



ONE  
RESILIENT  
EARTH

# Annual Report 2022



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**Teresa Corcao (2022)**

*Carolina Altavilla*

# Introduction

## **2022 was the year One Resilient Earth's projects blossomed!**

Our projects encompassed learning journeys and workshops for over 350 young adults, as well as impactful collaborations to address emotional wellbeing, the role of the arts, and the leadership of Indigenous Peoples in building climate resilience in transformative and regenerative ways.

The funding we received from the Emergence Foundation, the British Council and the Creative Europe programme, as well as collaborations with the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Climate Change secretariat, and the Common Wadden Sea Secretariat allowed us to

reach hundreds of learners directly and to change the perspectives of thousands of others.

We are excited about the impacts that the young adults we have trained will have in different parts of Europe, and in the world at large. From centering connection and creativity in their approach to resilience, to creating communities of support, and helping regenerate ecosystems, they are equipped to spearhead deep societal transformation.

We would like to thank our funders and donors, all the people who joined our workshops and events, but also our team members and supporters for their trust, care and engagement.

*Image by Amy Treasure*





# Mission, Vision, Goals

## Our Mission

One Resilient Earth supports innovative cultural, scientific, and educational projects, so as to raise awareness about the impacts of climate change, as well as to develop and share knowledge, tools and methods to build our resilience to climate change impacts.

Our approach is transdisciplinary, and fosters synergies between arts, science, ancient wisdom traditions and new technologies when relevant.

## Our Vision

We aim at shifting mindsets, re-building caring communities, and regenerating ecosystems so as to achieve the long-term resilience of the Earth, including all living beings.

This implies inspiring and empowering many human beings to transform the way we think, work and live, and embody values of connection, repair, and creativity.

## Our Goals

Our goals for 2022 were to implement, and disseminate our transformative and regenerative approach to climate resilience, through strategic collaboration with artists, scientists, young people, research institutions, cultural organizations, and international bodies. Concretely, we aimed to:

### Foster Transformative Learning

Implement our learning methods for transformative climate resilience and regeneration with diverse target audiences and reach 350+ learners directly

### Grow a Transnational Community

Open up online and offline spaces to gather a transnational community committed to learning and working together towards climate resilience

### Influence Leaders

Share our approach and methods through online platforms, and among institutions and working groups that have a wide reach and influence

# How we work

## We co-design

We enjoy **co-designing projects with partners** who are open to growing their inner resilience as they engage into the regeneration of communities and/or ecosystems through context-specific initiatives.

## We partner

We partner with cultural organizations, scientific institutions, international organizations, local civil-society organizations, and others who are **committed to exploring climate resilience, transformation and regeneration**.

## We nurture

**We gather and nurture a transnational learning community**, across disciplines and generations, so as to support one another, and grow both inner and outer resilience together.

## We explore

**We explore convergence and divergences** between ancient wisdom and modern science, work across disciplines and generations, integrate new technologies when impactful, and value art as a channel for transformation.

*Laurelien Simon and Sunniva Ferri  
at ADE Green 2022*

*Image by ADE Green*





# Results at a glance

250000

people reached in-person, through online platforms as well as with our talks at the **Global Resilience Summit** and at **TEDx Danubia**

200+

participants attended our live talk with Indigenous leader **Nemonte Nenquimo**

85,5%

of the participants in the youth learning journey have been experiencing a very strong '**feeling of connection to other people, the environment and the wider world**' compared to 30,4% at the start of the learning journey.

50

sustainability leaders from the music industry and festivals **reaching 100 000s of people over Europe and North America** joined us to learn about the impact of inner transformation and emotional wellbeing **to catalyze cultural and societal transformation**

350+

**youth activists and young climate leaders actively participated** in our in-depth workshops and learning journeys to foster climate resilience, transformation and regeneration

99%

of our climate circles participants would **recommend participating to a friend or colleague**, and 95% of the participants rate our climate circles 8 and above on a scale of 1 to 10

82,4%

of the participants in the youth learning journey feel more open and excited to **learn from Indigenous Peoples** about resilience and transformation

10

sustainability leaders trained in working with **Futures Literacy and the Arts for Transformative Climate Action** in a diversity of contexts

# Timeline

*January*

## **Introducing new ways of learning at the Learning Planet Festival**

During the Learning Planet festival, we organized 3 workshops to discuss lessons learned from hosting over 80 Climate Circles; innovative learning about permaculture for refugee youth in East Africa, with the Rwamwanja Rural Foundation in Uganda; and learnings from 're-storying landscapes to restore people, nature and culture' with Green Releaf in the Philippines.

