



Extra info-sheet **DELEGATES**

IFA 2023 is now only three months away!

I am delighted you have received the second of our five monthly Newsletters. I hope you enjoyed the February Issue.

This **Delegates-extra** both gives a progress report and says what to look forward to in the coming months.

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The IFA2023 website:

The IFA 2023 website is up and running. We hope you have found it resourceful both for your role as an IFA 2023 delegate and generally as a member of the Federation. Please invite your community members as well to make it a habit to visit it regularly for updates. By the end of this month, there will be an additional page on it called Resource Gallery. It will contain various resources that can be inspirational to you and your community as we prepare for the IFA 2023. This page will have resources around:

- How to organize/manage spiritual spaces in our communities
- Creative/Music/fun stuff - e.g., flavour of music and dance around the federation.
- Life in our communities: how to animate activities; traditions, celebrations, meals etc.
- Formation videos e.g. tools of inclusion
- Assembly official documents e.g. proposed Mandate, Charter, reports etc
- Other resources like the delegates' guide

Pre-Assembly delegates program:

Communities are continuing to paint our L'Arche members Facebook page with yellow clothing: www.facebook.com/groups/larche.members/ with photos of IFA 2023 delegates' beautiful smiles, wearing all shades of yellow. Let's see how yellow we can get by the end of April.



L'Arche Kolkata





Inclusive Video conferencing

A big thank you to all the 20 pairs of delegates who participated in the 2-day formation sessions on inclusive Videoconferencing organized by Anne Chabert between 13th and 17th February.

If you missed this first phase. There will be two more sessions in April

17th - 18th April

07:00 to 11:30 UTC FR/EN

20th - 21st April

15.00 to 19:30 UTC - EN/ES

Please write us via

assembly2023@larche.org

indicating your preferred dates.

The zoom links will be sent to you a week before the formation.

We encourage those who have been trained to pass on the skills and knowledge they've learned to the other pairs of delegates in their small groups and to take the lead in organizing/facilitating small groups' monthly meetings/ activities.



Small group monthly meetings

- I hope by now you have been able to meet members of your small group Small groups. Find yours here: bit.ly/monthly-small-groups and held at least the first small group meeting.
- Each small group by now should be knowing their contact person. Please get to know who your contact person is and support them by heeding to their call. They will be inviting you to participate in either the small group monthly meetings or in a group activity. Be sure to have fun and make your voice heard in these small group.
- Please make your small group members your friends, learn and share as much as you can between and among yourselves.
- In your March meeting, we encourage you to share among yourselves what has worked for you in ensuring your whole community is involved in and remains interested in the IFA 2023 preparations activities.
- Remember to upload some photos of your small group or community activities onto the L'Arche Facebook members page www.facebook.com/groups/larche.members/



It was great meeting you all at our first delegates' big group meeting held on Wednesday the 22nd of last month. Your next delegates' big group meeting with IFA2023 planning team is planned for **Thursday the 27th of April**. For your convenience, we propose three different times and language options:

07:00 UTC - English

14:00 UTC - Spanish/English/French

21:00 UTC - Spanish/English/French

Kindly choose which time suits you.

bit.ly/delegates_april27



IFA 2023 Program

We hope by now you have been able to share the IFA program with your community:

bit.ly/program23



Monthly Newsletter Articles

Each month, we will be publishing a short article (100-words max) from two communities.

In March it was the turn of L'Arche Kilkenny (Ireland) and L'Arche Arnprior (Canada). In April, it could be your community! Please send us your article via: assembly2023@larche.org by 24th of every month.

Tell the world about your community or delegates! Here are some ideas: your community activities, as you prepare for the IFA 2023; your expectations; your experience as a delegate, your concerns, inspirations, reflections etc.

Please write your article inclusively as a pair. Pictures of you both with your yellow clothing are very welcome!



L'Arche Canada



L'Arche Haiti



L'Arche Egypt

April

things your delegate pair can do

- Receive the new proposed Charter and share it with your community with the help of your community consultation group on the Charter.
- Organize a meeting for your small group to share your experiences (see above).
- Upload the Assembly related activities of your communities on the L'Arche members Facebook page www.facebook.com/groups/larche.members/ or on the IFA 2023 website - Interactive forum that will be online from mid-April.

“ I WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU... ”

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REMEMBER

In all the activities before, during and after the IFA 2023, please take this special opportunity for us as members of the Federation to reconnect, discover and share the gifts in each of our communities, rekindle our links of solidarity and renew our Federation together.