

## CONSCIOUSNESS CONVERSATIONS

A GLOBAL INITIATIVE SPANNING COUNTRIES AND PUBLIC SPACES TO BUILD

Interspersed Social, Cultural, and Transformative Spaces for Creative Well-Being



#### **CONCEPT AND HOST**

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## FOCUS ON CONSCIOUSNESS AS A DEEP-ENABLER THAT BRINGS SOCIAL CHANGE

Deeper Understanding OF LIFE & its Mind

**METAPHYSICAL** 

01

Edge of Health and WELLBEING

**HUMANITIES** 

02

Al, Metaverse and virtuality of THE REAL

**EMPATHETIC MIND** 

03

TO PRESENT CONSCIOUSNESS AS A CHANGE-MAKER IN PUBLIC SPACES AND CONNECT PEOPLE ACROSS DIVERSITIES

the edge of life . the edge of health . the edge of Al and Metaverse . the edge of imagination and virtuality the edge of diasporic and gender plurality . the edge of critical-thinking and life-skills the edge of planetary sustainability . the edge of self-discovery and enlightenment









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THE GOAL - CONNECT EXTRAORDINARY THINKERS, ARTISTS, PHILOSOPHERS, AI-TECHNOLOGISTS AND HEALERS FROM DIFFERENT NATIONS WITH GLOBAL COMMUNITIES TO DISCOVER CONSCIOUSNESS THROUGH CURATED. CONVERSATIONS

embracing diversities & pluralities across nations

To Create a Better Planetary Living



#### WHY CONSCIOUSNESS?

Definition Health Transcendence Causation Brain Mind Cognition

Consciousness is the final frontier to be known, experienced, recalled and imagined towards invoking dimensions of transcendences that can bring in change in the way we experience our life, connect with people, embrace diversities and pluralities, and finally bring in collective wellbeing. Consciousness is not only a metaphysical phenomenon, but has deep implications for neurological, psychological, business, environmental and various other social spaces that we co-create.

Elements Perception Experience Imagination Co-existence Purpose-discovery









#### WHY CONVERSATIONS?

Connectors Listening Sharing Empathising Tuning Bridging Knowing

The ability to converse, to dialogue, to simply talk to each other is the bedrock of the invididual, social, national, global, and planetary need to negotiate differences, diversities, and facilitate co-existence with positive strategies towards building individual health, community welfare, policy impact, and more importantly - to realise that we are not alone in the planet.

Purpose Experience Social Health Autonomy Sustainability









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# COLLABORATIONS AND CO-CREATIONS

Concept

Composition

BUILDING TOGETHER BY CONNECTING

Gender

Virtuality

While CONSCIOUSNESS CONVERSATIONS is a video podcast to begin with, along with its online sharing, the avenues of creating and sharing content with various visual sensories will be an innovative openended possibility for its partners, and participants. The collaboration enables networking, facilitaing, and connecting with the best minds from around the globe, for the first time through consciousness.

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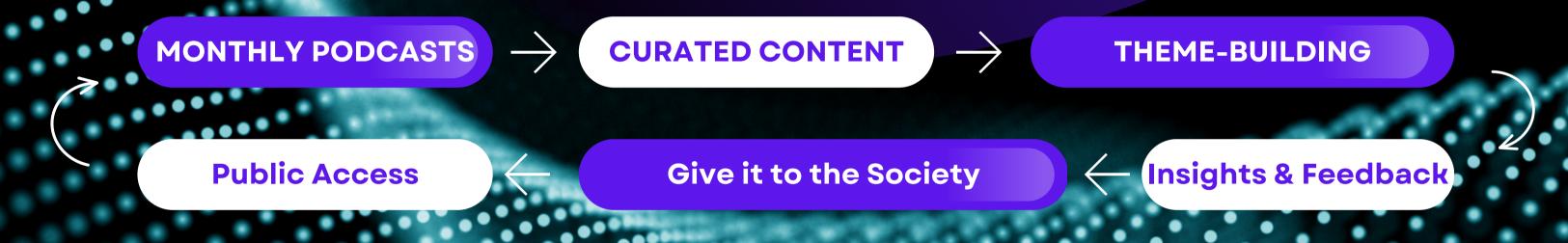






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#### HOW DOES IT WORK



HOW DOES
CONSCIOUSNESS
CONVERSATIONS
IMPACT SOCIETY?