*March*

## **Leading Youth Climate Circles at universities in Canada**

Autumn Trainor discussed the emotional and mental health impacts of climate change, and led climate circles with students in Concordia and Waterloo University, in Canada.

*March*

## **Contributing to the Conscious Food Systems Alliance**

As part of the "Conscious Food Systems Alliance" convened by the United Nations Development Programme, One Resilient Earth published uncensored stories of conscious relationship to food, told by fascinating humans living in the Global South in Tero Magazine. The stories were illustrated by the Climate Illustrated team.



*April*

## **Global Resilience Summit**

Laureline Simon spoke about regenerative climate resilience at the Global Resilience Summit among countless inspiring speakers including Thomas Huebl, Otto Sharmer, Britt Wray, Rhonda V. Magee, Elder Albert Marshall.

*June*

## **Listening session with Nemonte Nenquimo in Bonn**

In collaboration with Amazon Frontlines, Flourishing Diversity and Alanus University, One Resilient Earth organized an open listening session for Indigenous leader Nemonte Nenquimo to share about her engagement and vision for the Amazon and all future generations.

*June*

## **Opening up to climate emotions at the Wellbeing Summit**

Clare Celeste Börsch and Laureline Simon from One Resilient Earth discussed climate emotions, showcased art for eco-grief healing, and ran a climate circle for 40 participants at the Wellbeing Summit in Bilbao-Biscay.

*June*

## **From eco-anxiety to climate resilience, connection and creativity**

One Resilient Earth delivered a day-long workshop to 35 young climate activists and change-makers from Germany and numerous countries from the Global South, as part of the Action for Climate Empowerment initiative of the United Nations Climate Change secretariat in Bonn (Germany).

*June*

## Immersive exhibition Ecotopia

One Resilient Earth contributed to Ecotopia, an interactive exhibition by Berlin-based artists, focusing on our eco-future. We ran an 'Earth Lovers Circles' during the New European Bauhaus Festival, and explored how imagination and creativity could help build climate-resilient futures.

*June & November*

## Futures Literacy and Arts Course on Transformative Climate Action

These in-depth online trainings offered in collaboration with the UNESCO Chair on Futures Literacy at Hanze University enabled 10 sustainability professionals to deepen their Futures Literacy skills, as well as to grow their own resilience and creativity. Trainees were also equipped to foster transformative climate action in their communities.

*July*

## Supporting healing in refugee settlements of East Africa

One Resilient Earth connected the Rwamwanja Rural Foundation and Mutera Global Healing so that they provide training in relation to sexual and gender-based violence. Such violence is likely to increase in case of population displacement, environmental degradation, and extreme weather events, and needs to be part of climate-resilience building efforts.

*September*

## Trilateral Wadden Sea Youth Conference

In collaboration with the UNESCO Chair of Futures Literacy at Hanze University of Applied Sciences, the One Resilient Earth team facilitated a Futures Literacy Lab and visioning exercise on the future of youth engagement at the Wadden Sea World Heritage Site for 47 young people from Denmark, Germany and the Netherlands.



*September*

## Re-Storying Landscapes in a Changing Climate

The project is a co-creative initiative between the Living Story Landscapes Project (Philippines), the Hawkwood Centre for Future Thinking (UK) and One Resilient Earth with the support of the British Council. It aimed at restoring natural and cultural heritage for regenerative and climate-resilient futures, in collaboration with artists and communities.

*September*

## Flourish! A Youth Learning Journey towards Climate Resilience & Regeneration

With the support of the Emergence Foundation, we launched a free online learning journey for students, youth activists and young professionals who wish to respond to climate change by growing climate resilience and regeneration, within themselves and in their community.

*September*

## Participation in the 17 rooms process on transforming climate education

One Resilient Earth was invited to engage in the 17 rooms process on transforming climate education. 17 rooms is a partnership between the Center for Sustainable Development at Brookings and The Rockefeller Foundation, aiming at developing recommendations for COP28.

