The Dalai Lama Center for Ethics & Transformative Values

Message from the Founder and CEO
The Venerable Tenzin Gyatso

Dear Friends,

It is with great joy that I share this 5-year update of The Center’s progress. The Center continues to design and disseminate impactful programs in relevant disciplines at MIT and beyond. As of 2015 our programs have stimulated and transformed people and institutions in 15 countries. From the very outset, The Center’s goals have been ambitious—to bridge the gap in leadership skills by designing innovative training programs.

The Center is entering the next phase in strategic development and organization to meet the demands for scaling the programs without compromising the depth and rigor. These milestones are both urgent and exciting for our growth.

I express my sincerest gratitude to all of our supporters, partners, and a wonderful team of volunteers and staff who have helped The Center during these years. We look forward to many more transformative programs in years to come.

Sincerely,

Tenzin Gyatso, The Dalai Lama

The Center is dedicated to inquiry, dialogue, and education on the ethical and humane dimensions of life. The Center is a collaborative and nonpartisan think tank focusing on the development of interdisciplinary research and programs in varied fields of knowledge, from science and technology to education and international relations. Our programs emphasize responsibility and examine meaningfulness and moral purpose between individuals, organizations, and societies.

OUR FOUNDING MEMBERS
Six Nobel Peace Laureates have served as Founding Members of The Center since its inception at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 2006.

Tenzin Gyatso
The Dalai Lama

Desmond Mptle Tutu

Shirin Ebadi

Betty Williams

Mairead Maguire

Jody Williams

The Center Highlights

- Launch of the Dalai Lama Center for Ethics and Transformative Values at MIT, in collaboration with the Media Laboratory, Institute of Technology
- Enlightened Leadership training at the Media Laboratory
- Transformational leadership programs launched in several universities across the United States, including MIT Today, Yale School of Management, and Oxford University
- The Center also launched programs in Mexico and Argentina
- Ethics Initiative convenes and dialogues on collaboration around values in business, government, and academia
- Public Conversations on Ethics with The Dalai Lama held in partnership with United States Department of State with 6000+ in attendance.
- Compassionate Young Leaders and Young Peace Leaders launched
- Global Symposium on Ethics, Security and Development Symposium held in collaboration with The Dalai Lama and President Obama
- Global Symposium on Ethics and Knowledge held in Gyeongju, South Korea
- Compassionate Young Leaders, Young Peace Leaders and Transformative Leadership sessions held with His Holiness and Presentation Seminars in Africa.

- Transformational Teachers launched in the US and Mexico
- "On the other side of knowledge" an upcoming book due in February 2016
- "Compassion in Education" an upcoming book in collaboration with MIT Technology Review and the Dalai Lama.
- Ethics Initiative: Businesses, Ethics and Compassion Symposium with The Dalai Lama and participants from around the world, including business leaders from around the world
- "World Mindfulness" in Mexico, France and China
- Students debating the future of the world
- Global floods, Greece’s debt crisis and the future of the West
- The Center’s academic, policy, and policy transformational Global Forums offer Sue-Change-Makers in the fertile world with The Dalai Lama, President Obama, and President Clinton.
- Young Peace Leaders in conversation with The Dalai Lama in Mexico
- "Spiritual, Compassionate Young Leaders" held in the Philippines
- Transformational Teachers in Mexico and Colombia in partnership with Mindful Education Foundation and Harry Potter Initiative Education, Bogota, Colombia.
- Transformative Teachers trained in India, program expanded to Afghanistan, Middle East and Colombia.
- MITAPP app launched, designed to connect with global leaders.
- Quarterly newsletter issued, "The Catalyst"
- Compassionate leaders in Japan
- "Young Leaders" launched in Colombia.

