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Golo Joachim Pilz was born 1960 in Frankfurt, Germany. In 1980 he completed his College Diploma and underwent an apprenticeship as Master Carpenter and Builder. For the next 7 years he was running his own business. In 1984 Golo joined the Brahma Kumaris, a worldwide spiritual organisation with its headquarters in Mount Abu, India. Golo has now more than 30 years practise in Raja Yoga and is an experienced mediation teacher who lectures on a wide range of spiritual topics. He founded in 1989 the charitable trust "IndiaCare" with headquarters in Berlin and is since more than 12 years its presidents. From 1990 onwards Golo resides in Mount Abu, India. In 2009 Golo became a founding member of the Brahma Kumaris Environment Initiative and has annually participated and lectured at the UN climate change conferences.

Since Golo moved to India, he has been actively engaged in the research and demonstration of renewable energy projects. He is the adviser for renewable energy of the Brahma Kumaris and its sister organisation the World Renewal Spiritual Trust (WRST). Golo has initiated, with technical and financial collaboration from the Indian and German Governments, various innovative research projects that are focused towards rural adaption. He advocates sustainable solutions through an ethical and values-based approach.

From 2010 - 17, Golo has been co-ordinating the design and construction of ""India One"", a 1MW solar thermal power plant at the Shantivan Campus of the Brahma Kumaris / WRST. This advanced parabolic dish based power plant features thermal storage for continuous operation, generates heat and power, and is a landmark in the future Indian renewable energy scenario. ""India One"" is managed by WRST and partly funded by the Indian Ministry of New and Renewable Energy Sources (MNRE) and the German Ministry for Environment, Nature Conservation and Nuclear Safety (BMUB).

" To make this Earth a better place, it needs more than just using renewable technologies or create good strategies. We have to change ourselves, change our consciousness and attitudes ... if consciousness and attitudes changes, our activities will have more impact ... policy and strategy have to be reinforced with an inner change ... " - Golo J. Pilz

Renewable Energy Projects

ACADEMY FOR HIGHER LEARNING, BRAHMA KUMARIS GYAN SAROVAR, MT ABU

1996 - Two experimental eco-buildings with soil blocks, featuring green architecture; powered by a solar PV system.

1997 - Solar steam cooking system with 24 parabolic solar dishes (7.5m² each), generating steam for 2,000 meals per day.

1999 - 150kw photovoltaic system with battery backup for 24-hour stable power supply to the Academy's loads.

SHANTIVAN CAMPUS, BRAHMA KUMARIS, ABU ROAD, RAJASTHAN

1999 - Solar steam cooking for 35,000 meals a day.

2011 - 150kw photovoltaic system with battery system.

2017 - "India One" solar thermal power plant (1Mw) with storage, Shantivan, Abu Road.

SOLAR INSTALLATIONS IN OTHER PARTS OF INDIA

2000 - 60 x 5kw solar PV power systems at Brahma Kumaris centres.

2002 - 50kw solar steam cooking system at Brahma Kumaris, Yellapur, Karnataka.

2002 - A 100kw solar steam cooking system, near New Delhi for 5,000 meals a day.

2006 - 200kw solar PV power plant with battery backup, Om Shanti Retreat Centre, Gurgoan, Harayana.

2014 - 300 PV home systems (1-6kw with batteries) at various Brahma Kumaris centres.

International Speaking Engagements

1996 - Istanbul, Turkey – Habitat II, UN Conference on Human Settlements, recognition as part of the 'Best Practice Initiative for Human Settlements'.

2006 - Granada, Spain – International Solar Cooker Conference, Solar cookers and food.

2007 - Seoul, South Korea – Green Energy Expo, Exploring green energy.

2009 - Copenhagen, Denmark – COP15: Major participant and speaker on The use of renewable energy for a better future. in India and Mind and matter: confluence of two living systems.

2009 - New Delhi, India – International Conference on Combating Climate Change, Global climate change.

2010 - New Delhi, India – Second Indo-German Energy Symposium, Solar energy conclave.

2010 - Cancun, Mexico – COP16: Speaker at the United Nations Climate Change Conference, Inner dimensions of climate change. Panel discussion hosted by Global Peace Initiative of Women (GPIW), Consciousness and climate change.

2010 - Reduit, Mauritius – Mind, Green Earth Campaign, Mind and matter: confluence of two living systems.

2011 - Durban, South Africa – COP17: Speaker on Use of renewable energy for a better future in India.

2012 - Doha, Qatar, COP18: Delegate and Speaker on Protecting our atmosphere.

2013 - Warsaw, Poland – COP19: Delegate and Speaker on Global justice, equity and sustainability.

2014 - Lima, Peru – COP20: Delegate and Speaker on Ethics at the heart of climate change.

2015 - Paris, France – COP21: Speaker on the role of ethics and human awareness in climate change solutions.

2016 - Nairobi, Kenya - United Nations Environment assembly UNEA 2: Speaker.

2016 - Marrakech, Morocco - COP22: Speaker on Transition to innovative and clean technology demands a new mindset.

Awards

1995 - Award from Global Hospital Mt. Abu for outstanding contribution towards rural sick and poor

2016 - Excellence award for concentrating solar systems by Mr. Piyush Goyal, Minister MNRE & Energy and Coal, India