choose this format.



4. ARTISTIC OFFERING

The two main forms of art that are generally present at IECs are painting and music. Painters are welcome to bring and exhibit their art – an exhibition will be organized by former IEC exhibitors, English-Tobagonian and French-Canadian artists Jennifer Baird and Gaia Orion.

Music also plays an important role at IECs, and usually there are two or more bands who play and a communal musical jam session is organized. If you are a musician or singer and would enjoy joining the musical aspect of the conference, let us know. Other forms of art at IECs might include dance, theater, poetry, photography, or any other art that fits to the program.

5. POSTER

A great way to be present and visible throughout the conference is to exhibit a poster and offer a poster presentation. Posters summarize and promote your activity on one big page. They are hung on wooden stands in the main communal areas, where people pass by daily.

6. TABLE

If you'd like to maximize your business presence at IEC, it's great to have your own table, whether it is a passive or active table. A passive table has (only) your flyers, books, rollup and promotional materials in a well-positioned, visible spot, in the main common areas. An active table has the same elements plus you or your representative's personal presence to interact with people. This is a great opportunity for book signing, and also to sell books and promote courses, programs, and services.

7. OTHER PROMOTIONAL OPTIONS

To maximize orange promotional opportunities at the world gathering, you can also place flyers, books, rollups, and artifacts to sell. For these options, please check out the conditions on our promotional options page (you'll find it on www.integraleuropeanconference.com – under the IEC 2020 menu).

B. Thematic Categories of Contributions

Besides selecting the format of your contribution, you might also be asked to match your subject with one or more themes. Let's understand now what a section is and what a track is. These are two ways to group presentations.

Sections

Presentations will be grouped in thematic sections. For example, if a dozen presenters hand in applications on coaching, then we create an integral coaching section and have those presenters present in the same section room, one after the other, followed by a discussion with the audience that is drawn to that subject. These presenters will appear in section rooms in the late morning hours before lunch. Typically we have around 30 thematic sections (in other words, integral applications or domains, like coaching, psychology, psychotherapy, spirituality, leadership, organizational development, politics, health, art, etc.) at a conference. Workshops that take place in the afternoon are not grouped in sections.

Tracks

A track is a larger category of thematic grouping and there are less in number. A track is a broader topic present in the global integral community practiced by many, across countries, or a topic that is known all over but is not in the general discourse and needs more focus, more attention. For example, the importance of shadow work is echoed all over, so we have created a shadow work track. Circling has become widespread and popular on almost all continents in the last few years and is generally intertwined with integral people. Shamanic and nature mystical practices are part of the integral discourse but less visible than, let's say, Buddhism or yoga, and might need more attention.

A track gets the same room for all the main days of the conference. Since there are only 10 parallel rooms, only a very limited number of tracks can be offered, in order not to take away the room from the others: typically between 2 and 4. In the shadow work room, for 4 days there will be only shadow work, offered by a dozen or more contributors. In the morning hours during presentation time, presentation formats are offered on shadow work in that room. During the afternoon workshop hours, experiential workshops will be practiced in the shadow room – and so on for 4 days.

Same topic, same room, 4 days, many contributors and variations on the subject. Thus the morning-afternoon / presentation-workshop structure stays also in the track rooms, only the topic is fixed and contributors are organized by that thematic focus.

Tracks have track leaders, people who coordinate that track, both in the preparation phase (6-12 months prior to the conference) and during the conference. Track leaders also help the IEC presenter selection team select and curate the track. Track leaders

are main players in that specific field, thus they are also entitled to directly invite contributors to that track. You can get into a track if you are directly invited by a track leader, or if you simply apply to present and want to be on that track. In that case, check the track box on the application form.

IEC 2020 Track List

1. CIRCLING TRACK: curated by the Circling Europe team based in England and the Netherlands.
2. SHADOW TRACK: different approaches to dealing with individual and collective shadow and trauma, curated by the Swiss Integrales Leben circle.
3. U-LAB TRACK: This track will be curated by Anne-Marie Voorhoeve in collaboration with Otto Scharmer and his team from MIT. Otto Scharmer will be one of the keynotes at the IEC 2020 conference.
4. LEADERSHIP AND POWER SHIFT TRACK: This track will be curated by Christiane Seuhs-Schöllner from Austria.
5. SHAMANISM AND NATURE TRACK: This track will be curated by Chris Hoerée.

