

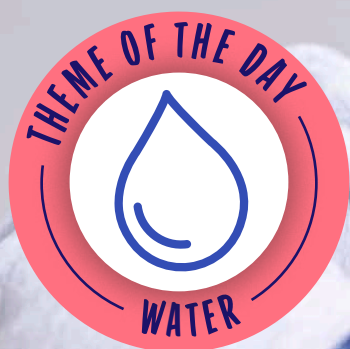


INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION ASSEMBLY

DAILY NEWSLETTER

DAY TWO | Water Edition

The things we make...



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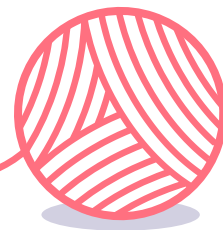
Behind the Scenes |

...together

Each Voice

Every Community

IFA 2023 | Charting a new course



Jasper Keus

Coordinator

IFA2023

Dear Community members:

A new Charter! L'Arche now has a new Charter!

After 3 years of beads, and listening, speaking, sharing, L'Arche has taken a massive and confident step into deciding its future.

In the words of a community member from Namur, Belgium, "we need to revive the value of L'Arche - give it a new meaning. We need to share our story."

As all our communities are busy living the Assembly in their homes and cities, we have two great news stories for you!

Remember we talked about Gerson and Alejandra from Honduras yesterday, who are competing in the Special Olympics in Germany? Well they did it! They won the Bronze medal in the Bocce team event!

Congratulations.

FEDERATION FRINGE



By now you all know Nick Herd, artist and daily video presenter at the Federation Assembly:

vimeo.com/838114013

Well Nick was in New York city last week to represent L'Arche at a United Nations international Conference.

Here is a link to an article he wrote for UN News, the media agency of the United Nations!

bit.ly/nick_UN

PHOTO CREDIT: © L'Arche/Warren Pot Nick Herd in the UN General Assembly Hall.

Every day, we highlight our Federation Assembly events as well as the glowing conversations and exchanges happening on our platforms.

CHARTING Success!

Well dear friends and members of the L'Arche Federation, it is official, the results for the Charter vote are in, with a resounding 97% of voters saying YES to it.



Below is the link to the Charter of L'Arche, which we can now all integrate into our daily lives, and communications.

The purpose of the Charter is to express all that unites us in our great diversity. It is a map, helping us all go forward as a Federation.

bit.ly/IFA_resources



Quotes from calls with the delegates discussing our Story:

L'Arche Kenya:

For us what is most important is the mission of L'Arche: That people with disabilities are accepted for who they are.

L'Arche Fribourg

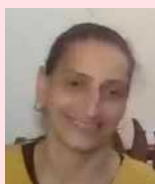
Jean Vanier was the founder of L'Arche, but not L'Arche in Fribourg.

Poland

At L'Arche we have the opportunity to give and take. People with disabilities should speak for themselves. There is nothing bad in being weak.

MEET OUR FRIENDS FROM L'ARCHE AL FULK, EGYPT

What has been striking for you in the IFA 2023?



Teresa: I loved the music, seeing people's faces gathered from all over the world; some familiar. The program was thoughtfully put together, the idea of celebrating the new probationary and confirmed communities was nice.

Mariam: It was great being there. The drama team did an excellent job introducing the theme of the assembly week: Earth, Water, Air and Fire. The dance from Kenya was lovely; I would have joined in if it were not for my back. It was nice that Stephan and Stacy could join from different parts of the world.



How was the preparation for the Assembly?

Shaker: We decorated our meeting hall and set up communication equipment. We created the assembly corner where put up flags and souvenir from different communities across the federation.



Meet Aurélie
... & Randall

Administrative Assistant

Aurélie has been administrative assistant at L'Arche since September 2022. French and Mauritian, she is passionate about cinema (she dreams of an Oscar in 2036!), adores her dog Randall and has a contagious laugh that resonates through the corridors!

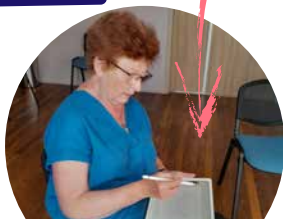


CAROLINE Communication Team

I adore the teamwork which goes on half the night so that the communities can receive their newsletter ASAP.

