

## Project 2007–2010

# Renaissance der Weisheit of Wisdom

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## Wisdom and Science in a Dialogue

From various professional backgrounds the founders of the foundation are following the same vision: to bring the insights of the Wisdom Teachings in a dialogue with the insights of leading scientific research. The insights of the classical Wisdom Teachings will be shown as an inspiration to all aspects of modern life.



### The Research Projects of the Foundation The Insights of the Wisdom Teachings – An Inspiration for:

- ▶ Department 0: An Integral World View
- ▶ Department 1: Integral Science
- ▶ Department 2: Integral Education
- ▶ Department 3: Integral Medicine and Psychology
- ▶ Department 4: Harmony of Humanity and Creation
- ▶ Department 5: Integral Consciousness
- ▶ Department 6: Integral Philosophy
- ▶ Department 7: World Community & World Culture
- ▶ Department 8: Integral Management

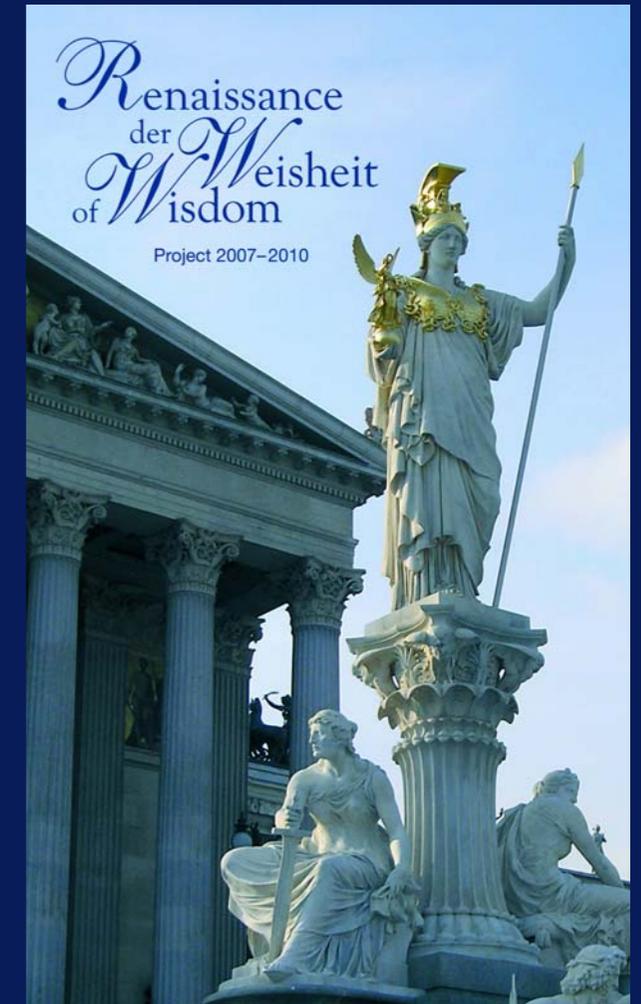
## Megatrend Renaissance of Wisdom

Among trend analysts and futurists, the »Renaissance of Wisdom« is regarded as a megatrend in the mean time. Matthias Horx formulated in regards to our increasing life expectancy: »Ideally a culture could emerge which develops its core value system around wisdom. After all, a long biography needs content and purpose.«



### World Cultural Heritage of the Wisdom Teachings World Community of Ideas

The »Renaissance of Wisdom« project is intended as a contribution to an emerging world community: to identify the everlasting foundations of human culture, treasures of wisdom and insight in the classical wisdom teachings, the world religions and integral sciences as a common core of universally recognized truths. These treasures are of such timeless value that they rank – just as the name of the foundation says – as a world cultural heritage: world culture as heritage and goal.



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#### Title: Athena Fountain in front of the Austrian Parliament Building

An Imperial Commission was appointed to study the building of the Austrian Parliament in Vienna. The Commission decided that the style of the building should be classical Greek architecture since it is connected to the ideal of democracy. The architect Baron Theophil von Hansen designed the building as an ensemble, where each piece harmonised with the rest. One of the building's most famous features is the statue of Athena, the Goddess of Wisdom, a notable Viennese tourist attraction.



