

Da Zi Bao

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The "New Paradigm"

The much needed for the planet "New Ethics" is primarily "respecting ethics".

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Michael Scoullos, Elliniki Etairia, GREECE

Green Co-operation

Our popular library acts as the only green clearinghouse in South America, at the services of a large movement. Oscar Redondo, Biblioteca 12 de Octubre, Arengreen 1187, 1405 Buenos Aires, Argentina. #254
Oscar Redondo, Biblioteca 12 de Octubre, Argentina

River Pollution

My concern has been for the population of river Yamuna, sanitation and sewage disposal systems of Delhi. I would like to meet anyone working on the water problem. #255
Mukul Priyadarshini, INDIA

Sailship to Rio

Public statement against flying. One way ticket, other way by plane. Sailing 4-5 weeks, mass drum session near the global forum: 40 drummers invited on board to be joined by hundreds of Brazilian drummers in Rio. Fill in now free form for more information at the Europe desk. #256
August Dirks, Azart, Netherlands

Beyond GATT

While we organize for UNCED, the industrialized countries are planning the "new world order" based on an expanded GATT that would limit environmental and development policies to ensure unregulated transnational corporate growth. Let's use the negotiation of this super GATT, officially referred to as a new "Multilateral Trade Organization" (MTO) to protect and promote environmental and sustainable development instead. Make sure your country's UNCED negotiators understand that GATT will counteract UNCED and the MTO is coming. #257

Kristin Dawkins, Institute for Agriculture and Trade Policy, USA

Help us. Redress before Victims Die!

We have been struggling in court trials in quest of compensation for the health damage caused by air pollution. The Japanese government has EASED environmental standards against the victims' cry. Many patients are getting aged. "Redness before they die". Send us your letter of encouragement to Kimio Moriwaki, Japan Air Pollution Victims Association, Japan. #258

Kimio Moriwaki, The Japan Air Pollution Victims Association, JAPAN

Earth Summit Watch

Heads of state should attend the Earth summit. Help us keep track or your head of state's commitment to go to Rio. Send information to: Earth Summit Watch, c/o David Christensen, N.R.D.C., 1350 New York Ave., N.W. 300, Washington D.C. 20005-4705, USA, Econet:NRDCDC #259
David Christensen, CAPE '92, USA

Int'l Bank For Community Initiatives

Green Forum Philippines would like to communicate with other NGOs on initiating the formation of a bank for community initiatives in sustainable development. Unless NGOs think about and establish new institutions that empower communities, our effectiveness for real change will be in doubt. Address: 3/F Liberty Bldg., Pasay Rd. Makati, Manila, Philippines, Fax: 8183207 #260
Philip Camara, Foundation for Community Organisation & Management Tech., PHILIPPINES

Our Common Future???

So much time and effort has been spent talking about who's from the North and who's from the South. When do we finally get rid of our biases and start working as one global NGO! #261
David de Vera, Philip. Association for Intercultural Development, PHILIPPINES

The Atheist Centre

The Atheist Centre of India, founded in 1940, developed a new value system based upon a secular outlook. Removal of untouchability, dispelling superstitions, witchcraft and sorcery, educational programs, counselling, family planning, secular social work are on the Centre's Agenda, among others. #262
Goparaju Vijayam, Arthik Samata Mandal, INDIA

Come out of the Shell of Elitism

In this age of democracy, it is the voice of the common people that would ultimately reflect in changing the course of governments, rules and regulations, aptitudes and attitudes. Hence how we reach these dumb millions is of paramount significance. Environment should come out of the shell of elitism and should become a source of strength for the common people to motivate them to react and act to the problems. #263
Goparaju Vijayam, Arthik Samata Mandal, INDIA

Announcement/Attention Please

Ansar Burney Welfare Trust Pakistan is working for the release and rehabilitation of the illegally and unlawfully confined prisoners and mental patients through out the globe and also working to trace out the missing and kidnapped children and hand them over to their parents. if any NGO or governmental organization is interested or needs more information about prisons/prisoners and mental asylums in Pakistan or is interested to help us please contact Ansar Burney Welfare Trust, S. united Plaza, Blue Area, Islamabad, Pakistan. #264

Ansar Burney, Ansar Burney Welfare Trust, PAKISTAN

Attention Please

If you have any ideas/suggestions to stop the torture against children, specially to stop the rape of girls/children through out the globe please write or contact Mrs Shaheen Burney, 5 United Plaza, Blue Area, Islamabad, Pakistan or at 6 Hassan Manzil, Arambagh Road, Karachi, Pakistan #265
Shaheen Burney, Ansar Burney Welfare Trust, Pakistan

Decline Disneylands

World Expositions, huge international fairs and sports events reflect outdated values and are a threat to the organic development of our cities. If NGOs of these supported each other we could save our towns more effectively. We propose to hold a workshop on this issue. Please contact Ms Judit Halajz, Auberge d'Artagnan #266
Judit Halajz, La Leche, Hungary

Mobilisation of General Public

Amendment proposed to Agenda Wananchi. "We as NGOs commit ourselves to the mass mobilisation of the general public in demanding that our governments act in Rio and afterwards in line with this Agenda. NGOs acting alone will produce only limited change." #267
Tony Dolan, COMLAMH, IRELAND

