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## Holistic education for a society in transition

Bettona, 24 July 2010, 4 p.m.

At present we are witnessing a historical moment in time; a turning point, demanding *change*: an old conceptual framework of the world is spinning into crisis and new perspectives are coming into play. Change needs to happen in different realms of our living in order for us to respond to the ecological, economical and social emergencies. We need to gain understanding of our problems to enable and empower our communities to initiate a process of transition towards a sustainable future. In order to do this, a holistic and inter-disciplinary approach, through the cross-pollination of different *knowledge-systems*, will be crucial, as much as promoting a new way of dialogue, collaboration and trust.

We will talk with three professors that have been working on this path for many years:

Professor **Ilan Pappé** of the Institute of Arab and Islamic studies is one of the world's leading historians of the Middle East, with a distinctive view of Arab-Israeli relations. He has published extensively on the history of the Arab-Israeli conflict and his experiences have resulted in some very incisive thought on what it is to be a historian and the methodology of historical enquiry.

**Henri Bortoft** is an independent researcher in the philosophy of science. He did postgraduate research on the problem of wholeness in quantum physics with David Bohm and Basil Hiley at Birkbeck College. He is author of *Goethe's Scientific Consciousness* (1986), and a comprehensive book on the philosophy of Goethe's science, *The Wholeness of Nature* (1996). He regularly opens up a new world to his listeners, including on the MSc in Holistic Science at Schumacher College.

**Philip Franses** is faculty lecturer in Holistic Science at Schumacher College. From his search to the source of science and spirit, there has flowed a series of presentations, workshops, papers. In 2009 he started the Process and Pilgrimage research forum using elements of Basil Hiley's mathematics of process and Satish Kumar's philosophy of pilgrimage.

### Where and when

The conference will be held on Saturday 24 July 2010 at 4 p.m. at the **Pinacoteca Comunale di Bettona** (Address: Piazza Cavour 3, 06084, Bettona - Perugia).

For more information on how to reach the venue, please contact us.

Entrance fee: €10. Limited places available.

### For bookings and more information:

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