

June 2023 report – including two short trip reports to Israel and to Iceland.

Both were final trips together with Isa, my wife, due to our mutual health situation.

In the beginning of the CORONA pandemia – when the French President claimed seven times on TV: *Nous sommes en guerre* – we, Isa and I had decided to depart from Paris and peacefully live together in Isa's home in Düsseldorf.

I decided to sell my apartment in Paris as well as my small summer-home in the French Marines de Cogolin. My totally blind right eye helped me to make this decision, as well as one other sad fact: My two French apartments were supposed to financially **strengthen the Peter-Hesse-Foundation** – www.solidarity.org – to **contribute to a just and peaceful learning ONE world in diversity – with emphasis on providing children a chance through child-centered early education to enable life-long learning**. This vision proved impossible in France. Why? – Isa and I not having children – but “only” many children receiving a life's starting chance through the work of the *Peter-Hesse-Foundation* in deprived situations in our world – as clearly outlined in our traditional homepage, www.solidarity.org . France is demanding from me or Isa **70 %** of all remaining “possessions” in France, when we depart into an unknown future through our grave in Düsseldorf, Germany. In the meantime, both French apartments are sold and their value is being secured as good as possible in Germany.

Returning to my two short **trip reports**, first to Israel and once more to Iceland:

Back from a **two-week holiday in Tel Aviv**, Israel, I am happy and was surprised: Tel Aviv not only received us senior Germans with open-minded gentleness and even with compassion – compared to the rudeness in parts of our population in our home-country Germany. Yes, there are public political demonstrations in Israel and in Germany. Israel obviously protested right wing democratic decisions; Germans wanting a more just life for themselves, partly protesting the differences inside our democratic government. But beyond such democratic demonstrations, the people we met in Tel Aviv, especially young ones, were clearly more joyfully happy and loving compared to what I feel at home in Germany. In my view: At least in Tel Aviv the peaceful cross-participation of a multicultural and multi-coloured population is a good approach for what I hope to see in the future of **ONE World in diversity**: peaceful open-minded compassionate togetherness. Of course, the Israel-Palestinian conflict urgently needs healing, as much as I hope for peace in Europe and in our world.

Our trip to **Iceland** – for me not any more as Honorary Consul of Iceland in Düsseldorf, from which I had resigned – but as melancholic tourists was simply full of good memories. Almost thirty yearlong, from 1991 until 2020, I had served this special Nordic country with its persistent feeling for a spiritual living presence in nature in the form of “elves” and “trolls” in their population – but with no more spirit in politics. In several of our regular consular-meetings, I had appealed to Iceland's government officials to be – become again – conscious of their advanced spiritual presence in nature. In Iceland, elves remain relevant and positively influence the values of Iceland's population. Also, in Iceland permanent ice is melting, but people there are used to change in their nature and in regarding the value of their currency. They simply adopt their lives to change. Our humanity faces dramatic changes. We can help and vote for just political change and less for natural climate development. But we can change ourselves in favour of new integral views, solidarity and LOVE