

3. The Earth Citizen Principles and Values Pyramid Framework

This working group also established a framework for principles and values in the shape of a pyramid.



At its base was the layer of shared Earth Citizen Principles and Values, widely adopted around the world.

A 2nd layer provided a place for stated principles and values of the United Nations, like preventing armed, economic or environmental aggression of any people or nation on Earth toward any other, providing a global justice system for the peaceful resolution of any disagreements between nations, creating and enforcing global human, environment, species and life rights, and resolving common issues. Because of a common recognition of the human nature risks of corruption from aggregations of power, most other issues and powers are left to higher layers of the pyramid.

A 3rd layer provided a place for shared principles, values and intentions to guide Earth Citizen Nations. Commonly, Earth Citizen Nations adopt Earth Citizen Principles and Values as their 1st and U.N. Principles and Values as their 2nd principles. Others may express intentions to meet shared social needs, like housing, education, healthcare, peacekeeping, dispute resolution and efficient trading systems; intentions to not participate in war, violence or exploitation; and intentions to support subnational state and other local levels higher in the pyramid, which received increased powers, again to avoid corruption. By 2035, 2/3 of Earth's nations were self-declared Earth Citizen Nations, and by 2045 almost all were.

State and local governments could establish their distinctive additional principles in higher levels of the pyramid, declaring in the first few principles their adoption of Earth Citizen, U.N. and National Principles and Values in lower layers, and then providing clearly expressed additional principles and values to guide further refined intentions, like the protection, cultivation, restoration and maintenance of specific natural systems and resources, qualities of cities and public systems; and decision-making at that level, including methods for resolving principled disagreements.

Organizations and communities could establish their distinctive characters and identities in higher pyramid levels, declaring in the first few principles their adoption of Earth Citizen, U.N., National, State, and/or Local Principles from lower levels of the pyramid, and then adding clearly expressed additional principles, values and intentions to guide their beings, actions and behaviors, like an organizational or community mission statement, how membership works, how that organization or community interacts with others and makes decisions, or how that effort shares its experiences and abundance.

At the top of the pyramid is a peak opportunity to create and express additional personal principles, values and intentions. Those build on foundational layers below, as desired, allowing individuals to incorporate lower layer principles, values and intentions with a clear statement or few to that effect. Additional expressions are sometimes at the level of personal goals and aspirations, which may change.

This framework allows individuals and organizations to efficiently work out and communicate the values and intentions that inform their characters, efforts and actions. *OurStories* has countless stories with examples of how clarity and transparency in individual and organizational identity, character and intentions provide understanding, stability, trust, satisfaction and well-being. We greatly appreciate knowing consciously what people believe in and strive for and having that to inform and guide our lives. It's very rewarding to have people, reality, governments and systems that make common sense to us, which we can easily understand and evaluate through their own clearly stated values and intentions.

Registration of U.N., national, state, local, organizational, community and personal principles and values allows others to know quickly what that entity is all about, and it enables research and comparison of principles and values at many levels, as examples and models, and for analysis across populations.