

Opening IEC 2025

Dear friends, fellow wayfarers, and stewards of the possible,

Welcome!

It is with great excitement and reverence that I stand here among you—not as a solitary voice, but as one note in the wider symphony that is this gathering.

And if, in some moments, I sound like I'm preaching to the choir—well, perhaps that's exactly the point.

Because this is no ordinary choir. This is a living field of inquiry, intelligence, love and power.

We have come together across languages, lineages, and lands to cohere around a deeper calling.

The theme we are exploring—Finding Wholeness for an Integral Age—resonates deeply with the arc of many of our lives. But let's begin here:

Wholeness is not a destination.



It is not something we will one day arrive at with enough effort, enlightenment, or expertise.

Wholeness is what we already are.

Wholeness is what life already is.

The work, if there is any, is to remember.

To remember that what we often interpret as fragmentation—the sense of separation, of deficiency, of something broken—that so often is seen as a problem to fix is in fact a deeper invitation. These experiences may reflect stories shaped by old structures and inherited metaphors.

But what if we see them as expressions of life itself—disruption, decay, and dissolution as natural parts of the cycle.

The invitation is not to avoid these states, but to meet them without clinging to the stories we tell about them.

To stay present with the full spectrum of life's emergence.

This is why we gather—to WAKE UP, GROW UP, CLEAN UP, SHOW UP, and to OPEN UP.



To turn toward wholeness with deeper awareness.

To sense it more fully, to participate in it more consciously, and to let it guide us into the living rhythm of being, doing, and becoming - as we meet ourselves, each other, the world, and the cosmos.

And here, within this rhythm, we are a collective presence. A fractal of the greater whole.

Each of us a portal, a pattern, a pulse within something vaster and tender. We are a

SOURCE-FIELD.

As this source-field our task is to hold life's complexity and paradox, to perceive and be moved by the harmonic and the dance of interdependence and interconnectedness.

To rest in the awareness that is both non-separate and deeply individuated.

To sense ourselves as source and participant, seer and seen, at once.

We're not here to solve the world. We are here to listen with it. To be moved by what it wants to become.



And as we attune together, we begin to feel that shared center of gravity—an orienting presence that draws us toward essence, coherence, and meaningful emergence.

This is the energy of Source, a relational field where clarity arises through collective availability to something greater than ourselves.

So, let us imagine this conference—this very moment—as a collective Source.

A space of attunement and transmission.

A sacred ecology of minds and hearts, sensing into the edges of what is next—for ourselves, our communities, our systems, and the ecologies we are nested in.

In this field, our presence is practice. Our dialogue is devotion. And our willingness to be, do, and become with each other—as we are, not as we wish to appear—becomes the soil from which the future can root.

It is this willingness, more than our credentials or ideas, that opens the space of wholeness.



Willingness to listen.

To not know.

To be seen and transformed.

To pause before we respond.

To let emergence guide coherence.

And yes, to hold all this complexity with lightness. With humor, even. Because transformation doesn't need to be solemn—it needs to be real.

Let me close with a whisper from the heart of my work:

It is not we who unify love and power.

It is love and power, already one, that unify us.

Let us meet there—in the life affirming rhythm of being, doing, becoming, held by love and power.

And let us remember: Wholeness is – and it is waiting to be lived

Thank you.