V APPLICATION CATEGORIES IN DETAIL

1. PRESENTATION

1/A) ACADEMIC PRESENTATIONS

Theory, research, criticism - presentation and paper

For academic presentations we invite integrally informed scientists and researchers from all faculties to apply for academic presentations and submit academic papers. The Integral European Conference has developed the Academic & Research Forum for 2020 to strengthen scientific presence and to promote academic and research collaboration between Integral practitioners, theorists, and researchers. To accomplish this we are building an International Consortium of Integral Scholars (The Consortium).

We invite integrally informed academics and researchers from all disciplines and also current Consortium Forum members to submit academic proposals for a 20-minute TED-Style presentation. We are open to contributions from various integral models / integrative approaches / metatheories, but we will give preference to contributions with a clear reference and understand of AQAL.

Our Intention for the Academic & Research Forum

Our intentions are:

- (1) to develop more formal academic presentations that take a deeper dive into the complexity and metrics of Integral Theory.
- (2) To help articulate and promote the role of the scientific method in the greater integral community.
- (3) For Integral Theory to take root and gain acceptance in more mainstream institutional settings and discourses.

Topics may cover

- a theoretical contribution to integral models/ integrative approaches / grand theories for guiding research inquiries
- research on practical application of integral models in diverse fields of practice (e.g. ecology, business, psychology, etc.)
- entirely theoretical contributions, expansions, comparisons
- constructive criticisms of Ken Wilber's AQAL model

Preferences

In our selection process for this track we generally prefer:

- papers / lectures that are associated with solid research findings
- theoretical presentations, well thought-out and building upon existing theory
- contributors with doctoral or master's level training
- "AQAL-fluent" over "AQAL non-fluent" contributions

In the Academic & Research Forum we are seeking proposals and presenters that are

- intellectually stimulating and challenging
- of practical relevance in terms of application
- open for discussion and intellectual discourse in public debate

If accepted, your presentation will be one of three presentations from the Academic or General Track about the same topic. Please check off all topics where your presentation would fit, see your contribution in the larger context, and remain open for new emergence. The dialogue is not a Q&A, so you should allow for that within your 20 minutes or create opportunities for Q&A during the breaks.

Academic Committee International Consortium of Integral Scholars

In addition to the International Consortium of Integral Scholars, the Academic & Research Forum is undergoing an expansion of the Academic Committee that selects both the Best Paper Awards & Honorable Mentions you have seen in the past. If you are academically qualified in peer review processes and would like to

help ensure the high quality of papers submitted to the conference, we invite you to join the Academic Committee for IEC 2020. Please send an e-mail with your curriculum vitae and other documentations supporting your qualifications for this task.

*If you have interest and are qualified to join the International Consortium of Integral Scholars, contact the Chairperson, DrTomHabib@gmail.com.

1/B GENERAL PRESENTATIONS

Theoretical and practical applications, no-paper

Apart from the Academic track and its Call for Papers, we invite practitioners from all over Europe and beyond to apply for our General Presentation Track. Here applicants are not asked to write a scientific paper (though they may), but to apply for a 20-minute TedEx style presentation within a thematic section.

Topics may cover:

- Practical applications of the integral model in diverse fields of practice - in psychology, psychotherapy, spirituality, medicine, health, organizations, leadership, coaching, politics, business, technology, refugee and migrant issues, etc.
- Presentation on ecological situations and integral solutions
- Social commentary and analysis of current European/world issues

We expect that contributors have sufficient understanding of key integral concepts to locate their topic within AQAL. It is preferable but not necessary to use the terminology in your presentation, but you need to understand how your topic fits within the integral movement.

Preferences

In our selection process for this track we will generally prefer:

- practical over theoretical
- “AQAL-fluent” over “AQAL non-fluent” contributions

In the General Presentations Track we aim for contributions and presenters that are

- intellectually stimulating
- of practical relevance in terms of application
- fun and entertaining in terms of presentation

Engaging the audience by switching presentation modes, using exercises, vivid stories, and personal accounts is encouraged. Please make conscious use of the I, We, and It dimensions of the situation.