Declaration of Interdependence

All living beings are interdependent ... Just as physics has taught us that all creation is energy and matter interacting in an elegant dance of life, biology informs us that biological and cultural diversity are the foundation of stability ... Certain biological principles, ecologically based and morally inspired, must become fundamental elements of a new politics hope. #268
David Suzuki, (submitted by D.F. Murphy CUSO), Canada

Venezuela

José Moya, general co-ordinator of Federation of Venezuela Ambients Organisations and councils: "forja de Venezuela" Direction: Residencias Paraguachi. Edipicio 17, N 207, U.D. 3 Caricuaco, Caracas, Venezuela #269
José Mora, *Forja of Venezuela, Venezuela*

Public Awareness is Only the First Step

It is not enough to raise public awareness on environmental problems. We have a duty to strengthen the willingness and ability of people to act and react participating positively in changing the modes of production and consumption and our approach to the basic of life. #270

Michael Scoullos, Elliniki Etairia, GREECE

Feminism

I am concerned that some declarations in the Women's Agenda imply a push for forced androgyny, destruction of native cultural roles for women (what we wish to preserve), and put more emphasis on sex quotas than quality ideas. (I am a women, also) #271

Leslee Kulba, Citizen Action Alliance, USA

Green Pentathlon

Green pentathlon maybe an important part of our roots of future. we organize thousands of Hungarian children to pass the last two days of the week with excursions, running, plays and gymnastics in the forest. #272

Miha 'ly Nemessuki, Life Culture Club, Hungary

Environmental Education

You own small earth? In Holland 20 years ago a project started to show concrete alternatives for an ecological lifestyle: it is the small earth, 2 ha exhibition area. if you are interested to start a similar educational centre, we might be of help with our good experiences, the basic financing etc... #273

Jan Juffermans, The Small Earth, Netherlands

The Prices/Organic Farming

False competition. After 20 years bottom of development and promotion of organic farming in Holland. We stress the fact of false competition between polluting agricultural products and organic products. A dutch report learned that with true prices the organic products will be cheaper for the customer and the society. True prices include social and environmental costs. #274

Jan Juffermans, The Small Earth, Netherlands

Land Use or Overuse by the Rich

Land use redistribution. Land redistribution is not enough! Look who is using most of the export products: the ships and planes go to the rich countries who have very rich soils themselves. So also land use redistribution is an issue. The rich are using most of the fertile land of the earth and pay to low prices. For example for fodder, for meat. #275

Jan Juffermans, The Small Earth, Netherlands

German Position Papers

Position papers by German NGOs on different UNCED related subjects (climate biodiversity, forests, resource use and international trade) can be obtained on request from Projektstelle UNCED, DNR/Bund, Königswinterer Str. 665, 5300 Bonn 3, FRG #276
Deutscher Naturschutrzring/ Bund FOE Deutschland, Germany

Environment

Nobody can change the environment without changing the minds of the global human beings and no environment can be change without providing the necessary necessities to the human beings specially food, health, cloth and shelter. Millions of people on the globe are hungry and without shelter. Please help Ansar Burney Welfare Trust Pakistan in providing the food and shelter with health to the needy people and in the changing of minds to change the environment. #277
Ansar Burney, Ansar Burney Welfare Trust, PAKISTAN

ENDA Directory

To the attention of NGOs of the North. To be in the "Directory of NGO of environment and development" 1992. You just have to register at the ENDA-Tiers Monde stand. #278

NGOs at PrepCom 4

Friday, 12.30 PM there will be an information session on NGOs at PrepCom 4, followed by an NGO strategy session for PrepCom 4 activists. Salle C #279

Our Common Double standards

Why isn't all the paper here recycled and unbleached? Why are we eating with plastic cups, plates, forks and knives? What sort of roots are these? #280

Danny Kennedy, Environmental Youth Alliance, Australia

Declaration of Interdependence

Economic activities that benefit the few while compromising the biological inheritance of many are inherently wrong. Environmental degradation is, in essence, an erosion of biological capital and the long value of the expenditure must be factored into any equations of economic development. #281
David Suzuki, (submitted by D.F. Murphy CUSO), Canada

UNCED destroys TFAP Reform

NGO attempts to reform the tropical forestry action plan, by insisting on popular participation in national forest policy planning, have been torpedoed by UNCED. A substantial consensus on new goals, objectives and structures for TAP, that would have secured NGO input and land rights have been blocked by FAO. Consequently the World Bank has refused to introduce the reforms as this might be interpreted as quite divisive in the context of ...UNCED. Result: Governments 1, people 0 #282

Marcus Colchester, World Rainforest Movement, UK

Environmental Friendliness

(Reply to n 62)

So called "Environmentally Friendly" means of transport such as trains used to come to Paris depend upon nuclear power. What is "Environmental Friendliness"? - A term particularly open to abuse? #283
John Garlick, France

Tourism & Wasterful Lifestyles

Powerful business interests in Japan, Germany and Canada are exploring investments in tourism promoting in places of great natural and cultural beauty and peace in Asia, Africa, Latin America. Northern voluntary organisations should monitor and expose this imposition of wasteful lifestyles on local communities. #284

Kishore Sant, Ubeshwar Vikas Mandal (UVM), INDIA

Comments on Da Zi Bao

Da Zi Bao is a great idea. But let participants of the conference help you to do the typing by setting up some computers for use by everybody. Put in constraints for the number of characters that can be put in to keep the messages short. People who do not know how to type can get help from the marvelous Da Zi Bao assistants. #285
Arno Behlau, BUND, GERMANY