



You are invited to co-create the unaVision network of people, organizations and regions which facilitates a deep exchange of knowledge and experience to learn from each other and shape our sustainable future.

Gut Gorgast, near Berlin, Germany

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Many regions struggle with the situation they are in: Urbanization, economic and ecological problems, unemployment, land grabbing, missing infrastructures, bankruptcy, etc. Some regions have found solutions and approaches which helped them to improve their situation. We would like to invite you to share your experiences, to learn from each other and to form together the unaVision network.

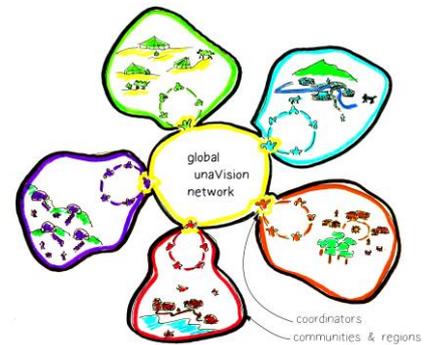
On December 9th - 12th we invite you to join a 3-day meeting working on the question: **How can we co-create a trustful and lively unaVision network in order to foster sustainable development of communities and regions?**

Objectives of the unaVision network

Offering learning activities and inviting others to join learning journeys, workshops, events and market them together

Exchanging knowledge and experiences about sustainable development, supporting each other in facilitating social change in our regions and communities (urban or rural)

Fostering social businesses and creating meaningful workplaces by co-developing products and services supporting the value creation in our regions (local handicrafts, agriculture, construction, education, health, technologies, etc.)



The venue

We have chosen a beautiful and calm location, the Gut Gorgast. This is a recently founded community house for living, working and learning in the region of Berlin. At the moment it is still under construction, but we can use several rooms under simple conditions.



Who we are looking for

- Are you involved in the field of regional development, sustainable, community-based tourism, non-formal education, social entrepreneurship and/or social change in your region?
- Do you care about your region and want to see people and their work flourishing?
- Do you want to connect to like-minded people, share your experiences, co-create social businesses with meaningful workplaces and by this supporting a social change in our world?

Than be part of co-creating the global unaVision network!

Activities and hosting of the meeting

The objectives of the meeting are to form a common dream and a framework of the network, to plan common activities and learning journeys for 2016 and to think about ways of financing projects. We plan to moderate the meeting with the method of the Art of Hosting and have invited Fanny to make the graphical documentation. The Art of Hosting stands for the way a meeting is designed. The opening: Giving the participants a warm welcome. Letting them arrive physically and also mentally. The Art of Hosting is harvesting the collective wisdom of the participants by using different methods, raising powerful questions and inviting the participants to tell their stories. During the meeting the results are collected by drawings, pictures, writings and movies. The meeting is closed by a reflecting session. Basic rule of the Art of Hosting is that every voice is heard.

Sociocracy

We would like to work with a sociocratic system in the unaVision network. This includes moderated circle talks, consent decision making (no one opposes decisions) and interlinked circle structures (regions and communities are represented in the general circle). To understand the sociocratic system we suggest you to look at the provided links and the pdf ([download here](#)). For a common learning process we would also like to offer trainings in the future.

The 4 M approach for learning journeys

- **M**ove physically and mentally, change your perspectives, open up!
- **M**eet people from different sectors, cultures and generations, learn from their knowledge, experience, wisdom and personal mastery
- **M**ake and co-develop products, services and systems, get new skills become creative, implement concepts, be a social entrepreneur and create new ventures who serve the people and society
- **M**ultiply and share your experiences and knowledge, tell your story, write articles, poetries, books, make drawings and films

Funding

We do not have any funding at the moment. We could apply for EU funding and we also have the idea of using a complementary currency (see links).



Cost & accommodation

We ask you for a contribution of 60 Euros per person for accommodation and food for the whole time of the meeting (breakfast, lunch, coffee, tea, fruits and snacks). You can sleep in shared rooms in the Gut Gorgast house. There is no general heating but we put mobile heating in the sleeping rooms. Please bring your own sleeping bag. Beds, warm water and shower are available. Otherwise you can rent a room in nearby B&Bs for 35 Euro single room per night or 25 Euro in double room per night.

