A CERN-inspired Vision for a Contemplative Scientific Collaboration, Community, Culture and Life

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What experience and expertise in scientific collaboration, contemplative practices, and community-building is available to us today? How can we harness our collective key insights, integrate them, and build upon them, to co-create a contemplative scientific collaboration and actualize it in a contemplative scientific community?

How can science and contemplative practice become joined pathways of wholeness in our lives? How can we as scientists engage in a genuine contemplative life, as we engage in our scientific practice, here and now?

What is our most fundamental aspiration for being contemplative scientists? Can we pause and inquire: what serves the highest good here?

HOW CAN WE CO-CREATE A CONTEMPLATIVE SCIENTIFIC COLLABORATION, COMMUNITY AND CULTURE THAT BECOMES ALIGNED WITH TRIED-AND-TESTED SUPPORTING KEY FACTORS AND SYSTEMIC PRINCIPLES, GROUNDED IN SHARED VALUES AND INTENTIONS, NURTURED BY SKILLFUL 'BEST' PRACTICES AND PROCESSES, BASED ON A SHARED RECOGNITION OF WHOLENESS, AS PATHWAYS OF WHOLENESS, IN SERVICE OF WHOLENESS, AND INTEGRATING AVAILABLE EXPERIENCE AND EXPERTISE IN SCIENTIFIC COLLABORATION, CONTEMPLATIVE PRACTICES, AND COMMUNITY-BUILDING?

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Which key factors and systemic principles can enable and support successful scientific collaboration?
Can we make lasting collaborative efforts to "increase" and share available resources, to transition from scarcity-based overdrive competition to abundance-based collaboration and "coopetition" in service of the whole?

which practices and processes can enable and support successful scientific collaboration? What skillful "best practices" can we cultivate on individual, collective and systemic levels? How might our engagement in such practices inform, support and enhance our collaboration?

Can our collaborative process itself become part of our practice?

Which shared values and intentions
would inform, guide and support a
contemplative scientific collaboration
and community? How can we support
each other to live and work in
accordance with our agreed-upon
shared values and intentions? Can we
consistently show up for ourselves
and for each other to 'be the change'?