

Notes from Planning the Future Together portion of the Mexico Trainer's Forum 2018

- 1) Having local trainers much more involved in planning the forum next year. 1st meeting in 1 month. There are 3 parts to this role:
 - Logistics
 - Agenda
 - Find translatorsVolunteers; Janmeet, Gyan Kaur, Jai Hari Singh
- 2) Group phone call for trainers in Mexico, every 3 or 4 months. Not a requirement, but an invitation to keep the conversation going. Anyone interested? 6 or 7 were.
- 3) A separate call for just lead trainers? Yes, they are interested
- 4) The date for next year's forum will be figured out next month
- 5) Level 3 Mela in South America in 2019 or 2020. Would the attendees here like to attend one in S.A., or in Mexico? About 9 or 10 people here are interested in doing it in S.A. Who from here would like to join the discussion on this? Guru Darshan Kaur, Ardas K and Japmeet. The impression is that it will be too far and too expensive for most people here, so we'll just send them updates as the process proceeds among the S.A. trainers.
- 6) KY Festival in Mexico. We will make a board to start this festival by 2019. We have financial support from 3HO to do this. We have 3 or 4 people already volunteering for this board, that can work with 3HO to start all these dynamics. Anyone else want to be part of this board? Jai Hari Singh, Inderjot Kaur, Param Dyal Kaur.
- 7) Would the Trainer's in Mexico like a space just for the trainers here? Yes.
- 8) Pritam Pal talked about his suggestion to re-order the chapters in the Level 1 manual.
- 9) Trainer Portal – Make it more friendly. And the platform itself doesn't seem to be working well. We would like to make a mobile app, so you can mark your units of study right from the app. Maybe make a video tutorial (by those that know how to use it pretty well) to help the others. The communication with Sarb Jit is very good, but it would be wonderful if she can answer in Spanish. Can we simplify the processes w/in the Academy – less bureaucracy and less paperwork. Maybe have a Skype call among interns and Associates from all over the world.
- 10) Professionals should be able to teach in level 2 modules, maybe supervised by 2 mentors (their own and another, so they can get approved). They should also get paid for this teachings.
- 11) The interviews to become a professional shouldn't happen only at Solstices and the Yoga Festival.
- 12) Within every training, there should be a mix of all the academy roles present
- 13) Lead trainers should inspire and push their mentees to keep going. If someone has been too long in their role, there should be a commission that reviews this case. Maybe more than 11 years with one mentor and you should have to change?
- 14) Demystify that the Academy is the only path to grow.
- 15) We should take into account that there are exceptions, that teachers with a lot of experience may not need to go through the whole process.
- 16) As an intern, it is very important to teach in a course and get feedback.
- 17) In Ecuador, we don't have trainers, so we really need to start a NYKTA there.