2. WORKSHOP

Facilitating experiential workshops and transformational spaces

We invite you not only to think together with fellow integralists in presentation formats but also to get into practice in workshops and experience transformational processes in we-spaces and group practices.

Your workshop offering can include

- joyful experiential exercises with laughter and fun
- deeply touching processes that heal and transform
- group exercises, where people learn new skills about how to be together in new ways that are relevant to integral (centauric, teal, second-tier, yellow, third-tier, level 6, yellow, turquoise, all quadrants, etc.)
- psychotherapeutic processes for groups and individuals within the group
- constellation work
- spiritual practices
- any of these / combination of these/ similar experiential offerings that we haven't listed

Preferences

In our selection process for this track we will generally prefer:

- real experiential workshops over frontal presentations mislabeled as “workshop,” or mere 3rd person perspective theorizing devoid of 1st person exercises
- exercises that involve deep attention, genuine connection between participants, sharing their interiors, giving feedback to each other, using nonverbal elements - may it be movements, breathing, sound, music
- experienced therapists, healers, workshop and group leaders with years of practice
- people who can touch souls, shift the atmosphere, put people into higher / deeper states, induce authenticity, opening, healing, love, presence and celebration of life - any of these or combinations of these. We want you to make sure people leave the room differently from when they walked in.
- people who can consciously link and explain their work in integral terms - but not just as a vague reference or mere marketing strategy - rather as genuine integralists who “know what they do.” We strongly prefer people who understand how their exercise is embodying and manifesting a given integral principle or concept, thereby marrying territory and map.

You are welcome to bring in known approaches or new approaches that you have developed - or a combination of different methods that you have merged into a fresh new approach, or a groundbreaking new practice. We expect you to be able to relate the practice you offer to integral models in a non-superficial way.

Workshop formats

You can apply for two different workshop formats, long and short. The short format is 60-75 minutes for lighter and more introductory workshops. The long format is 2.5 hours as a special container for deep group work to occur. The number of slots available for workshops is limited, you might apply for a general presentations as well.

Pre-conference Workshops

Pre-conference workshop slots (half day and full day versions) on Tuesday and Wednesday are given to both famous, experienced therapists and also to some applicants who did not qualify for the main conference. Please don't forget to tick the box if you would prefer to be in the pre-conference period, and also if you are not available during that time.

3. MORNING PRACTICE

Before breakfast, you are invited to offer meditation, yoga, Tai chi, bodywork, chanting, or any other technique suitable for a maximum one-hour morning practice. These can take place in one of the section rooms or outdoors in the garden, at the lake shore, or even in the lake!

4. ARTISTIC OFFERING

Paintings, music, dance, poetry, etc.

Art is more than just decoration or design. If it is well done, it can be a powerful gateway for transforming our consciousness, transmitting the state of consciousness of the skilled artist, challenging our identity, opening up new horizons, or confronting us with the immediacy of our subjective experience. If you are an advanced practitioner of any major art form, we encourage you to bring your contributions in the form of paintings, photos, or sculptures (for an art exhibition at IEC), as well as other contributions such as performance art or music (for community activities) or other means of aesthetic expression. We will consider all incoming contributions and see what we can accommodate in terms of space and time. Let's find out and enjoy how integral consciousness expresses itself in the aesthetic dimension. We are curious what you will bring to the table.

Note: Due to budget limitations, we are not able to cover any costs for transportation of artworks / instruments, so we encourage you to seek alternative ways of funding.

Visual Art: Integral Art Gallery

We want to encourage you to co-create an integral art gallery with fellow integral artists and us. Former IEC exhibitors, English-Tobagonian and French-Canadian artists Jennifer Baird and Gaia Orion, will facilitate the art gallery set up and will contact you if you apply.

Music, Dance, and Poetry: „Open Mic” Integral Community Jam

There are usually one or two „Open Mic” Integral community jam sessions during an IEC, either on the beautiful evening of the Gulyás (Goulash) party around a bonfire, or at the Gala Dinner on Sunday. Come and show your musical side whether you are a professional or an amateur enthusiast.

Instruments: We also invite you to play the guitar, violin, flute, rattles, hand drums, or any other instrument you might bring. At previous IECs, both the Gulyás Party and the Gala Dinner on the final evening became amazing, spontaneous, open mic stage shows and drumming circle tribal events that exceeded any expectations of organizers and participants. Please indicate if you are willing and able to play and become part of IEC’s musical world.

