

Earth Charter US

2009 NATIONAL MOMENTUM CONFERENCE

JUNE 19 – 21, 2009
BUTLER UNIVERSITY
INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA

Moving the Earth Charter from the table to a participatory process in the community.

What you always wanted to know about the Earth Charter, and more, will be answered at this exciting 3 day conference as you mingle with a diverse group of like minds from around the nation and the world.

Keynote Speakers:

Mirian Vilela, Executive Director of Earth Charter International
Professor at University For Peace, Costa Rica

Victor Phiri, National Coordinator
Workers Education Association of Zambia

Jan Roberts, Founder and President
Earth Charter U.S.

David Korten, Author and Lecturer
Co-founder and Board Chair of Yes! Magazine

The Momentum Conference will:

1. Demonstrate how Earth Charter principles create an ethical framework for sustainability.
2. Give participants information and skills to work for sustainability in their communities while remaining part of the global effort.
3. Create an Earth Community with its fullest interdependence in which all members, such as government, faith, business, and education communities can join together to create a global sustainable world.
4. Award min-grants for the most promising projects to come out of the conference.



Conference Workshops

Friday,
June 19th

- Orientation to the Earth Charter
- Youth Leadership Workshops
- Earth Scouts
- Social Justice and Action Orientation

Saturday,
June 20th

- Imagine Your Earth Charter Community
- From Vision to Skills and Knowledge
- Model for Change
- Community Engagement
- Developing Your Local Strategy

Sunday,
June 21st

- Networking
- Mini Grant Poster Presentation



Early Registration Begins
March 15, 2009
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PROGRAM AGENDA

EARTH CHARTER 101: What is the Earth Charter. What you always wanted to know about this document of fundamental principles for building a just, sustainable and peaceful global society.

LEARN how the Earth Charter principles create an ethical framework for sustainability.

EARTH SCOUTS – The Earth Scouts is one of the fastest growing initiatives that came out of the Earth Charter. Using the tenets of the Earth Charter, children and youth participants earn their badges while becoming empowered to make a positive difference in their homes, schools and communities. This initiative is becoming a well-liked outreach activity for college students to support.

IMAGINE YOUR EARTH CHARTER COMMUNITY: Using the World Café model, collective conversations between diverse groups will build upon ideas and insights for participants to effectively act on shared goals.

PLENARY PANEL: Real stories will be shared on how the Earth Charter has been integrated into education, town



Using the Earth Charter in the classroom, a message through music and cultural festivals

government, neighborhoods, and internationally.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT: Building a partner base. Expanding your circle of partnership around the vision. Developing partnerships.

DEVELOPING YOUR LOCAL STRATEGY: Components of a strategy. Develop a framework to take back and follow through upon returning home. Examining results in mini grant proposals.

Who Should Attend? – People of all ages and experience who share an affinity for the Earth Charter by virtue of their work for environmental protection, non-violence, economic and social justice, and government that is accessible and participatory.

PROGRAM AT A GLANCE

DAY 1 – FRIDAY, 6/19	
TIME	ACTIVITY
12:00 PM – 6:00 PM	On Site – Registration
Afternoon Activity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Youth Leadership Workshops ▪ Social justice and action orientation ▪ Earth Scouts – College Students' Project ▪ Orientation to Earth Charter 101 ▪ Afternoon Keynote Speaker: Victor Phiri, National Coordinator – Workers Education Association of Zambia
Evening Activity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Welcomes: Jan Roberts, Founder & President, Earth Charter U.S. ▪ Evening Keynote Speaker: David Korten – Co-founder and Board Chair of Yes! Magazine ▪ Cook out and Entertainment

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DAY 2 – SATURDAY, 6/20	
7:30 AM - 9:00 AM	Registration
9:00 AM – 9:30 AM	Welcoming Opening Session and Sessions Overview
9:30 AM – 10:00 AM	Keynote Speaker: Mirian Vilela, Executive Director of Earth Charter International
Session 1 10:15-11:30	World Café - “Imagine Your Earth Charter Community”
11:45-1:00	LUNCH Plenary Panel - How the Earth Charter has been integrated into: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Education ▪ Town government ▪ Neighborhoods ▪ International Countries and Cities
AFTERNOON SESSIONS – “From Vision to Skills & Knowledge”	
There will be 3 or 4 concurrent breakout sessions (depending on registration) for each time slot.	
Session 2 1:15 PM - 2:45PM	Models for Change Communication, strategies for influencing attitudes and change
Session 3 3:00 PM - 4:15 PM	Community Engagement Building on your and partners’ good ideas Expanding your circle of partnership around the vision EC partners are activists for justice, peace, accessible government, environment
Session 4 4:30 PM - 5:45 PM	Developing Your Local Strategy Components of a strategy. A facilitated work session to begin a framework to follow through after the conference. Some plans may result in mini grant proposals.
6:00 PM - 7:30 PM	Dinner on own
7:45 PM - 10:00 PM	Mini Grant Poster Session: Those who will apply for initial mini grants create project proposal posters
DAY 3 – SUNDAY, 6/21	
8:00 AM – 9:30 AM	Breakfast, networking, mini-grant posters presented
9:30 AM– 10:00 AM	Morning Greetings
10:00 AM – 11:30 AM	Closing Plenary: Celebrate Earth Community
12:00 PM	Conference Closes

Registration

Early Registration through March 31 st	\$100.00
After March 31 – Regular Registration	\$150.00
Late Registration after May 15 th	\$200.00
 Student Registration	 \$75.00
Late Student Registration	\$100.00

Registration covers the conference fee and some meals. On-campus overnight lodging is available at a deep discount.

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