2006
2009
2010
2011
2012
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2014
2015

GOVERNANCE
Founding Members
MIT Steering Council
Board of Directors
Advisory Board
Operations Team

STAKEHOLDERS AND BENEFICIARIES
- Higher Education Institutions
- Governmental and Non-Governmental Organizations
- Business and non-profit organizations
- Parents, Teachers and Academic Community
- Middle and High Schools

Geographical Regions touched by The Center
North America (US and Canada)
Central America (Mexico)
South America (Colombia)
South East Asia (India, Indonesia, and Singapore)
Europe (France and the Russian Federation)
Africa (Uganda)

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The Center | 2006 - 2015
OUR PROGRAMS

We live more fulfilling lives when we are motivated to make positive contributions to society. The Center’s programs are designed to help us redirect our creative energies into enlightened actions that renew personal motivation and sustain our communities and societies.

The Center develops innovative curricula for teaching ethics and leadership, avoiding prescriptive approaches and using hands-on activities to stimulate reflection and life-transforming personal growth.

Transformative Leadership
Target: University Students & Executives / USA, India, Mexico, Indonesia

Transformative leadership is a paradigm created with faculty from MIT Sloan School, John F. Kennedy School of Government, and Johnson School of Management, and has been implemented at several universities to build leadership and professional skills with their students’ skills and developed reflective thinking skills for ethical leaders.

2007-2008
1,060 Students
1,475 Engaged Stakeholders

Compassion with Young Leaders (CYL) & Young Peace Leaders (YPL)
Target: High School Students (Ages 15-17) / Undergraduate Students / Global

YPL and YPL are innovative, trans-media initiatives designed to promote personal transformation and create a new understanding. By seeking awareness, compassion, and understanding, the project will promote character development and global citizenship through the collaboration of six universities. Participants will also learn how their personal transformation can lead to their larger role in global transformation.

The Center aims to connect participating youth to create a global community.

2013-2014
78,075 Students Reached

Ethics Initiative
Target: Global

An inter-disciplinary think tank on ethical responsibility in science, engineering, business, and public policy. The Center focuses on conferences and private roundtable discussions designed to cultivate innovative systems thinking on complex global challenges facing humanity.

The Dalai Lama Center Fellows Program
Target: Global

The program offers fellowships to individuals dedicated to extending the reach of science and technology to serve humanity’s potential needs with sustainable ethical commitments.

2008-2009
45,965 People Attended

Game & App Development

20 Day Stranger is an app providing "non-ideal" scenarios and insights.

A collaboration between the MIT Media Lab’s Playable Systems Group and The Dalai Lama Center for Ethics and Transformation at MIT.

20 Day Stranger is an app that presents a series of micro-experiences and emotional interactions that take place inside the phone. The app is designed to be used in pairs.

2013-2014
10 Fellows

MITRA - Track What Matters Most

MITRA app helps you find a specific alignment between your cause and your everyday life. A window of daily insight helps you identify the emotional states that influence your actions and how you can influence your own emotional states.

QUANDARY

Quandary is an award-winning game and teaching tool developed in partnership with Learning Games Network. Its goal is to provide an engaging experience for players aged 9-15 to strengthen foundations skills – including perspective-taking, decision making, and critical thinking – and help them recognize patterns and deal with ethical dilemmas.

Vocal Vibrations

A collaboration between the MIT Media Lab’s The Dalai Lama Center for Ethics and Transformation at MIT and UI Labs (Paris).

Vocal Vibrations is a voice anatomy experiment that will explore the relationship between human voice and social behavior. Human health heavily influences the voice. This project explores the hypothesis that voice is a window to emotional states. It’s designed for individuals to explore their voice with an experimental tool.

Augmented by Technology

Global Systems 3.0 online views 1,500,000+ (2014)
Game players 500,000+ (2012-15)
Social Media 65,000+ (2014)

IMPACT DATA

SOURCES OF REVENUE

Volunteers
41% Income and donations
42%
In-kind contributions
2%
Program revenue

GLOBAL OPERATIONS EXPENSES

17% Technology Cost
20% Administration
20% Faculty

RESOURCE OPTIMIZATION FOR IMPACT COST PER PERSON

2011
2012
2013
2014
2015

SPECIAL THANKS TO OUR PARTNERS & SUPPORTERS:
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AWARDS & RECOGNITION

Certificate of Recognition, City of Boston 2002
National Police Academy, India 2012
The Meaningful Play 2012 • The Meaningful Games 2013
Planning for Young Peace Leaders, City of Birmingham 2014

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