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On Monday the 17th of December, 220 leaders of today and tomorrow will meet to discuss the future of international collaboration. Are you one of these leaders and would you like to participate? Together we will discuss the complex reality of international cooperation, our sources of inspiration, the challenges we face and the courage that is required to act.



Two unique moments

At the end of 2012, two unique moments coincide. Firstly, the **Earth Charter** celebrates its 12.5 year anniversary. The Earth Charter can be a source of inspiration for current and future leaders in a world full of opportunities and challenges for international cooperation. Secondly, the Mayan Calendar ends. For us this symbolizes the beginning of a new era, in which personal choices shape the future.

Central themes in the Our Moving Borders working-conference are:

'The opportunities and challenges which people face in the context of international collaboration, between corporations, NGO's, governments and civil society'.











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The essence

'Our Moving Borders' will be a working conference, where you will have the opportunity to work with others. The duration of the plenary sessions of the conference is limited. The emphasis lies on conversations in working sessions, which will host between 10 and 40 participants. The idea is to assemble leaders of today and tomorrow from different perspectives, for example from the corporate and academic world, and government and nonprofit sector. Which personal motives guide these leaders?

A continuous international movement

'Our Moving Borders' will not be a one-time event. From 2013 onwards, we will organize several meetings to ensure continued collaboration. During the conference we will, together with Ruud Lubbers, launch a digital book with stories from all over the world about the implications of the Earth Charter. This book will continuously develop, with stories about personal motivations and ambitions from conference participants and other leaders. Although this conference takes place in Rotterdam, 'Our Moving Borders' is a truly international event. By means of livestream we will connect with participants in round table meetings throughout the world, such as the Dutch Consulate in Shanghai and the embassy in Cairo. Together we work towards improved international collaboration.









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Practical information

All workshops and plenary sessions will be held in English. The conference will take place in the Erasmus Expo and Congres centre at the Woudestein campus of the Erasmus University in Rotterdam. You are welcome from 12.30 to register and meet the other participants. The formal program starts at 13.30 and lasts till 18.30. Afterwards you will have the opportunity to network and have a drink, until about eight o' clock.

Registration and more information

For more information on the background of the conference, the speakers, the program and the entrance fees, please visit www.ourmovingborders.com/gb. Here you can also register. Alternatively, contact:

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'Our Moving Borders' is a groundbreaking, challenging series of international meetings, inspired by the Earth Charter. In the series, leaders of today and tomorrow get a genuine chance to make their mark.

It is about YOU. You are the change and you shape the future.

Will you join us?