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Rediscovering the Excellence of the Human Spirit – Creating a World where all Human Beings can live in Peace, Freedom and Dignity



»There is only one problem, a single one, in the world. To give back to humanity a spiritual significance.«

Antoine de Saint-Exupéry

## The Monograph Renaissance of Wisdom

The centerpiece of the »Renaissance of Wisdom« project will be the publication of a monograph in 2008. It will be a detailed, well-documented work in full color presenting a comprehensive understanding of all aspects of wisdom.

Through comparative research and synoptical documentation, the insights of the various wisdom traditions, science, art and music will be brought into a dialogue. In the light of this new and integral view, the similarity of the concepts will be evident and the seeming diversity of the historical doctrines will be superseded by an all encompassing and intelligent understanding that is harmonious with all.

### Chapter 1 The Wisdom Tradition – A World Cultural Heritage

Discovering the common core of universal truths harmonious with all philosophies, religions and cultures.

### Chapter 2 Rediscovering an ancient Value

The 21st century has the potential to develop into a truly remarkable period in human and cultural evolution. We are witnessing an unprecedented dimensional shift of consciousness towards a renaissance of wisdom as an indispensable aspect of a truly humane way of living.

## Part II Discovering the various Aspects of »Wisdom«

### Chapter 3 Primordial Wisdom

The hidden »Wisdom of God«  
The essence of Spirit – the primordial ground of creation

### Chapter 4 Human Wisdom

»Renaissance of Wisdom« is revealing a modern understanding of wisdom as a series of competences:

- The capacity of pure reason, discrimination
- The capacity of good judgement, prudence
- The capacity to make the best use of knowledge
- The capacity of synopsis – holistic consciousness
- The capacity of dialogue and empathy – advancing the well-being of humanity as a whole

### Chapter 5 Wisdom as an immanent Principle in Nature

»All matter originates and exists only by virtue of a force. We must assume behind this force the existence of a conscious and intelligent Mind. This Mind is the matrix of all matter.« Max Planck

The emerging concept of the in-formation field  
The »declaration of interdependence« of creation

## Part III The Renaissance of Wisdom

### Chapter 6 Wisdom and Science in a Dialogue – Towards an integral Vision of Reality

The concept of »spirit« and »matter« in the historical Wisdom Traditions and in modern science

In the Wisdom Teachings we find a world view showing a unity of metaphysical and scientific research. The new sciences are coming up with new models which correspond to a remarkable extend with the world view of the Wisdom Teachings.

### Chapter 7 The Renaissance of Wisdom

The evolution of the noosphere  
The emergence of a planetary consciousness  
Sustainability: living in harmony with all of creation  
Wisdom in action: a truly humane way of living

### A »Renaissance of Wisdom« in Education.

For the United Nations Decade of »Education for Sustainable Development«, the foundation is preparing a project designed to introduce wisdom as a series of competences – initiating a »Renaissance of Wisdom« within the field of education.

## Project »Renaissance of Wisdom«

Throughout millenia wisdom has been valued as one of the highest achievements of culture in humanity. The »Renaissance of Wisdom« project has been initiated by the Foundation World Cultural Heritage of the Wisdom Teachings in order to rediscover this ancient value and to introduce wisdom as a core value of a modern world. The project includes: the publication of a monograph in 2008 and a series of public events and a scientific symposium in 2009-10.



1 Kosmos Mandala Primordial Wisdom  
2 Bodhisattva Maitreya Transcendent wisdom  
3 King Solomon Insight-wisdom  
4 Greek Philosopher Metaphysics  
5 Shield of Minerva Living in harmony  
6 The wise virgins Thinking with foresight  
7 The wise men of the Schah Wisdom council  
8 The search of the philosopher Pure reason  
9 Spanish nobleman Dedication to high values  
10 Statue of Athena Good government

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