

Auroville International Conference 2002

Tuesday: The Work of Auroville International Wednesday: Looking Forward

Here is a brief summary of what happened during the last two days at the conference:

A lot of discussions have taken place to determine AVI-2003. There will be **TWO** AVI-meetings next year. One in Auroville in Jan./February 2003 in Auroville itself, with emphasis on the International Zone. I hope that all of you will make it to Auroville at that time, I promise you it will be very interesting with high energies, as in February we'll celebrate also the Mother's 125th birthday !! I'll let you know the exact dates as soon as possible, so that you can book your planes well in advance for that season.

The second AVI-meeting will be in France, most probably in mid-June 2003. This will be the general assembly. Alain has promised to give details about date and place within one month, after discussing it with the people from AVI-France.

For 2004, we tentatively decided on Brazil. Carlos Gohn, our AVI-liaison person in Brazil, has offered to host AVI-2004 in Belo Horizonte, and Ila is ready to help with preparations, as well as Paulo.

In 2005 we thought to hold the meeting again in Auroville -- maybe coming into a rhythm of holding AVI meetings every two years in Auroville itself.

Regarding the International Zone, we came up with interesting proposals, of which I will inform you in details soon. The most important proposal was to include in the International Zone group a representative of the different AVI-pavilion groups with full membership and decision power, as well as form an ad-hoc team of consultants. This decision was taken by the entire assembly **IN CONSENSUS** (isn't it reason to celebrate!?). This "Extended International Zone Group Proposal" (EIZG) feels to be a very good step forward to collaborate on the IZ-topics, and tighten the link between AVI-Auroville-and the world.

It was a moving, happy good-bye day, we felt grateful and joy for having shared so much love with our extended family -- and I want to say "thank you" again for the excellent organization and facilitation of this year's AVI meeting in California.

Bye and servus, until Auroville,

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