



# ORGANIZATION *for* INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION

## Breakthroughs in the Pursuit of Peace and Cooperation

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### Caution: Delegating Third Parties for Initial Program Discussions

OIC stands for the possibility of major breakthroughs in the pursuit of international cooperation for security, humanitarian, and environmental challenges. We are committed to supporting foreign policymakers, their advisors and negotiators worldwide as well as officials of multi-lateral institutions in attaining unprecedented cooperation.

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***“WHILE WE THINK OF OURSELVES AS OPEN-MINDED AND OBJECTIVE, IN FACT OUR APPROACH TO OURSELVES, OUR CIRCUMSTANCES, OUR CHALLENGES AND OTHERS IS OFTEN FILTERED AND OBSCURED BY PRE-EXISTING NOTIONS AND IDEAS—BY OUR UPBRINGING, OUR BELIEFS, OUR VALUES, OUR TRAINING AND OUR PAST EXPERIENCES.***

***THE FILTERS ARE AN ALL-PERVASIVE INFLUENCE THAT PROFOUNDLY COLORS OUR RELATIONSHIPS WITH PEOPLE, CIRCUMSTANCES, CONVERSATIONS, OUR CHALLENGES, AND EVEN OURSELVES.***

***AN AWARENESS OF THESE FILTERS BRINGS TO LIGHT THE STRIKING LIMITS THAT THE FILTERS IMPOSE. IT IS BECAUSE OF THE FILTERS THAT PEOPLE PERCEIVE ACTIONS, WORDS SPOKEN, AND CIRCUMSTANCES DIFFERENTLY. WHEN RESOLUTIONS TO CONFLICTS AND ALL OTHER SERIOUS CHALLENGES FAIL, DIFFERENCES IN PERCEPTION ARE ALWAYS PRESENT.”***

— From a Program on Self-Actualization

The common practice of delegating someone to speak on behalf of a superior is practical and generally not problematic. However, in exploring the use of ontology based programs, delegating has proven to be highly problematic. An associate or subordinate without a substantial background in ontology based programs would not be able to communicate a discussion with us to their superior accurately, thoroughly, or effectively. They would also not be able to answer important questions appropriately.

The same holds true when someone shares our written material with their colleagues for their group assessments. Ontology based programs do not fit into most program categories, therefore they are easily misconstrued. The written word is even more subject to misinterpretation because there is no immediate corrective feedback.

Those we reach out to will not be properly briefed by an individual staff person or by a group of their associates no matter how accomplished, educated, or respected they may be. Those who solely rely on reading will not attain the clarity or accuracy needed. In addition, as stated above everyone

reads and hears things relatively differently. Thus, what one person hears is easily and automatically influenced by their conditioning.

The programs and their processes are extremely important and can make many outcomes that have not been accomplished before possible. It would be a serious disservice to the person we are contacting to go through a third party.

There are also questions in such a discussion that are asked that need to be answered in a way that is consistent with the functions of ontology based programs. The complexities and concepts involved in ontology based program processes simply do not pass properly from person to person for these reasons.

To avoid wasting time, to avoid confusion and frustration, discussions must be with the people we reach out to.

We trust that the reader understands the good intentions and practicality involved in these cautionary comments.

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