

**12-14 APRIL**

# **2024 EARTH CHARTER CONFERENCE PACKET**

**Reimagining education  
for Ecological  
Civilizations**

**Rollins College, Winter Park, Florida, USA**



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# THE 2024 EARTH CHARTER INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

ECI is convening a three [3] day conference building on the four [4] previous Earth Charter Conferences focused on education for sustainability and global citizenship, and for planetary well-being.

It will bring together a global diversity of educators, activists and Earth Charter educators, affiliates, and partners, to share good practices and research.

## Objectives

The event will create a space to:

1. Find synergies and enhance collaboration among innovative approaches to education for change.
2. Share experiences and research in education from various settings that contribute to ecological civilization.
3. Identify new ways to reorient education towards creating ecological civilizations.
4. Provide learning opportunities for using the Earth Charter to enhance sustainability and global citizenship education.

## Participants

The event is expected to bring together 250 educators, academics, young leaders, Earth Charter International partners, researchers in education, and businesspeople.

## Registration Fees:

1. Early Bird 1: USD \$350 [Special price for payments before 15 October 2023]
2. Early Bird 2: USD \$400 [Special price before 14 January 2024]
3. Standard: USD \$450 [Regular price for payments after 15 January 2024]





## Rollins College – Winter Park, Florida



## Earth Charter International – University for Peace Campus, Costa Rica



## 2022 Earth Charter Conference in Costa Rica





## Hotels

After you register you will receive the information about the hotels and other details.

## Field Trips

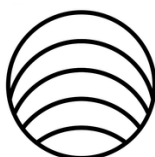
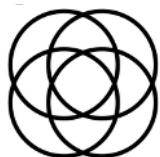
Options for field trips after the conference will be offered as well as pre/post Conference workshops. Interested participants will cover their field trip costs.

## Call for Abstracts [closed on September]

We encourage you to submit a 200-word abstract and a title for your proposed presentation. This could be research or your activities in any of the following areas:

1. Environmental Education, Eco-Literacy or Eco-pedagogy
2. Climate Change Education
3. K-12 [school] Education
4. Ethics and Values Education
5. Education for Sustainable Development
6. Education for Responsible Consumption
7. Global Citizenship and Global Education
8. Peace Education
9. Holistic and Well-being Education
10. Spirituality Education
11. Indigenous Approaches to Education
12. Transformative Learning and Futures Education

**[Click here for more information and registrations!](#)**





# EARTH CHARTER INTERNATIONAL

Earth Charter International (ECI) is the organization that powers the Earth Charter global movement with information, networking, and education to turn conscience into action.

The mission of Earth Charter International is to contribute to the transition to sustainable ways of living on the planet.

The activities of the Earth Charter International Education Center highlight the importance of incorporating sustainability values and principles into the processes of learning and decisionmaking. The Center forges new paths in education for sustainable development, global citizenship education, and makes efforts to connect these with concepts such as planetary wellbeing and ecological literacy. The Center's work is implemented under the framework of the UNESCO Chair on Education for Sustainable Development with the Earth Charter, which works to generate educational programs and research activities specifically at the intersection of sustainability, ethics, and education

## Conference Context

Our world faces many interconnected challenges including climate disruption, biodiversity loss, increasing poverty, inequalities, and conflicts between and within countries. Education must play a central role in preparing people to make the transformative change needed to create a world that works for all.

The UN organized a “Transforming Education Summit,” convened “in response to a global crisis in education – one of equity and inclusion, quality and relevance”. It emphasized that “many education systems are not providing students with the skills, knowledge, values needed to face the current challenges... the world needs to reimagine the education system.”

The Sustainable Development Goal [SDG 4.7] aims for learners to acquire by 2030, the knowledge and skills needed to promote sustainable development, including education for sustainable lifestyles, global citizenship, climate justice, gender equality, and so on.

UNESCO's Futures of Education Initiative produced a report titled “Reimagining our futures together: a new social contract for education.” It highlights the importance of considering education as a holistic process, involving the “heart, hands and mind.” It promotes efforts to rethink content and pedagogy and to support teachers as agents of change.



# WHAT IS THE EARTH CHARTER?

The Earth Charter (EC) is a document with sixteen principles powering a global movement. When you apply it to your business, school, or community, you begin turning conscience into action to make all life on Earth thrive. The EC is an ethical foundation for actions to build a more just, sustainable, and peaceful global society in the 21st century. It articulates a mindset of global interdependence and shared responsibility. It offers a vision of hope and a call to action. The EC enunciates the values and principles by which sustainable development can be achieved. The document starts with the Preamble, followed by the four pillars: Respect and Care for the Community of Life, Ecological Integrity, Social and Economic Justice, and Democracy, Nonviolence, and Peace. It concludes with The Way Forward.

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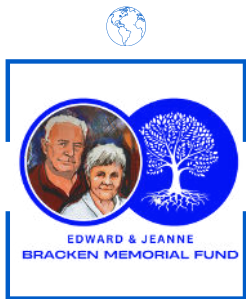
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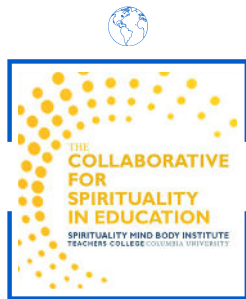
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