

Open Letter for **SOCIAL TRANSFORMATION**

We want to build a world that...

...will be a tangible expression of **Social Justice, Democracy** and **Sustainability**, with the **Common Good** at its heart.

A world where **justice and equality of opportunities are key values** in human relations and where groups who are vulnerable and invisible in the present system live in full dignity.

A world that does not define itself by the short-term needs of man, but that embraces **the whole planet and life** on earth in all its forms and diversity as its center.

A world where sustainability is a priority and **care for people and the planet commits us to sharing the commons with future generations.**

A world where a **multiplicity of knowledge** and perspectives on reality coexist, and where **diversity is not seen as an obstacle**, but as the underlying strength for social transformation.

A world where **economics is an ethical tool** that serves the ecosystem

A world open to **otherness, utopia and the criation of collective Alternatives.**

And to do this...

...we need processes of **social transformation** that question the dominant systems, paradigms and power relations and out of which will grow **alternative ways of thinking and acting**.

The way to social transformation is through **dialogue**, through the **joint reflection** on the challenges we face, and **questioning** our *praxis* and the causes and the real consequences of the choices we make.

Transforming our world means **mobilizing for action**, changing ourselves from within, **making ripples and ruptures** in the current system, believing that palliative approaches will never bear real fruit, but instead reproduce an unjust system. Social transformation is, after all, a different way of thinking through our **emancipation, which is framed by collective and shared processes**.

Social transformation is **neither a closed nor a linear process with a pre-ordained end**. On the contrary, it goes through several stages and is enriched by **diverse contributions**.

Education, learning and encountering diverse modes of knowledge are all essential for the promotion of individual and collective aspirations for change, preparing us for action. This way we realize there are alternatives, even when at first, the obstacles seem too great to overcome.

And so...

... we **challenge you to read, comment, rewrite and share this Open Letter**, as a starting point for collaboration and building new worlds together with a new sense of **global citizenship**.