Other logistics

Working time of the workshop is from 09:00 - 18:00 from Thursday to Saturday with a long lunch break (lunch will be provided by the hosting team). In the evening we suggest to go for dinner in the local restaurant or cook ourselves.

Registration

[Registration link](#)

Please present your project, organization, region and yourself during the workshop in 10 minutes - keep it short and beautiful.

Story



How did we come up with the idea to create the unaVision network? Let's take a step back and have a look at our history. Johannes was fed up with the way the world with its social-economic and educational systems was working. He started to go hiking, discovering his inner call, talking to philosophers, students, and business people of many regions sharing his thoughts and inviting them to join hiking dialogues and prototyping future concepts together. In 2012 the idea took a bigger step. Sarah and later Ursula and Jan joined the movement as a part of the coordination team. Together they created a bottom-up movement of like-minded people who went together on an inner and outer learning journey along the Danube region countries to find out what

they really, really want to do in their life, for themselves, but also for our society. More than 800 people from different cultures, generations and backgrounds participated in this journey. For sure this was a deep experience for all the participants. Surprisingly there was almost no one who had a clear answer to the question "What do you really, really want to do with your life?", but similar struggles and problems aroused: The high unemployment rate, the lack of collaboration and trust among people and initiatives and unfulfilled dreams... This is how the idea came up to create a global network of people and initiatives who support each other in facilitating a social change and developing flourishing regions with happy people, meaningful work places in harmony with nature. The idea of the unaVision network was born! Within the last years many talks with people like you from Germany, the Netherlands, Portugal, France, Spain, Albania, Kosovo, Ireland, England, Costa Rica, India, Sri Lanka, Israel, Egypt, Ethiopia and other countries from Eastern Europe showed us that there is a strong need to connect and to start forming a global network.

The Hosting team



Johannes is the founding father of unaVision, CEO of ThinkCamp, co-founder of several organizations and supporter of the Global Marshall Plan since its foundation. He is inspired by the ideas of social businesses, sustainable development, multicultural learning and project management. He has thirty years of experience in training and consulting many companies. He has a Master degree in strategic management from Emory University in Atlanta/USA, is a trainer and coach for hundreds of Six Sigma Black Belts, was an accessor for EFQM (European quality price) and thought for many years master students at the University of Salzburg/Austria. In 2010 he has co-founded the ThinkCamp non-profit cooperative.



Sarah has co-developed the concept of the unaVision learning journeys. She was part of the project team of the Danube learning journey 2013, the Vision Summit and 100 days lab in Macedonia and Kosovo 2014 and the Summer School in Kosovo 2015. Sarah studied Resource- and Environmental Management in Vienna at the University for Natural Resources and Life Sciences. She is passionate about people sharing their ideas, creativity and experiences in a trustful way. Sarah is a partner of the ThinkCamp non-profit cooperative.



Jan was born and raised in a small village in the Northern Part of the Netherlands. He played an active role in that village, region and province dealing with sustainability in small villages. He worked for 30 years in the Dutch Telecom company with jobs in training and management. He did a training of facilitating groups in 1985 and since then applied that knowledge in business but also in many volunteer environments. Together with Ursula he is applying the philosophy of Art of Hosting.



Ursula was born and raised in Germany. 1986 she moved to the island of Schiermonnikoog (National Park) where she was running a business in Tourism. Since 2010 she is doing projects in the region Waddensea, world heritage, around the Lauwersmeer (Northern part of the Netherland). She is involved in setting up several activities (Trek Festival, Lauwersland promotional tour) with the goal to support the cooperation of small regions. Together with Jan she was member of Cordera (College On the Regional Development of European Rural Areas), an exchange program between 6 European countries. In 2013 she participated in the Danube learning journey.

Interesting links

- Inspirational film about unaVision learning journeys: <https://vimeo.com/132515261#at=0>
- Local train and railway service Berlin/Brandenburg: <http://www.vbb.de>
- Sociocracy webpage of Austria: <http://www.soziokratie.at/> , the Netherlands: <http://www.sociocratie.nl/>
- The Art of Hosting <http://www.artofhosting.org/home/> (Art of Hosting Information)
- https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Complementary_currency (complimentary currency definition)
- <http://complementarycurrency.org/> (complimentary currency resource platform)
- <http://www.cyclos.org/> (suggestion for platform for complimentary currency)
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Q9rwwTHzXk> (complimentary currency)