Dance Performance and Poetry: So far, the conference format has only allowed for workshops and communal dance events, even though there are often many professional and evolutionary dancers and poets amongst the presenters and the audience. If you have been to IEC at Hotel Azur before and are familiar with the schedule and the premises, we welcome your ideas on how to fit such performances into the overall design, to enhance and enable spontaneous emergence.

5. POSTER

Present your work in the form of a poster.

The IEC will feature a constant poster exhibition in the lobby. This is a great way for you to be present with your work and one poster slot is free for each applicant (even if you do not get a presentation slot), as long as the topic meets our requirements. Posters can be handed in independently or parallel to your contributions for any of the other tracks. The first two evenings are free for mingling and networking, and the creators of a poster usually stand next to it to be available for questions and discussion of their topic.

Poster Size and How to Print It

IEC venues have portable wooden paravans that serve well for vertical (portrait) posters in A0, or two horizontal ones in A1, or a collage of smaller elements. If you need more space, you can apply for a promotional table. It is not necessary in your application to send us the actual poster. But you need to apply for poster presentation, so that we know about your poster and its content. Please

bring it with you or arrange for it to be printed at the local copy shop at info@integraleuropeanconference.com.

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VI. GENERAL SUBMISSION GUIDELINES AND DATES

General Submission Guidelines, Dates, and Information

Please note: the following instructions apply for all of the above-mentioned applications types and contributions.

How to apply: Online application form

Please use the online application form on our website. We are processing around 400 applications which we are able to do only through the unified standard application form online. Don't send applications via email -- we will at best send it back to you or simply disregard it. On the other hand, should any question or issue arise during the online application process, feel free to write and ask us at info@integraleuropeanconference.com.

Deadlines

Please send in your application by the 30th of September, 2019. Later submissions may be reviewed but the likelihood of admission drops by 75% after the deadline, since available slots will likely be taken. The deadline for handing in papers in the academic track after your contribution has been accepted is the 31st of December, 2019. If you apply in the academic track and have already produced a paper, you are invited to send it in along with your formal application.

Notification

Notification of acceptance (or rejection) will occur at the latest by the end of November 2019 and as soon as possible after a late submission.

Terms and conditions for presenters

All accepted presenters will enjoy a certain percent reduction from the general conference participation fee, depending on the slot the applicant is given. He or she will get a certain percentage of reduction on the conference fee, but not on food or accommodation costs. Slots will be allocated after reviewing all the incoming applications and creating the grand puzzle of room/presenter/slot allocations. Each presenter will be notified via email.

Registering for the conference

All applicants are required to register for the conference separately through our webshop when registration opens, around October / November 2019 – watch the newsletter, [sign up here \(https://integraleuropeanconference.com/join-us\)](https://integraleuropeanconference.com/join-us). In other words, if we accept you as a presenter but you haven't yet registered, you need to go to our webshop and register there.

Since a successful application may lead to a reduction on the conference fee later (after the review process is concluded), you might register after you have been notified of acceptance. If you register before then you will pay the normal fee, and if you are accepted we will transfer back the difference. We suggest you register as soon as possible to secure your hotel room and food. Often the hotel is sold out as the event nears, and only off-site lodging options may remain.

IEC Awards for best contributions

By submitting your academic papers and bringing a poster you also get the chance to win an award for the best contribution. Winners will be announced on stage during the IEC Awards Ceremony.

Audio and / or video recording

By handing in your proposal, you automatically agree to grant us the right to document your contribution by photo, video, or audio. If you don't want your presentation to be recorded, please let us know when you hand in your proposal. By applying you also grant us the right to share and distribute any of the texts, images, or slides you use for your contribution.

Marketing

Since this is in our mutual best interest, all contributors are expected to reach out to their networks and actively support the marketing efforts of IEC 2020 in order to get the word out. Our marketing team will contact you with the respective material and requests. You can also download material like banners from our website. We thank you for your enthusiastic cooperation toward a more conscious, integral world!

Questions

Please send any questions you might have to info@integraleuropeanconference.com.

We hope you join us in 2020 for the Global Integral Awakens conference. See you soon at Lake Balaton in May!

Bence, Örs, Hanna, Symi, Peter and fellow IEC team members

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