

# 2019 CONFERENCE FOR GLOBAL TRANSFORMATION

## Listening for Fulfillment

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# Call for Papers and Other Contributions

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"There is never, ever, anything wrong," and "Anything is possible!" my coach Joe Rink barked repeatedly during the Fall 2013 Introduction Leaders Program. This was my first time leading the ILP classroom in Jamaica. It was a grueling eight-month experience, hazardous to my identity, as it constantly looked like I was failing. In hindsight, it was a daring feat, exhilarating, enlivening and an adventure to behold!

The significant problems we have cannot be solved at the same level of thinking with which we created them.  
~Albert Einstein

What if it were true though? What if—in embarking on a quest for the fulfillment of an impossible outcome—there was "nothing wrong"? And, if it were indeed possible, then what?

Sitting with those questions, I was confronted with a rapid series of other questions: Am I willing to have my commitments fulfilled in the world? What if my commitments were fulfilled independent of my work, my insight, my planning? What if others happened upon a way to produce the same outcome—others who I may not like very much or agree with at all fundamentally? Would I even notice? I found myself oddly saying "no." But, who then would I need to be to allow this to happen? Do I need to have only my hand in the accomplishment of my promise, my commitments? If not, then how would I be participating in the world? On what might my attention be focused that my attention has not been focused? What new possibilities for fulfillment might be forged in my listening?

As human beings, I've come to realize once again, we are 'wired for survival' and the arrogance of our own self-importance often discounts or obscures the abundance of resources and contributions available in the world.

I am honored to co-author, with much support, this Call for Papers. Over the past seven years, I have been actively engaged in the fulfillment of my Impossible Promise, discovering and inventing new worlds, confronted with calls for reinventing ways of being and acting. Things often look very wrong and quite impossible. I often find myself being anxious, doubtful and even afraid.

And, sometimes I wonder, what would life be like if I could just live this amazing life here in Jamaica with freedom, ease, and a lot of play? Could I give my life over to the world and let the world fulfill my promise? What kind of a human being produces results through something other than hard work? Exactly what does it look like anyway when my promise is fulfilled?

As a member of this social commons, we cordially invite you to submit a paper or other contribution to the 2019 Conference for Global Transformation, addressing the matter of moving a promise or an intended outcome into performance, consistent with a future in which the promise of a possibility is realized. This Call for Papers and Other Contributions requests articles, workshops, and Reports from the Field that reflect the impact of the ways of being and acting that worked in your projects.

We look forward to a year of work on these investigations and to the report on your research in the Journal of the Conference for Global Transformation next May. You might include the work of producing a paper as one of the structures you use to keep an inquiry and a promise in front of you for the year. Further, we invite you to join the weekly occasions to inquire into the multiple topics of this Social Commons for Transformation.

■ Coral Crew Noble

# Guidelines for Papers and Other Contributions

Papers, Reports from the Field, Breakout Sessions and Posters could address questions such as:

1. Could what you want to accomplish be fulfilled by the world? Where are you operating as an individual, limiting the fulfillment to personal accomplishment?
2. How do I mobilize my promise being fulfilled in the world, rather than how do I accomplish it? How do I move from "I" to "we"?
3. What are the means for moving a promise out beyond yourself so it is alive in the communities that are appropriate to the scope of the promise? Where are those impossible outcomes already being fulfilled?
4. What kind of human being does not provide results through hard work? How have you used the social commons to be an effective reminder and demand to live as a clearing for a world that is not yet realized?
5. How do you deal with being at the effect of what you've seen or of what happened for you in inquiry? How do you sustain yourself. How do you become reliable as a clearing for a future that includes a promise fulfilled?
6. What new possibilities for fulfillment have been forged in your listening? What miracles have you witnessed that have made your previous, habitual ways of thinking, being, and acting untenable?

## Paper for the *Journal of the Conference for Global Transformation*—Submissions Close October 1, 2018

Journal papers provide authors with an opportunity to articulate their research, inquiries, ideas, practices, philosophies, view, work, artistic endeavors, successes and failures on topics related to the theme of the conference as expressed in this Call for Papers. Submissions must be completed drafts of original work, no longer than 10 single-spaced pages. Papers are reviewed, with authors' names removed, by an editorial committee. Accepted papers are revised for publication in the *Journal of the Conference for Global Transformation*.

The authors of the top three papers -- as determined by the Editorial Team -- will be invited to present in a joint breakout session at the conference. To submit your paper, go to [WisdomCGT.com](http://WisdomCGT.com), click on "Play a Key Role" and choose "Write a Journal Paper." A more comprehensive guide for authors is available there. You will be advised of acceptance by November 18, 2018.

## Breakout Sessions: Workshops and Panels—Submissions Close October 15, 2018

**Workshops** - typically led by one to three people, are intended to have people inquire into topics related to the

theme of the conference as expressed in this Call for Papers. Successful sessions tend to provide access to new contexts, thinking, ideas, practices and performance regarding matters the session leaders and participants care about, are committed to, or wish to make real in the world.

**Panel Sessions** - have three or more people giving short presentations on topics related to the theme of the conference as expressed in this Call for Papers. The presentations may be followed by questions, discussion or inquiry.

**Eligibility** - Each workshop or panel session presenter must be a Wisdom Unlimited graduate who has attended the Conference for Global Transformation as a registered participant at least once. Submit your proposal online at [WisdomCGT.com](http://WisdomCGT.com). Click on "Play a Key Role" and select "Lead a Breakout Session." More information is available there. You will be advised of acceptance by November 18, 2018. All breakout session presenters are expected to attend the conference as registered participants.

## Reports from the Field—Submissions Close January 15, 2019

A Report from the Field is an opportunity to contribute to others by sharing about living with, and engaging in, your commitments for the world. We invite you to submit a report of one to three single-spaced pages that summarizes what you have accomplished or learned regarding your commitments or promise for the world. Selected reports will be published in the *Journal of the Conference for Global Transformation*. For more information, or to submit your proposal, go to [WisdomCGT.com](http://WisdomCGT.com). Click on "Play a Key Role" and select "Write a Report from the Field." You will be advised of acceptance by February 28, 2019.

## Posters—Submissions Close March 1, 2019

We invite proposals for posters that address any aspect of the conference theme as expressed in this Call for Papers or any other aspect of formulating and implementing a commitment for the world. It is an opportunity to display whatever you are at work on and a great way to talk about things you have learned, issues you are encountering or ideas you have. Posters are a way to begin to experiment with conversations that might turn into workshops and journal papers in the future. Anyone who attends the Conference for Global Transformation as a registered participant is eligible to present a poster. For more information, and to submit your proposal, go to [WisdomCGT.com](http://WisdomCGT.com). Click on "Play a Key Role" and select "Present a Poster." You will be advised of acceptance by March 15, 2019. All poster presenters are expected to attend the conference as registered participants.

If you would like support with making your submission, please email our content team at: [cgtcontent@landmarkworldwide.com](mailto:cgtcontent@landmarkworldwide.com).