

## Some participants' comments received after Tällberg Forum 2005

“It’s too bad the Tallberg Forum had an ending ! What an experience, and what a job you and your colleagues did. Hats off, congratulations, and thank you. My only wish is that all of us who were privileged to receive this gift can move all the visions created there forward. It was just awesome”. David Vidal, The Conference Board, New York City

“I am not one to say such things -- but this gathering has changed my life. And the results of what came together there are going to have very significant impact, across personal, professional and global levels.”. Amber Nystrom, Social Fusion, San Francisco

“The venue (Tällberg itself), the partners (all participants individually and collectively) and the content (with many new/different perspectives) were extra-ordinarily rich, very inspiring and a great learning experience indeed”. Herman Mulder, ABN AMRO Bank, Amsterdam

“I cannot tell you how much Amy and I enjoyed this week. The best gathering we ever attended, by far. It mixed moments of deep thoughts, insights, fun, entertainment, beauty, a stunning setting and most of all a group of fascinating people with whom we are likely to stay in touch. Thank you so much for inviting us to the event. You folks did an exceptional job”. Yann and Amy Risz, The Next Practice, San Diego

“Ann and I want to thank you for the wonderful experience we had in Tällberg. Honestly, it was one of the most refreshing and invigorating meetings I have ever been to. We returned totally energized and ready to continue the important work we do with renewed vigour and passion. It was so inspiring to meet so many smart, dedicated people. That’s the magic of Tällberg, I believe – the knowledge that there really is a global community of dedicated, hard-working people, ready to do what we can to make the world a better place. It’s a wonderful feeling to know that, and I wanted to congratulate you for helping to make it all happen and to thank you from the bottom of my heart”. Paul Hofheinz and Ann Mettler, The Lisbon Council, Brussels

“Once more, many thanks for the Tällberg invitation. It was a very special occasion: without doubt, the most attractive and inspiring week I have ever had. All speakers were really superb: this applies to conversations, workshops and the unique participants. In short: Tällberg was from all sides a spectacular success. Honours to you, Bo and the other organizers”. Jaap Spier, Advocate General, Supreme Court, The Hague

“Tällberg was one of the most interesting and inspiring events I have attended in my life – the beautiful location, the stimulating discussions, the inspirational people – all in all an unforgettable experience”. Oliver Karius, Vantage Point, Zürich

“Thank you so much for the invitation to Tallberg and for a wonderful event !!! I am still processing the many conversations and interactions I had”. Christel Scholten, ABN AMRO REAL, Sao Paulo

“While it was a thrill to see royalty, to hear heads of state and politicians debate, and hob-knob with famous thinkers and CEOs, the real privilege and enduring difference for me was spending time with you all in our reflection group. You are all remarkable people — both rich in head and heart — and I was so impressed with the work you have done already with your lives. So bravo and thanks so much for the inspiration, and very practically, for making our group work so beautifully”. Nicole Boyer, Adaptive Edge, Paris

“Thank you so much for inviting me to the great event of Tällberg. I enjoyed it very much, especially the people I met were wonderful”. Fred Matser, Fred Foundation, Netherlands

“Tällberg was a great experience and has helped me to move a number of things forward that I am passionate about. More generally, so many people of my generation and younger were present. So thanks for creating and nurturing the space for the new generations to make their contribution, and midwife what is waiting to be born”. Peter Merry, Engage, Utrecht

“I am looking at newspaper headlines with additional wisdom this morning. The forum was very special. I repeat again that I am grateful I was included – I know it will feed and inform my work in the future. As an individual, new friends were made and old friends renewed.” Joan Bavaria, Trillium Investment, Boston

“My mind is still spinning from Tällberg – WHAT a conference ! I told the Davos team that Tällberg set a very high standard on how to deal with the mega-questions today.” Felicitas von Peter, Bertelsmann Foundation, Germany

“I have been meaning to write for a few weeks to tell you how much I enjoyed being at Tällberg. Not only did I meet a lot of terrific people, but was very inspired by what transpired as well as the place itself”. Jacqueline Novogratz, Acumen Fund, New York City

“Let me thank you for the opportunity of participating at the Forum - truly a great experience! I even had numerous inspiring discussions on theological issues”. Lukas Stuecklin, UBS Philanthropy Services, Zürich

“I am back in Switzerland and would like to reiterate how much my family, Lukas and myself enjoyed your event. Thank you for having us! The forum was an extraordinary occasion to meet personalities with common interests and diverse backgrounds in a picturesque setting that helped create the informality that is a necessary condition for true exchange. The rich and challenging program lead to many interesting contacts and discussions. Progressio Foundation, Tällberg Foundation, yourself and your team did a great and outstanding job. Congratulations! I look forward to future joint endeavors. Please let me know when you want us to get together to think about what activities to plan to do together in 2006. I look forward to our exploratieons”. Maximilian Martin, UBS Philanthropy Services, Zürich

“Pondering my vision, and still processing the experience – so many dimensions, interactions, ideas, challenges. It was wonderful to receive the follow-up message from Tällberg with visions from folks whose names I could now put together with faces and personae”. Sally Osberg, Skoll Foundation, Palo Alto

“I want to thank you for a wonderful and memorable time at the Forum. It was a privilege to be with so many talented, inspiring and committed people and it was for me a special learning to see that, despite life's compromises, these people have maintained such a sense of service and purpose. I hope I shall be able to repeat and contribute to this experience again”. Josephine Green, Philips, Eindhoven