

A GLOBAL OFFERING

Threefolding as a Path for Peace



Online Conference on Sunday, November 15, 2026

10am Pacific Time / 1pm Eastern Time / 7pm Central European Time

3 hours — Keynote speakers: Dr. Friedrich Glasl, Gerald Häfner

30 minutes — Planning for the future (optional)

There are many theories to describe how our economy or political system should work. But threefolding is not another theory. It is an open-minded perspective on our modern society and how it developed during the last two centuries. Through this perspective you can understand which characteristics are healthy or chaotic for our economic life, our political life, and our social or cultural life. Threefolding gives you a key as to why economic crises or wars arise.

First part

10am Pacific Time / 1pm Eastern Time / 7pm Central European Time

Recent history reveals what happens when the interests of the economy and the state are merged. This combination **unleashes mechanisms of economic and political pressures** that interfere with the healthy working of both areas, too often culminating in military conflicts. Our speakers will set the stage, guiding us through the phenomena of conflicts of our present time and making the transition to potential actions by individuals.

Friedrich Glasl—an expert in international relations and author of a **standard model on conflict escalation**—guides us not only in tracing the conglomeration of state and economy but also in identifying why the legal and economic areas need to be independent of one another.

Gerald Häfner, a former member of the German Bundestag and the European Parliament, makes it clear that the **legal area is far more than just the state**. It is precisely within this broader picture that the **law can unleash its peace-building power**, provided that individuals recognize and apply it. The right to participate in government is

developed as an inner human force and does not mean mere obedience to the state order. Democracy is capable of improvement!

Following the speakers' presentations you will meet in small groups to share your thoughts and questions arising from the contributions. There will then be a plenum to ask comprehension questions before the break starts.

Second part (approximately)

11:50am Pacific Time / 2:50pm Eastern Time / 8:50pm Central European Time

The second part of the conference will start with the announcement of the **Baumheier Award**. The purpose of this award is to magnify the impulse of social threefolding which may be working consciously or unconsciously within an individual or organization.

Friedrich Glasl will describe different ways in which we as members of civil society can become active.

A second breakout session will work on this question of how to become active for peace in the wider society. Highlights and lessons learned will be shared in a plenary session.

Gerald Häfner will close the second part of the conference. He will describe “**the race to the bottom**” caused by the erosion of political power and the state's entanglement with the economy as well as the role civil society can play. How do defense alliances and “peace architecture” promote the logic of war and arms race? How can **international arbitration proceedings** and the **potential of neutral states** foster peace? What are examples of individuals having an impact?

Planning for the future (optional)

1pm Pacific Time / 4pm Eastern Time / 10pm Central European Time

Introduction to the **Day of Threefolding**, an initiative to promote threefolding around the world – with a range from discovering threefolding to expertise.

New breakout rooms will be opened and you can share your ideas and development initiatives for the Day of Threefolding around the world.

Registration is open now at <https://anthroposophysocial.org/global-threefolding/>

- **\$43 contributor registration** — includes the November 15 conference, access to the conversation space for 3 months, plus modest financial support for colleagues who could not otherwise attend.*
- **\$28 registration** — includes the November 15 conference and access to the conversation space for 3 months.*
- **Free registration**, sponsored — using the honor system, for those who need free access to the November 15 conference and, for 3 months, to the conversation space.
- **Free donation** – for all of you who want to contribute an individual amount.

Agenda

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minutes	topic
0:00	Welcome and introduction of threefolding, the series "Threefolding as a Path to Peace", Edward Baumheier, today's schedule Invocation
10:00	Keynote by Friedrich Glasl
31:00	Journaling time
32:00	Keynote by Gerald Häfner
53:00	Journaling time
54:00	Intro of breakout group session
57:00	Breakout group session Task: Share name, location, questions from and thoughts about speakers' presentations
1:17:00	Plenary conversation for clarifying questions
1:32:00	Task for the break: Identify a conflict, in the world or personally, that is weighing on your heart. Identify learnings from our speakers that apply to this conflict.
1:35:00	Break
1:50:00	Baumheier Award (plenary session)
1:55:00	Friedrich Glasl: perspectives – how to get active as members of civil society
2:10:00	Intro of breakout group session
2:13:00	Breakout group session Share your thoughts and experiences regarding how to get active.
2:33:00	Plenary conversation for sharing insights
2:45:00	Closing statement by Gerald Häfner
2:58:00	Anticipate follow-up email / Farewell / Closing verse
3:00:00	End / Optional call for action
3:00:00	Introduction to the Day of Threefolding, an initiative to promote threefolding around the world – from discovering threefolding to expertise.
3:08:00	Intro of breakout group session
3:10:00	Breakout group session or Plenum (will be decided together) Task: Share ideas and development initiatives.
3:30:00	End. The next Threefolding as a Path for Peace takes place on Sunday, February 28, 2027.

We sincerely hope that you will join us, and invite your friends as well! We want all voices, each adding their unique perspective, to make threefolding around the world as effective as possible!

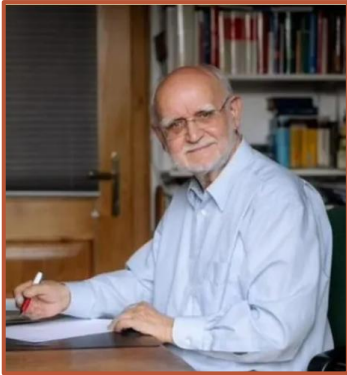
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The preparatory group

Eva and Markus Birnthal (GER), Moritz Christoph (GER), Annie Haas (U.S.), Linda Lingane (U.S.), Meg Gorman (U.S.), Patrice Maynard (U.S.)



Gerald Häfner is a Waldorf teacher, social designer, founder and former spokesperson of Mehr Demokratie, Democracy International, The Green Party in Bavaria (DE) and various foundations. He was a member of the German Parliament and the European Parliament for four terms; he has authored constitutional drafts and has acted as an expert on constitutional issues in various countries. He is also leader of the Social Sciences Section at the Goetheanum.



Dr. Friedrich Glasl is an authority on conflict. His PhD was on conflict prevention and peace building. He worked for the Dutch NPI for Organizational Development from 1967, and has lectured in conflict at Salzburg University since 1985. He has written many books, including *Enterprise of the Future*, and developed nine stages of conflict escalation model, which is one of the standards in conflict research.

Staying connected – creating a platform

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- **Anthroposophical Society members:** just \$3.46/month for full platform access*
- **All others:** \$12/month for full platform access

*If you're a member of any anthroposophical society worldwide, you already qualify for access to the full platform at the reduced rate of \$3.46/month — the only requirement for society membership itself is recognizing the importance of anthroposophy for the world.