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We started this Wheelbarrow-Walk to raise a newfound Awareness for the Earth. Our beautiful planet in the Universe that makes life possible. We want to feed the awareness that all that lives forms a cohesive whole. We are inter-beings and interconnected not only as humans but also with all our relations, the Earth.

Taking care of the Earth is taking care of our home and in in essence of ourselves and all our relations.

While walking with the Wheelbarrow full of bundles, filled with tablespoons of soil from all over the world we see the Spirit growing. People join in in their desire to make this change. Even the press is actively interested in the Wheelbarrow-Walk and publishes about this pilgrimage. The desire to take care of the Earth is gaining momentum with every step we take.

Lazare Eloundou Assomo, director of the World Heritage, welcomes us at UNESCO headquarters in Paris on the 5th of June 2022, Whitsunday.

The EU also cares and takes responsibility for the Earth and all Earthlings. The EU Green Deal is living proof of your desire and effort to realize a sustainable way of living, for a sustainable Future. We thank-you for all that you do.

In Varik at the Ferry house for the Earth we started a Crowd-FUNding in 2019 to free its land from the financial burden. 253 people donated money in order to pay off our loan at the bank. After having done this we transferred the ownership of the land to "Grond van Bestaan" which is a foundation which will never sell the land again. At the Ferry house we take good care of the land, each other and the property as a community.

You could say we follow in the footsteps of Satish Kumar. He suggested over 60 years ago that landowners would adopt an extra child, namely the Earth. When the person would die the Earth would receive her share of land as if she was one of the children. This led to over 1.500.000 hectares of land freed which is not privately owned anymore. It is common land of which the whole village takes care.

At the Ferry house we care for the Earth and are connected to a lot of initiatives and organizations who share the same goal and we all walk our individual path to arrive at the same desired destination. This network of organizations is growing fast and so is our impact. The organizations who are already inter-connected in this Pilgrimage for the Earth are:

Community Landtrust USA / Europe Access to Land Europe
Terre des Liens Land gift movement India

LentelandTerre-en-vueLand van OnsDe Landgenoten

Aardpeer Ecolise

Grondbeheer Grond van Bestaan

As a group of organizations we try to embody the change we want to see in the world. Our organizations are growing naturally and already take care of 10.000 ha in Europe. We want to inspire you to consider the Earth as a common. We are all of the Earth. The current way of thinking and acting has turned the Earth into an economic commodity.

Ownership has led to many conflicts and wars. We suggest you help create a new path for the Future. Let us set the Earth free again like the air we breathe. And let us just marvel in her beauty and take care of her. In the progress along this path we will create a healthy new natural balance not only for the Earth but especially for us as human beings and with that the Future for the generations to come.

Set the Earth free of ownership for the Future of Mankind.



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On the fifth of May two thousand twenty two

signed and handed over in the Berlaymont building, headquarters of the European Commission by

Henry Mentink

Ferry house For the Earth

Chairman of the UNO Foundation - Carrier of the Wheelbarrow

I want to live on this Earth splendor of winter freshness. With every step I enjoy the magical spectacle of the want everyone to see, feel and smell it. for the next season of bountiful harvest. Nature is so powerful, healing, beautiful and pure! Just as she is. Without judgment. If you spend enough time there, you will see the beauty in everything around you. Looking from the Ferry house, I am always deeply impressed by a beautiful old tree on the banks of the river Waal, frozen in time, patiently waiting for the spring sun to thaw it. What stories would this old rascal have to tell us? Who has he met? Here at the Ferry house in Varik we are committed to awakening exactly this, that curiosity, that sense of belonging, that depth in life and the world. We share a deeply felt realization that everything is Inter-Connected, a Cohesive Whole. Creatively we each write our own story in connection with ourselves, the other and the Earth.