*October*

## Festival Sustainability Lab

Festival Sustainability Lab is a collaboration between Innofest (the Netherlands), Green Events (The Netherlands), Live Green (Sweden) and One Resilient Earth, to accelerate the evolution of the cultural and creative sectors, and make them more resilient, fit, and relevant in climate-altered futures. It is part of the Creative Europe programme.

*November*

## **Listening to our Climate Fears to Build Trust**

This climate circle was dedicated to sharing the fears we feel when relating to climate change. This gathering was held for 12 participants both online and in-person at COP27 in Sharm El Sheikh (Egypt), in partnership with Potsdam Institute of Advanced Sustainability Studies.

*December*

## **We are One Resilient Earth' online community**

The 'We are One Resilient Earth' online community platform was created to help create a transnational learning community through the sharing of resources and the facilitation of connections, exchanges and collaboration among participants in our different projects.

*December*

## **Youth Mental health & Culture report**

The report on 'Youth, Mental Health and Culture' for the European Commission, led by Voices of Culture, and to which One Resilient Earth contributed, was published .

*Image by Laureline Simon*





# Deep Dive into Core Projects

## Transformative Learning Journeys

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### Re-Storying Landscapes in a Changing Climate

This 12-month co-creative initiative brings together artists and communities based in the Philippines and the UK to collaborate on restoring their natural and cultural heritage for regenerative and climate-resilient futures.

In partnership with the Living Story Landscapes Project (Philippines) and the Hawkwood Centre for Future Thinking (UK), **the project aims at regenerating critical ecosystems, fostering reparative relationships between South and North and limiting the local impacts of climate change.**

The project involves 5 artists from the UK and 6 from the Philippines, with different artistic practices, and common experience working with communities.

*I felt transformed for the better by the encounter with such generosity, acceptance and respect from everyone involved. [...] I loved learning about moving from victim to survivor to thriver. I've begun to use this concept in my work.*



Noseflute Artist Dom-An Macagne  
Courtesy of the artist

## Flourish! Youth Learning Journey

Flourish! was a series of online workshops **co-designed by and for young adults to address eco-anxiety, grow climate resilience, and learn practical tools and methods to foster the regeneration of communities and ecosystems.**

The Learning Journey is a 12-month-project developed with the support of the Emergence Foundation, and in collaboration with Lund University Centre for Sustainability Studies (LUCSUS), ClimAccelerator, Hanze University, Permaculture education Institute, Learning Planet Institute, UNESCO Chair of Futures Literacy, YOUNGO, and Climate Psychology Alliance.

With 270+ registered participants, exciting collaboration with visual and performance artists, as well as fascinating speakers such as Jihan Gearon, Bayo Akomolafé, Sharon Stein, Jane Chun, Bemmeriki Bisimwa Dusabe, and Jo McAndrews, Flourish! inspired and empowered many participants as demonstrated in the impact assessment we ran in collaboration with LUCSUS.

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*[Flourish!]* helped me understand where my confusion comes from. Because before digging deeper or maybe even distinguishing or being aware of the differences between symptoms and root causes, I felt I was without navigation.

### Collage of everyone involved in the design

One Resilient Earth





This learning journey was co-designed by young adults for young adults who are concerned about climate change, and looking for caring, creative, grounded, and collaborative ways of engaging with this global emergency.

The learning journey was **open to students, activists and young professionals from all over the globe**, and gave access to inspiring stories, impactful tools, and our 'We are One Resilient Earth' online community. It aimed to help young people **reduce their eco-anxiety as well as limit climate change impacts and ecosystems' degradation both locally and globally, by inspiring collaborative and regenerative efforts.**

The Learning Journey consisted of **a series of seven interactive online workshops** delivered with the support of experts in the fields of eco-psychology, mindfulness, futures literacy, regenerative agriculture, as well as by Indigenous knowledge holders.

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*I loved the learning journey, especially coming from a point of not knowing that caregivers (climate activists) also need care. I've learned so much empathy towards myself, others like me and our suffering earth. I'm very enlightened, so thank you truly!*



Image by Taisiia Stupaks

**85,3%**

of surveyed participants are more willing to engage in fostering collaboration and community building to achieve resilience after Flourish!



