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Who is the New Nomad?

- ♣ The New Nomad travels, thinks and feels beyond the boundaries of his or her own value systems *
 - *Value systems can be qualified by culture, ethnicity, belief system, or can be very personal..
- 4 The New Nomad is *empathic*, open and willing to learn. He wishes to grow as a human being by genuine exchange with others, also with those who think differently.
- ♣ The New Nomad lives and acts in such as way as to contribute to harmony and peace – to the best of his abilities.
- **The New Nomad endeavours to** *become conscious* of the values underlying his own actions by mutual exchange and inner reflection.

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What are values ?

Values are human qualities that further the development and the well-being of people.

> There can exist opposition and incongruence between the different values, such as the interests of:

> > the personal and the collective (groups of) individuals with clashing believes and views the long term and the short term still more ... ??

In our discussions we make space for such opposition and possible tensions. In practical implementation we attempt to choose the best possible way in the awareness that absolute perfection can be something to strive for, but will not easily be attained.

Fields of our Life

Values may pertain to different fields of life, like:



Universal Values - or natural values, or basic values of life that prevail at all times and everywhere.



Values that pertain to the meeting of **Cultures**, values that govern the give and take when cultures meet.



Personal values, that guide our individual behaviour



Values that underlie our social-political programming



The Values we treasure



Respect life – universal equality – personal interest should not prevail over the universal good – the connectedness of all and everything - treasure our planet, live, work, breath sustainability, collaborate, learn and share together - friendliness, openness, flexibility, generosity – you cannot NOT communicate - discover common values; move away from stereotypes - humanity is central – access to basic livelihood for everyone -

Do not use belief systems (e.g. religion/ideology) to kill life — 'integration' is both ways, no domination by one culture — do not be an 'island', integrate by learning language, customs, etc.- be open and curious — find your basic values in your 'roots'- cherish national pride, but find the good values to be proud of — try to understand another man's set of values and culture — they who come from far need to comply to the customs of the new environment — the immigrant must be able to remain himself — awareness of the historical development of the nation or ethnic group you belong to (there is good ánd bad) — do not speak in a hurtful manner about other groups of people (e.g. ethnic, national, gender,..) -





Do not discriminate others on superficial grounds – empathy –awareness of your own prejudices – define your identity in function of a better world, that is: 'how can I contribute to a better world?' –have positive dreams and ideals – respect the space of others – communicate better – courtesy and care – put your positive dreams into action, be the change you want to see in the world –

Stop executions and torture – democracy – separation state and religion, trias politica – freedom of speech – own (national) interest should not prevail, but put common good first – allow critical dialogue – less dependence on dictates of capital interests – participative society (voluntarily, not forced) – awareness of your nation's history (and value it according to true values) – no biased focus on economic growth, humanity should be first priority – awareness of global impact on natural environment by human behavior – control on (interests of) weapons'industry, war is not an option – solve conflicts by open exchange -

