



GEN-Africa connects you to other like-minded individuals and groups in Africa and worldwide, and facilitates the exchange of information and expertise.

GEN-Africa provides a user friendly database:

- Information on key people and projects.
- Visibility of a wide range of educational training.
- Possibilities for volunteering, internships and apprenticeships.

GEN-Africa spreads information on special bursary and funding opportunities.

GEN-Africa can be used as a legal entity through which funding applications can be run.

GEN was set up in **1995** as an umbrella organisation working to support the experimental creation and preservation of low impact lifestyles across the globe.

GEN-International is an NGO with consultative status with the United Nations and a partner of United Nations Institute for Training and Research, **UNITAR**. Our ecovillage members can be seen as research, demonstration and training centres for the wider sustainability movement of which we are part. Within **GEN** equal weight is given to the four core dimensions of sustainability which are ecology, socio-cultural, economic and worldview.

*We are called to assist the earth to heal
her wounds and in the process
heal our own.*

Wangari Maathai



GLOBAL
ECOVILLAGE
NETWORK
Oceania & Asia



CONTACTS

contact@gen-africa.org
www.gen-africa.org
www.facebook.com/genafricanetwork

Global Ecovillage Network Africa
**Connecting Communities
for a Sustainable World**

GEN AFRICA WORKS TOWARDS THE REALISATION OF A MORE JUST, EQUITABLE AND SUSTAINABLE SOCIETY THROUGH:



Education and capacity building

Promoting the development of curricula derived from good practice within ecovillages. www.gaiameducation.org

Cultural heritage

Africa being the Cradle of Civilization, **GEN-Africa** will strive to apply the ecovillage movement profoundly based on the diversity of tangible and intangible cultural heritage in Africa.

VISION

We envision the re-emergence of a sustainable and abundant Africa growing out of an alliance of self-empowered and resilient communities.

Model ecovillages and training centers

Model ecovillages provide holistic designs for urban and rural communities for sustainable living environments. Training centers provide education, training and research.

Food sovereignty

Gen-Africa promotes African communities that are self-reliant, independent and enjoy an abundance of local foods.



Healing and reconciliation

The basis of **GEN-Africa** values lies in the success of authentic healing and reconciliation.

Advocacy

Promoting policies and practices that will make for a more just, sustainable and equitable society.

MISSION

As a solution-based alliance, **GEN-Africa** makes visible examples of best practices, and develops educational tools to inspire societal transition to resilience.

ORGANIZATION

GEN-Africa was officially launched in December 2012 in Sekem, Egypt as an independent African organisation, a member of the Global Ecovillage Network (**GEN-Africa** has now its own Council, Advisory Board and a youth wing called **Next-GEN Africa**).

The good intentions and creativity of citizens, and their willingness to make a difference, is one of the most underutilized resources we have today. The power of human communities to come together and co-design their own pathway into the future can be a major driving force for positive change. GEN helps to unleash this potential.

Kosha Anja Joubert

Natural resources and restoration

Promoting energy autonomy, reforestation, regenerative water cycles, healthy soils, and a mutually beneficial relationship with wildlife.

Ethical business and fair trade

GEN-Africa must assure self-reliant and interdependent communities by providing a progressive ecovillage business model.