## Futures Literacy and the Arts for Transformative Climate Action

A certified Futures Literacy course co-designed with the UNESCO Chair on Futures Literacy at Hanze University was provided to two groups of sustainability professionals in June and November 2022.

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*I found the overall experience to be very informative, engaging, and eye-opening... I would love to delve further into Futures Literacy and further engage with it in my personal and professional life. I would highly recommend this training to anyone and hope that I can bring it into everything that I do.*

This live online training helped deepen participants' Futures Literacy skills, grow their resilience and creativity, and provide practical advice and tools for mobilizing Futures Literacy and the Arts for transformative climate action.

The course also **built participants' capacities to innovate and embrace emergence**, which are essential for designing and implementing impactful and regenerative initiatives for a just, climate-positive, climate-resilient, and biodiverse world.

Participants reported that the immersive approach to Futures literacy, expert facilitators, and accessible technology, including the Miro board, made the course particularly engaging.



Image by Nathan Anderson

## Festival Sustainability Lab

Festival Sustainability Lab is an 18-month project co-funded by the Creative Europe Programme. It aims at **accelerating the evolution of the cultural and creative sectors by promoting learning about innovation, regeneration and resilience to climate change impacts.**

One Resilient Earth's contribution to the project is a 'Deep-dive into Climate Resilience through Regeneration and Transformation'. Through a series of online workshops and coaching sessions, we intend to address questions related to the sustainability of music festivals in a time of erratic weather events and sea level rise, as well as the financial and moral implications of business as usual. The Deep-Dive aims to explore a future where festivals could catalyze societal transformation while creating engaged communities and regenerating ecosystems.

Over 50 artists, festival organizers, and sustainability leaders in the cultural and creative sector have registered for the workshops where they will learn how to grow resilience to climate change and transform from the inside out.

They will also gain insights into ways to foster the regeneration of communities and ecosystems through arts, culture, and community-making.

The project aims to create a more climate-resilient, regenerative, biodiverse, culturally-rich, creative, and caring world through the latest climate resilience and regeneration science, Indigenous Peoples' inputs, creative facilitation techniques, and responsible experimentations.



**Festival Sustainability Lab (2022)**

*Niels Devisscher*

Commissioned artwork for One Resilient Earth



# Impactful Collaborative Events

## From Eco-Anxiety to Climate Resilience, Connection and Creativity

As part of the Action for Climate Empowerment initiative of the United Nations Climate Change secretariat, One Resilient Earth delivered a one-day workshop to 35 young climate activists and change-makers from Germany and numerous countries from the Global South.

**We designed group activities to shift from eco-anxiety to climate resilience, connection and creativity** with the support of our two co-facilitators: Alois Reinhardt, theatre and performance artist from the Theatre Bonn (Germany), and Futures Literacy expert, Ramila Khafaji Zadeh, from the Hanze University of Applied Sciences (the Netherlands).

The workshop gave participants space to express the emotions they feel in relation to climate change, either through words or through movement. Participants also had an opportunity to reflect upon multiple visions of a climate-resilient future and to broaden their imagination.

*Image by the UNFCCC*





# Listening Session with Nemonte Nenquimo in Bonn

In collaboration with Amazon Frontlines, Flourishing Diversity and Alanus University, we organized a listening session open to all for Indigenous Leader Nemonte Nenquimo. She was invited to share about her engagement and vision for the Amazon and all future generations.

Nemonte Nenquimo led an Indigenous campaign and legal action that resulted in a court ruling protecting 500,000 acres of Amazonian rainforest and Waorani territory from oil extraction. Nenquimo's leadership set a legal precedent for Indigenous rights in Ecuador and the region.

Over 200 attendees joined the listening session, including students from Alanus University, artists, local government representatives and community organizers.

The listening session gave attendees an **enhanced understanding of the importance of respecting Indigenous Peoples' rights over their territory to conserve biodiversity and limit climate change.** The critical value of Indigenous Peoples' knowledge systems was also acknowledged.



**Nemonte Nenquimo collage (2022)**

Clare Celeste Boersch

## Immersive Exhibition Ecotopia in Berlin, during the New European Bauhaus Festival

One Resilient Earth was invited to participate in Ecotopia, **an immersive and interactive exhibition about our eco-future, led by a Berlin-based artists collective.**

The exhibition took place during the New European Bauhaus festival in June 2022. The exhibition featured artworks from various disciplines, performances and meditations on climate grief. Workshops and talks to encourage imagination and a better future for Berlin and the planet were also organized.

