WORLD GOETHEANUM FORUM 2025

RE-FEEL RE-DO SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

SAVE THE DATE 24-28 SEPTEMBER 2025 SEKEM EGYPT

Photo: Greening the Desert, SEKEM

YOU ARE INVITED AS AN ACTOR, STAKEHOLDER, (POLICY)MAKER, THINKER, FEELER, AND DOER TO:

RE-THINK RE-FEEL RE-DO SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

DURING OUR 2025 WORLD GOETHEANUM FORUM IN SEKEM, EGYPT

Not a "nice to have": Sustainable Development is not merely a "nice to have" or a directive to report on; it shapes the very backbone of our future global society. Cultivating development is humanity's contribution to the Earth and our common future. After 40 years of its institutionalised existence, it is clear that Sustainable Development itself is in need of an upgrade and expansion: to re-think, re-feel, and re-do it.

World-Viewing, -Sensing, -Acting: There is a call to integrate inner and outer practices and actions for transformation. We need to identify the worldviews behind our attitudes and behaviours in order to provoke life-affirming actions: aligning our world-viewing, world-sensing, and world-acting.

Visioning, Researching, Prototyping, Scaling, and Mainstreaming are the process steps drawn from SEKEM's 48 years of Sustainable Development experience. These steps will guide the content and help establish concrete new common ground.

Anthroposophical Approaches & Beyond:

For over 100 years, anthroposophical enterprises and initiatives have contributed to Sustainable Development through experimental and holistic approaches. For instance, the world's first established organic agriculture method, known as Biodynamic Agriculture, was introduced in 1924, followed by the Demeter organic certification from 1928 onwards. Other enterprises such as SEKEM, Weleda, Eosta, Alnatura, Odin, WALA, Dr. Hauschka, Sonett, Voelkel, GLS Bank, Monte Azul, and more have followed.

SEKEM, 24–28 September 2025:

At this year's World Goetheanum Forum, we invite you to re-think, re-feel, and re-do Sustainable Development in **SEKEM, UNEP's Champion of the Earth 2024**. We aim to fuse practices and cultivate the required capacities — both individual and collective — that serve all forms of life. How do you think, feel, and do Sustainable Development? How can we enable a culture of care across sectors, places, cultures, and scales? What are the next steps for it to become tangible and meaningfully adapted to respective contexts? And how can we improve collaborative and associative efforts?

Looking forward to welcoming you in SEKEM, on behalf of the preparation group,

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Research Institute of Organic Agriculture (FiBL) *Lin Bautze*

The Club of Rome Till Kellerhof

World Ethic Forum Luea Ritter and Linard Bardill

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THE **PROGRAMME** SKETCH WHAT TO **EXPECT**

SEPTEMA **FORUM**

SEPTEM

FORUM **START**

25 EXPLORING GREENING THE DESERT AND 48 YEARS OF SUSTAINABLE **DEVELOPMENT** as **UNEP** CHAMPION OF THE **EARTH 2024**

ARRIVAL DAY & WELCOME

ENVIRONMENTAL TRAVEL IMPACT

28 SEPTEMBER CLOSING BREAKFAST

& DEPARTURE

The environmental travel impact of this event will be minimised as much as possible by investing in SEKEM's Greening the Desert programme and Demeter Egypt's carbon credits for biodynamic smallholder farmers. These initiatives represent tangible and active contributions to offset greenhouse gas emissions. However, the inherent dissonance of environmental impact particularly for an event focused on sustainable development—remains a persistent challenge. Striking a balance between mitigation, adaptation, and fostering meaningful global encounters and collaboration continues to be an ongoing endeavour.

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