

## IFIS-Online-Colloquium

The Institute for Integral Studies invites you to the IFIS Online Colloquium n° 15:

Time: Wednesday, May 16th, 2018, at 20.00-22.00 h, Zoom meeting.

Presenter: Dr. Elke Fein, Denis Knubel, IFIS, guest: Indra Adnan, The Alternative (UK)

**Topic**: Transforming Systems, Societies and Political Cultures. Co-creating a Center for integral Politics

## **Details**

In the face of multiple crises, Europe and the world need a paradigm shift in politics and policy-making, working towards more collaborative mindsets and practices in decision-making. We need next stage political leadership as a precondition for transforming political cultures and, eventually, also social and political institutions from competitive zero-sum logics towards serving of the global common good. The current democratic system fails to deal effectively with complex issues. In the face of a general lack of vision and inspiration, we seek ideas for renovating and re-inspiring the current systems, thus "reinventing" politics on an integral basis.

## Short bio of the presenters



**Dr. Elke Fein** holds a binational diploma in political science (universities of Berlin, Paris), an MA in Russian Studies (FU Berlin), and a PhD (university of Bremen), studying Russia's failure to deal with its Soviet past. She has worked as a researcher in Russian History (Freiburg) and in Leadership (Hagen). Her passion is to introduce integral, in particular developmental perspectives into political analysis and practice. Elke is co-founder and managing director of IFIS and co-coordinates its "Leadership for Transition (LiFT)" project. She has just submitted an Erasmus+ proposal to continue LiFT's work from 2018 as "LiFT 3.0 – Politics", bringing together pioneers of integral/TEAL/collaborative politics.

**Denis Knubel** holds an MA in political science and international relations from the university of Geneva. His focus is on peace and conflict studies. He started a second degree in Psychology. He works as political analyst in Bern. He is also a facilitator for systemic constellations and gives workshops on topics related to personal development and politics (eg Enneagram, Spiral Dynamics). Denis was a Board member of Integral Politics (IP) 2011-2014. Since 2012, he works for the Center for Integral Peace Promotion (ZIFF). He is a member of the Institute for Integral Studies (IFIS).





Indra Adnan has a degree in political science and began her career as a journalist, writing for The Guardian, the Huffington Post and The Daily Alternative. She founded and ran a Conflict and Peace think tank throughout the 90s, developing new tools for conflict transformation together Johan Galtung. In 2002, she founded the Soft Power Network, consulting to clients in Brazil, Finland, India, Mexico and the UK, including the British Council, the Scottish Executive and NATO. She hosted the London Integral Group at her home for over ten years. Indra is also a qualified socio-psychotherapist and works as an

adviser on personal, local and global agency. She is a Board Member of Compass, progressive think tank and was a candidate of the Labour Party in 2013. She wrote "Is the Party Over" (2015), "New Times" (with Neal Lawson) and "Soft Power Agenda" (available on indraadnan.com).