One Resilient Earth presented its approach and hosted an 'Earth Lovers Circle', which was an open-sharing and deep-listening circle about our relationship to the Earth.



**Earth Deities (2022)**  
*Clare Celeste Börsch*



## Trilateral Wadden Sea Youth Conference

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The two-day workshop was complemented by a detailed report, as well as by a series of coaching sessions for the group of young people drafting the vision and presenting it at the 14th Trilateral Governmental conference.

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*We [young people] need to deepen our connection to the Wadden Sea because we are part of the ecosystem. Humans and the Wadden Sea are equal, humans are not superior. As a result we should use language as a powerful instrument to raise awareness and to be more considerate of our actions and their consequences.*

The vision of the youth for the Wadden Sea World Heritage Site was presented at the Trilateral Governmental conference, held from 28 November to 1 December 2022. The presentation was received with a standing ovation.



**Wadden Sea Youth Conference**

*Image by Niyanta Shetye*



# Support to Impacted Communities, including through Local Partners

## Mutera Global Healing Provides Training in Uganda

In July, Mutera Global Healing provided a training on prevention, healing and justice regarding sexual and gender-based violence for women and girls in the Rwamwanja Refugee Settlement in Uganda.

The connection that One Resilient Earth made between Mutera Global Healing and the Rwamwanja Rural Foundation led to the training of 10 women from the refugee settlement, as well as the Rwamwanja Rural Foundation staff. This training contributes to addressing the nexus of displacement, vulnerability, climate change, environmental degradation and sexual and gender-based violence.

In addition, One Resilient Earth has been advocating for a better understanding of the **interlinkages between climate change and enhanced sexual and gender-based violence**, and for the integration of this nexus in climate adaptation or resilience initiatives carried out with frontline communities.

**Group photo of the participants in the training**  
*Mutera Global Healing*





## Climate Workers Circle and Youth Climate Circles

**Building climate resilience includes addressing the emotional and mental health impacts of climate change.**

We have been offering climate workers circles since July 2020, and youth climate circles led by Autumn Trainor since October 2021, to cater to the emotional needs of over 150 participants.

Climate circles are safer online spaces where sustainability professionals, students and any individual who engages directly or indirectly with climate change, can come and share about all the emotions they feel in relation to the climate crisis.

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*“I’ve been attending the Climate Workers Circle regularly since August 2020. My commitment to climate justice and a sustainable world impacts every aspect of my life. Thus, the circle is not just of importance to my work, but has helped me navigate major life decisions. I’ve always felt welcomed and supported in the circle. I’m grateful for everyone I’ve been so fortunate to connect with during my participation.”*

Supportive spaces and communities practicing collective care are essential to building the resilience of the climate movement and growing agency despite instability.



Image by Gleb Kozenko

# Partners & Networks





# Financials

€ 29.050,00

**Grant** from Emergence Foundation for Flourish' a youth learning journey towards climate resilience and regeneration

**EMERGENCE**  
FOUNDATION

€ 13.501,00

**Grant** from British Council, as part of the Restorying Living Cultural Landscapes in a Changing Climate in partnership with the Hawkwood Centre for Future Thinking (UK) and the Living Story Landscape Project (Philippines)



€ 33.600,00\*

**Grant** from the Creative Europe programme of the EU for the Festival Sustainability Lab with Innofest (Netherlands), Green Events (Netherlands), and Live Green (Sweden)



€ 18.302,00

Revenue from **workshops**

€ 3.980,00

**Individual donations**

\*made available in 2022 as a first tranche.

Audited accounts are available on demand.

*Image by Niyanta Shetye*



# Team

Our team comprises diverse, talented, brave and caring people who worked together tirelessly to bring to life our shared vision of One Resilient Earth.

We could not be more grateful to the great humans below and to many others for their generosity, dedication and drive to embody the deep transformation we call for in this world.



**Laureline Simon**  
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# Thank you for caring about Earth.

**And heartfelt gratitude to all those who made our work possible. Thank you for your trust and enthusiastic contributions. We could not have done it without you.**

**If you would like to support our mission or collaborate, please donate or reach out!**

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