BEHIND the scenes

@ THE IFA 2023



ANNE Creative team

Desks and laptops everywhere – not just the normal rooms, but in the corridor – even on the stairs!



MATT Creative Team

It's all these small important parts coming together.

Over 100 watch the opening ceremony in La Ferme

What a pleasure to have experienced this physical encounter, which gave flesh to the beginning of the Assembly!

Seeing the faces, hearing the voices, hearing the different languages... We danced too! On Tuesday evening, we invite all members of the community to come and dance to the song sent by Stacy "Room at the table"

bit.ly/r_a_t_t

We want to weave the links, reweave the links, play with the ball of wool to continue connecting, reaching out.



On Saturday, we'll be Walking together differently with the Pierrefonds community, in solidarity with other communities who want to walk too.





CANADA



INDIA



UKRAINE



PALESTINE



FRANCE



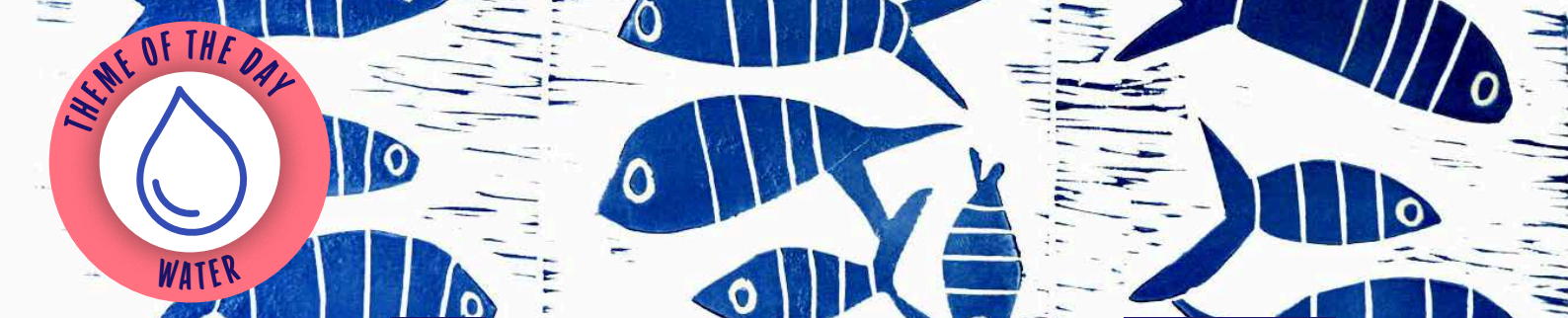
ARGENTINA



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HAITI



INDIA



SWITZERLAND



BETHLEHEM



GERMANY

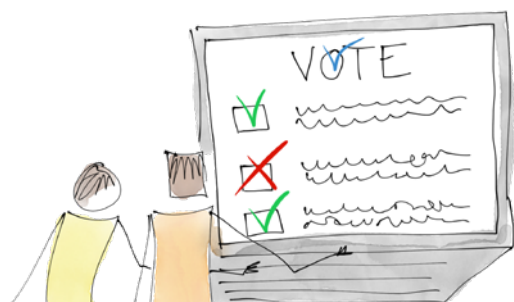


CANADA



ITALY

Vote results will be published the day after the vote closes.



Percentage of vote needed to pass	Voted YES %	Voted NO %	Voted %	Didn't vote %

Tuesday 20th 01.00-23.59 UTC

1	Vote on the Charter	Needs a 2/3 majority	288	9	178	22
			97%	3%	89%	11%

Wednesday 21st 01.00-23.59 UTC

2	Vote on Report of the International Leaders	Simple majority				
3	Vote on report of the ISB chair	Simple majority				
4	Vote on the Finance report	Simple majority				

Thursday 22nd 01.00-23.59 UTC

5	Vote on the Mandate	Simple majority				
6	Vote on the ISB Chair	Needs a 2/3 majority				
7	Vote on the ISB members	Simple majority				
8	Vote on the Transition plan	Simple majority				
9	Ratification of the Federation Council	Simple majority				

According to the Constitution of the International Federation of L'Arche Communities, each confirmed community has the right of one vote, which counts as two. Individual members (except pastoral ministers mandated by a country and Federation Council members) have the right to vote, it counts as one.