

## World-Culture-Forum and Think Tank MARIPOSA on Tenerife Where creativity for new and future orientated concepts find a home

A virtual journey through the MARIPOSA Park is possible here: [www.mariposa-projekt.de](http://www.mariposa-projekt.de)

The Think Tank MARIPOSA in the south of the canary island of Tenerife is a cultural project which is a further proof for the holistic meaning of culture. It is about the experience of culture as a serious confrontation with itself, with others, with nature, with art, with the spiritual. It is about finding a culture of deep and interdisciplinary thought exchange and reflection in the shape of a sustainable and humane future of humanity.



MARIPOSA is located in a spacious park with numerous individual places for talks, lectures and discussions, partly out in the open, as well as in guest houses and communal buildings, each artistically unique in their design and with each detail made with great care. The gallerists Helga and Hans-Jürgen Müller started this project in 1984 and have realised the MARIPOSA –Park within the last 10 years in co-operation with nearly 60 artists. The buildings and works of art are carefully placed in the natural environment of the volcanic island and created in the context of the historical tradition of the canary archipelago. The gardens, wonderful paths, staircases, places and niches - the whole MARIPOSA Park offers space for discovery, areas of well being and places to think. Be it at the philosopher's pond, at one of the meditative spaces for withdrawal, in the open forum or inside one of the buildings, one finds diverse opportunities for an entirely different way of communicating.



The magical beauty of this place gives wings to the human senses and abilities and offers an atmosphere in which discussion, exploration, working and social contacts free a holistic creativity and create a community. The surroundings unwittingly transcend specific subjects and take them to the level of their essence. They are then brought in connection with the beauty of creation. This was the unanimous echo of the participants of Mariposia®.

The idea at the centre of MARIPOSA is to bring together economists and politicians – powerful figures of today – with scientists, philosophers, radical thinkers and artists. The Mariposia® are to expand stagnating ways of perception. Not least in bringing together people with divergent experiences and ways of thinking, the meaning and concepts of inter-

disciplinary thus far applied are remarkably enhanced.

If the World Economic Forum in Davos has contributed to the economical globalisation, the philosophy of the Future Lab MARIPOSA builds upon the idea, that also culture, ethics and humanity have to be central global issues of concern in economics, politics and science.

Since 1999 The Club of Budapest with his President and Founder Prof. Dr. E. Laszlo (Honorary Members: H.H. the Dalai Lama, M. Gorbachev, P. Ustinov, Dr. Jane Goodell etc.) took on the role of patron for this extra-ordinary cultural project. Plans exist to use it as an international creativity centre.



Mariposion® / Mariposia® = name for the symposia hold there.