

THE INTERNATIONAL ETHICAL, POLITICAL AND SCIENTIFIC COLLEGIUM

INITIATORS	Michel Rocard and Stéphane Hessel
DURATION	September 2002- June 2003
TOTAL BUDGET - €	?
REQUESTING FROM FPH €	20,000
JOINT FUNDING	?
FINANCE GRANTED BY FPH	20,000
OBJECTIVES AND STRATEGIES FOR CHANGE	<p>Set up the international ethical, political and scientific collegium.</p> <p>The collegium or "group of wise persons" is intended to be a new institution that is both independent and capable of making itself heard by governments, intergovernmental institutions and by NGOs and research centers.</p>
MEANS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Diffusion of the appeal to set up the Collegium signed by more than 30 personalities. ▪ Organization of a meeting at BLED (Slovénie) to launch the international ethical, political and scientific collegium. <p>The collegium sets itself a threefold role:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - observing and alerting on the main risks that threaten humanity; - discernment, especially ethical, as to the nature of these risks and the quality of the means required to face them while ensuring that they do not become counter-productive; - providing advice to governments and international institutions (priority given to the United Nations) in order to provide wisdom to their decision-making process. <p>"Such a College will bring together in the common search for the benefit of humanity actors in the public sphere, researchers and creators ready to listen to civil society (particularly NGOs and organizations of active citizens) and who accept the difficult merger of the quest for truth, beauty and justice with the exacting standards that all forms of responsibility embody".</p>
REALITY OF COLLECTIVE FACTOR	Initiated by Michel Rocard and the President of Slovenia, the idea of the collegium is supported by Stéphane Hessel as well as by French philosophers and scientists. The collegium has since received the support of many people at the United Nations and politicians from Africa, Asia, Latin America and Eastern Europe.
DIVERSITY & CROSS-CUTTING FACTOR	<p>Considerable geocultural diversity, a diversity of men/women, topical diversity.</p> <p>Three main challenges have been identified: ecological, economic and financial upheavals, the crisis of meaning and thought.</p>
EXPLOITATION OF PROPOSAL PAPERS AND CHARTER	The proposal paper on governance (CP49) and the Charter of Human Responsibilities constitute the basic material for the Collegium's reflection.
IMPLEMENTATION OF BREAKTHROUGHS AND PROPOSALS	Implementation of one of the proposals of CP 49: constitute a council of wise-persons
CAPITALIZATION	
MEDIA DISSEMINATION	The collegium's works will be widely diffused in the press. The appeal has already been published in a large number of newspapers. Furthermore, collaboration with multilingual publishers is envisaged.
ARTICULATION WITH OTHER PROCESSES	United Nations, World Social Forums