This initiative is an innovative multidisciplinary experiment to invoke the need to co-exist as a population, and species on the planetary earth. By connecting to Consciousness through its markers such as health, imagination, empathy, autonomy, freedom, agency and transcendence a balancing act of sharing resources, creating equity, producing zero waste, and discovering possibilities, to bring in deeper change in the way we think as individuals, societies and nations.









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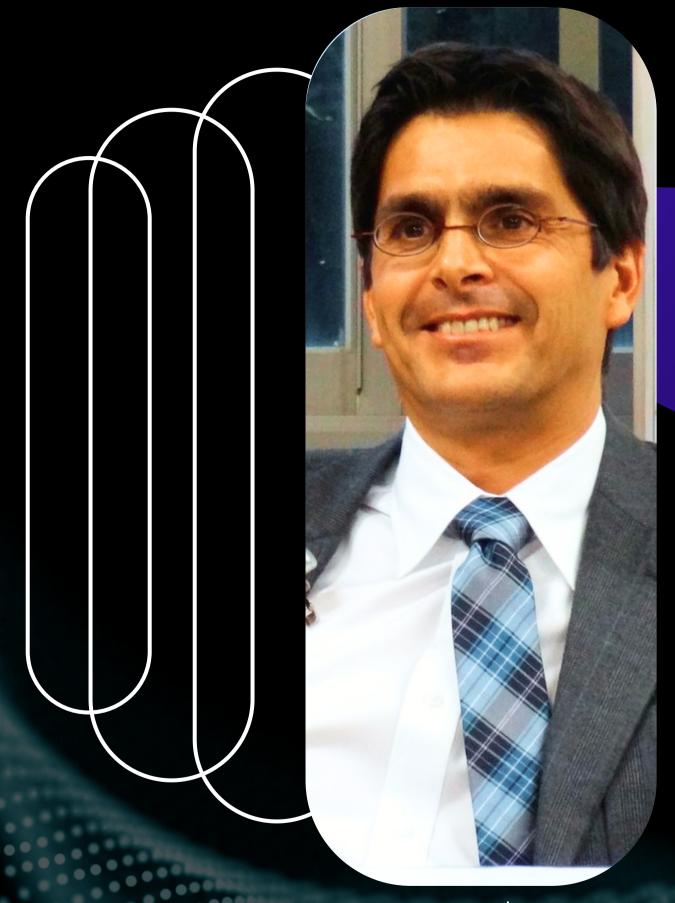


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# CONVERSATIONALISTS ~ JONARDON GANERI

Advocates an expanded role for cross-cultural methodologies in philosophical research, together with enhanced cultural diversity in the philosophical curriculum. Works on self, attention, consciousness, the epistemology of inquiry, the idea of philosophy as a practice and its relationship with literature, early modernity in South Asia, intellectual affinities between India, Greece and China.

Fellow of the British Academy, Recipient of the 2015 Infosys Prize in the Humanities.

Bimal K. Matilal Distinguished Professor of Philosophy University of Toronto







## CONVERSATIONALISTS

### ~ ALIYA GRIG

Tech entrepreneur - Space, AI, Neuroscience - to develop cutting-edge AGI architecture Believes that every one is capable of bringing the future closer: through space exploration, but also through developing the physical and mental sides of our personalities, expanding the usual way of thinking by pushing ourselves beyond the standard perception of reality. Her projects - the Evolwe, Cosmos City, the First space city EFIR are inspired by space, human development and sustainable technologies and aim to bring the Cosmos closer to us all. Her mission is to inspire people to make changes in their lives, to shift mental and geographical borders.

Founder of Evolwe AI - a deep tech company, creating the first empathetic and conscious AI for human like interactions and personalized experiences

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# CONVERSATIONALISTS ~ KATHIRASAN S

Bassist and vocalist of RUDRA, developed the Mindfulness-Based Wellbeing Enhancement (MBWE) program

Founder and Managing Director of the Centre for Mindfulness, Founding Partner of Positive Performance Consulting. SINGAPORE

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# HOST AND MODERATOR ~ SANGEETHA MENON

An artist, a philospher and an academic with interdisciplinary research in consciousness studies that goes beyond disciplinary abstractions. To bring together critical thinking, imagination, empathy and social good in one space with better inclusion of diversiites.

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