What you should know

Over and over again we honestly emphasise: The Lazarus Union asks neither for application fees nor for membership fees. The Lazarus Union neither receives any public aid or grant nor has it ever asked for such. So the Lazarus Union finances its various pro-jects only based on voluntary donations and so depends on the money of the various distinctions which can be acquired by purchase and the fees for distinctions applied for. Distinctions which cannot be applied for are in general awarded without fees but the persons awarded are free to place a donation to the Lazarus Union after having been awarded. We consider this open, honest, and transparent towards all persons receiving a distinction from the Lazarus Union because also a "donation" for a distinction which can be acquired by purchase is in our eyes worthy of an award!

The "Kreuzenstein" Medal

The medal shows an image of Kreuzenstein Castle on the front and the newly adapted logo of the Lazarus Union on the reverse. The medal is worn on a red/gold striped ribbon. Diameter 42mm

For the design of the medal, we thank the founder of the Lazarus Union, Senator Prof.hon. Colonel Wolfgang Steinhardt PhD(USA) hon., who also shaped the newly adapted logo of the Lazarus Union.

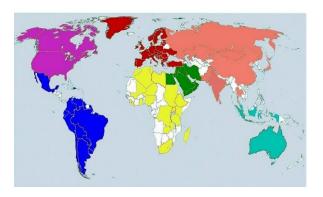
The jubilee medal can be ordered now via the Lazarus Union Web Shop. The net proceeds benefit the "Uganda Project of the Lazarus Union".

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As of January 1st, 2023, the CSLI has more than 23.000 members and is represented worldwide on all continents and in more than 120 different countries by local organizations and groups, delegations, or individuals

The Lazarus Union has the "General Consultative Status" to the United Nations-ECOSOC and is officially represented with delegates in New York. Geneva and Vienna.

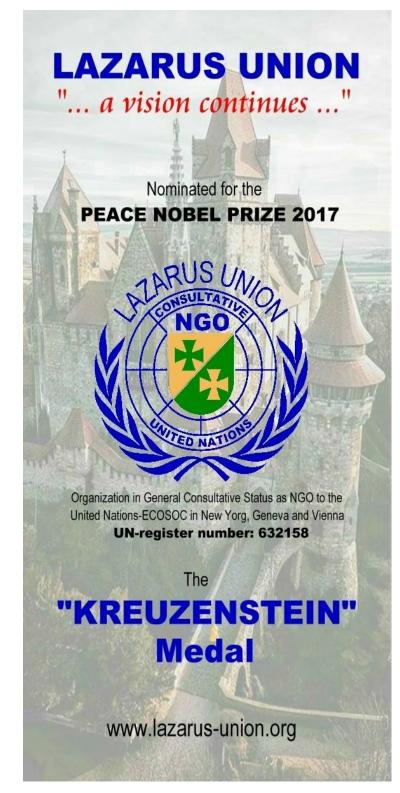
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About the actual future ...



Vienna, April 2023

Dear readers of this folder!

In the year 2023 we will continue and complete the reorientation and adjustment of the Lazarus Union to the multiple crises. In the effort to make a contribution, the union aligns itself in the future to the lastingness goals as well as to the global Compact program of the United Nations. This framework gives us the opportunity to implement comparable but also individual programmes and campaigns in all countries where the Union is represented. New tools such as a redesigned homepage, social media accounts and the use of video conferences will also contribute to this.

But all these tools are not a one-way street. Some suggestions will come from the Union Command, but we also ask all country commands, group members and individual members to become active themselves and bring in suggestions.

In future, proposals for selected days of action - whether as graphic campaigns or concrete event proposals - will be prepared and distributed by the General Secretariat at the appropriate time.

As pilot project for the field work 2023 in Uganda & Kenya projects are implemented, which convert this requirement also into practice. The Lazarus union is a comparatively small NGO but it enjoys general adviser status with the United Nations.

This gives us the opportunity to recognise problems, to name them, to point them out and to create awareness, and thus to take a share in the solution. So I am in good spirits for the new year, knowing that we can achieve great things.

In doing so, let us preserve what defines us: our connectedness with each other!

Sincerely Yours and have fun if you read this folder

Colonel Oliver Gruber-Lavin y Ochoa FRSA General Plenipotentiary of the Lazarus Union

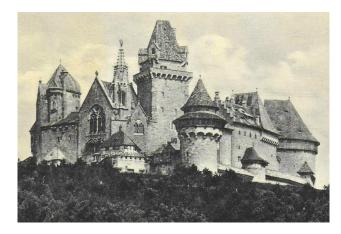
The "Kreuzenstein" Castle

The history of the castle begins in the 12th century when it was built by Hadmar I of Kuenring. Over the centuries the castle changed ownership several times until it was finally acquired by Count Johann Nepomuk Wilczek in 1884. Count Wilczek appointed the architect Karl von Hasenauer to rebuild the castle, which was by then in ruins.



The rebuilt of the castle starts

Kreuzenstein Castle became a true masterpiece of Romantic architecture, featuring numerous ornate elements such as towers, oriels, arcades, and frescoes. It served as the residence of the Wilczek family and as a museum housing an extensive collection of weapons, armour, paintings, and antiques.



The castle after completion - a mighty sight

Today, Kreuzenstein Castle is a popular tourist attraction that draws

thousands of visitors every year. It is known for its imposing appearance, rich history, and unique architecture, which transports visitors back in time and immerses them in the fascinating world of the Middle Ages.



The castle today

The current owner of the castle, Count Hans-Christian Wilczek, has conveyed his agreement to the Chapter of the Knighthood in 2013 that Kreuzenstein Castle is allowed to be the "official titular seat of the Knighthood of Honour of the Lazarus Union" with immediate effect.

To emphasise this 10th anniversary, a very important milestone in the history of the Lazarus Union and its honorary knighthood, the Lazarus Union donates the "Kreuzenstein Jubilee Medal".



The ceremonial investitures of our international "Honorary Knighthood of Lazarus Union" also take place very often in this wonderful castle complex.