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GIORGOS CHLOROS Giorgos Chloros (1986) is an artist by education. He grew up in Larisa, Greece and then he studied Fine Arts at the University of Ioannina. In 2008 he moved to Sweden for his MFA from Valand in Göteborg. The medium he has mostly been working with has been video. Currently, being a food video producer is what pays the bills, but he is preparing the ground for a complete shift towards carpentry and generally a more creative, tangible and fulfilling way to make the living. He lives in a red house in the Stockholm countryside with his partner and two kids.

Participants



BÅRD E. DAHL Bård E. Dahl is a youtube enthusiast with focus on practical and physical problem solving. He is working with prototyping and holds a product design as well as a mechanical engineer degree.



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RODRIGO GHATTAS-PÉREZ Rodrigo Ghattas-Pérez (b.1989. Lima, Peru) is a Peruvian-Palestinian artist and 'restivist' based in Oslo, Norway. Ghattas is a vernacular socialist with an artistic exploration at the intersection between cooperative networks, performativity theories, solidarity economies, and decentralized art futures. www.rodrigoghattas.art



TORMOD CARLSEN Tormod Carlsen Seeing everything as landscape has been Tormod Carlsen's longstanding fascination. He has sought out places and contexts marked by paradox ever since he moved to Russia to train as a circus artist after completing his upper secondary education. In settings of contrast and opposition Carlsen finds the potential to twist a situation. In addition to Russia, he has studied theatre at the University of Teheran and directing at Oslo National Academy of the Arts. www.tormodcarlsen.com



Simon Morris is a multi-disciplinary artist focusing on sound and its relationship to matter and energy.

## ANTI-SYMPOSIUM

The International Encounters of Community and Environmental Sociology will take place again this year in rural Sweden, on a farm in Kvarntorp in the outskirts of Hölö in the Södertälje Municipality, Stockholm County from the 25th through the 28th of August. This meeting will serve as a site for participants to exchange and share their experiences, and to discuss the future of independent cultural frameworks.

After a two-years long covid break, the third edition of International Encounters of Community and Environmental Sociology, New Forms of Contemplation for a New Society, continues to develop, as in the previous editions, as an interdisciplinary space ent cultural framework. of conversation on how Our participants range to create new approach- from artists, thinkers, es in cultural policies academics, curators,

based on the models of auto-sustainable infrastructures. We have chosen the Järna surroundings as the base for the IECES because we view the area as an inspiring place where one can visualize a cooperative development with the neighbourhood in helping to organize, enhance, and strengthen the participation of the community. The focus of the event's program will consist of non-activities, experiences, and participation in the local and social milieu of Järna, Hölö and its surroundings.

For this third edition of International Encounters we have selected a group of international experts in the field of art and culture whose labor is based in the independ-

omposers, and archiects. The project opes to bridge the ocal and the internaional through creating place for meeting and onversation between articipants in the symposium and members of the local community. International Encounters creates an opportunity for those experiences related to the development of art and cultural projects that are integrated in community and environmental sociology with voices represented both from Järna, Hölö and a larger international community.

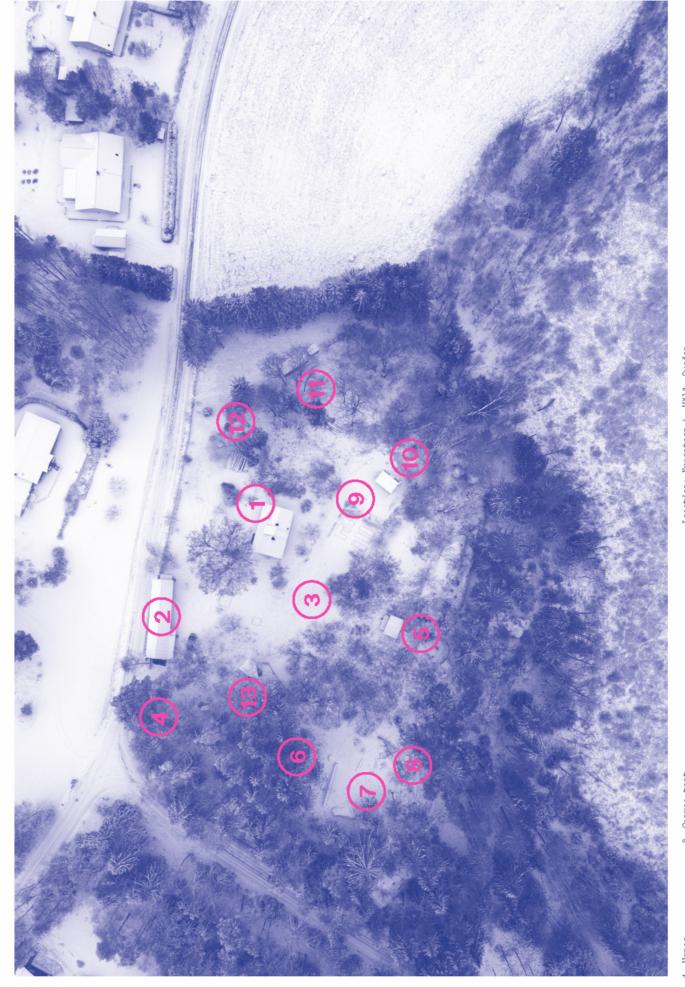
The goal of the project example, our latest is to develop in both the public and private sphere a collective thought or aim that will serve as an impor- research in the scienctant tool in improving the relationship between sustainable development and social integration with the quality of culture. In fact, International Encounters views the relationship between culture and sustainable potential collaboradevelopment as imperative. Bringing various participants together to discuss this topic will serve to create a larger transnational discourse on the imperative to merge cultural thought, sustainable development, and social community. integration.

The project channels the collective intelligence and viewpoints of each participant and therefore will help to develop and improve the tural and diverse quality of art and culture by contrasting and channeling each participants unique ideas and perspectives. of Waldorf schools and The project aims to create and foster a cultural and artistic ecosystem with a very active link with the non-state public culture. In this ecosystem installations. the various actors are engaged in a social

practice of consumption. More specifically, we want to reflect on the systematic dimensions of building a sustainable culture in communities where societies can develop in a direction towards a post-human perspective and a meeting place for the involved to share their exchange of experiences of participants, whose objective will be to consider the future of this great independent cultural framework. The production of this event can be viewed in tandem with several of our previous projects where we consider similar themes. For work was the creation of a nonprofit organization whose work focuses on promoting es and humanities that strives to improve the quality of interaction of all living beings belonging to the same social ecosystem. This gathering will allow participants to share projects, meet tors, and find the inspiration to work collectively to consolidate a base for a future network of collaborations between the participating actors and the inhabitants belonging to the local

system outside of the

The general area of Järna is truly rich when it comes to nature, culture, arts, biodynamic farming and more. It is a multiculplace. Järna is the center of the Anthroposophical movement in Sweden. It has a number a beautiful Cultural centre located in the area of Ytterjärna, where in the forest one can find one of James Turrell's permanent



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