

# Global Democracy Lab 2020

## Political Advocacy and Leadership

October 22, 2020 – February 25, 2021

A unique online course on political advocacy and leadership in global democracy.

Organized by World Parliament Experiment e. V. and supported by Democracy Without Borders e. V.



## The course

How will we define civil leadership after 2020? How to reimagine community organizing in a hypernormalized digital era? The Global Democracy Lab is a months-long online course that will engage in modern leadership training and explore the future of political advocacy.

The course will be online. You can join us from wherever you are, and you will have a chance to meet fellow participants from around the world. You will not be a mere observer, but a co-creator of an open, collaborative discourse on *change*.

### Learning sessions

2 sessions per month, 2 hours each session for 5 months.

There will be both theories and practices, supported by professional coaches with licensed materials from Harvard University, Institute for Leadership Development, Forum for Creative Leadership 9.0, and other sources.

### Dedicated practices

During the Weekly Parliament Time sessions, you will have the chance to put your existing ideas or campaigns to test; or create new actions that you wish to advocate. The dedicated exercises will be done in a supportive environment that gently helps you grow tenacity and prudence, calling forth the leader in you.

Flexible offline time for continued individual and group actions, cultivating leadership skills at your own pace.

## Who can join

The course is aimed at activists, community organizers, thinkers, and indeed, anyone interested in applying modern knowledge of leadership to their work and life. We offer this course to support anyone who wishes to step into a greater, more impactful role in their world, and help them be empowered as advocates for the good.

No prior leadership experience is required.

## Apply

Admission is donation-based. You can support this course by donating [here](#). (Hosted by Democracy Without Borders)

Please apply for your place by filling out the [online form](#) before **15 September, 2020**. We also consider late registrations, simply email us if you wish to join after the deadline.

## Contact

For enquiries and late registrations, please contact:

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## WEEK 1 October 22, 2020

Introduction: welcoming participants; course concepts and overview; the Global Voting Platform (GVP), organizing campaigns, and Parliament simulations.

Lead: Rasmus Tenbergen

*All times stated are Berlin time / CET (Central European Time).*

### **18:00-18:40**

Introducing participants, the purpose of Democracy Without Borders, Global Democracy Lab, and Political Advocacy and Leadership. Followed by Q&A.

Coach: Rasmus Tenbergen

### **18:40-19:20**

Weekly Parliament Time: Being an 'organizer'; managing individual campaigns and actions; start of Weekly Challenge > Case study: Camp Obama Model.

Coach: Yue Wang

### **19:20-20:00**

Introduction to the Global Voting Platform (GVP), including 20 minutes for testing the tool and creating proposals.

Coach: Michael Weidinger

## WEEK 2 October 29, 2020

Reflections: Week 1 leadership theories. Participants will start presenting their intended campaigns or actions, and garner support via the Global Voting Platform (GVP).

Lead: Rasmus Tenbergen

### **18:00-18:30**

Reflecting on leadership theories, political advocacy, managing campaigns and actions.

Coach: Rasmus Tenbergen

### **18:30-19:30**

Weekly Parliament Time: sharing intended actions or campaigns; propose motions and garner support; Week 2 Challenge.

Coach: Yue Wang & Vladan Lausevic

### **19:30-20:00**

Reflection time and Q&A.

Coach: Michael Weidinger

### **Week 1 and 2 Challenge**

Get votes for your campaign or action on the GVP.

## **WEEK 3**

### **November 19, 2020**

Introduction: continuing on modern leadership, including transformational leadership, leadership by negotiation, post-conventional leadership, agile leadership, and more.

Lead: Sebastian Lorenz

#### **18:00-18:30**

Further exploration on leadership and agile campaign management.

Coach: Sebastian Lorenz & Lars Luennenburger

#### **18:30-19:30**

Weekly Parliament Time: campaign exercises and group dialogue on proposed ideas with coaching; Week 3 Challenge.

#### **19:30-20:00**

Reflection time and Q&A.

Coach: Michael Weidinger

## **WEEK 4**

### **November 26, 2020**

Reflections: leadership concepts from Week 3; a look at WeQ and political advocacy.

Lead: Sebastian Lorenz

#### **18:00-18:30**

Reflections on modern leadership; VUCA World.

Coach: Sebastian Lorenz & Lars Luennenburger

#### **18:30-19:30**

Weekly Parliament Time: continue to practice campaigns and actions, supported by coaches; Week 4 Challenge.

#### **19:30-20:00**

Reflection time and Q&A.

Coach: Michael Weidinger

#### **Week 3 and 4 Challenge**

Get a majority for your campaign on the GVP.

## **WEEK 5**

### **December 10, 2020**

Introduction: negotiation, mediation and conflict, the art of persuasion. Practice the negotiation theories with case study and Parliament exercises.

Lead: Sebastian Lorenz

#### **18:00-18:30**

Presentation of mid-term reports by participants; concepts of negotiation, mediation and conflict, persuasion.

Coach: Sebastian Lorenz

#### **18:30-19:30**

Weekly Parliament Time: testing out negotiation skills with case study; Week 5 Challenge.

#### **19:30-20:00**

Reflection time and Q&A.

Coach: Michael Weidinger

## **WEEK 6**

### **December 17, 2020**

Reflections: analysis on Week 5 negotiation exercises. Continuing leadership exercises through Weekly Parliament Time.

Lead: Rasmus Tenbergen

#### **18:00-18:30**

Reflections: negotiation and political persuasion; discussion on mid-term reports.

Coach: Rasmus Tenbergen

#### **18:30-19:30**

Weekly Parliament Time: continued campaign exercises; Week 6 Challenge.

#### **19:30-20:00**

Reflection time and Q&A.

Coach: Michael Weidinger

#### **Week 5 and 6 Challenge**

Get as many delegates as possible for your candidate.

## **WEEK 7**

### **January 21, 2020**

Introduction: Leadership 9.0, New Global Enlightenment, and leading in complex global systems.

Lead: Karl-Josef Does

#### **18:00-18:30**

Spiral Dynamics Integral 9.0 and new leadership.

Coach: Karl Josef-Does

#### **18:30-19:30**

Weekly Parliament Time and the Creator Principle; Week 7 Challenge.

Coach: Yue Wang & Vladan Lausevic

#### **19:30-20:00**

Reflection time and Q&A.

Coach: Michael Weidinger

## **WEEK 8**

### **January 28, 2020**

Reflections: Week 7 principles. Leadership as mastery of life, continued Parliament exercises with coaching.

Lead: Yue Wang

#### **18:00-18:30**

Leadership as mastery of life.

Coach: Karl Josef-Does

#### **18:30-19:30**

Weekly Parliament Time: coached campaign exercises and Week 8 Challenge.

Coach: Yue Wang

#### **19:30-20:00**

Reflection time and Q&A.

Coach: Michael Weidinger

#### **Week 7 and 8 Challenge**

Get as much support as you can for your role on the GVP.

## WEEK 9 February 18, 2020

Introduction: campaign rhythms and peaks. Final Parliament exercises; group dialogue on course material.

Lead: Rasmus Tenbergen

### 18:00-18:30

Campaign rhythms and peaks; Q&A on all course material.

Coach: Rasmus Tenbergen

### 18:30-19:30

Final Weekly Parliament Time: Week 9 challenge.

Coach: Rasmus Tenbergen

### 19:30-20:00

Reflection time and Q&A.

Coach: Michael Weidinger

## WEEK 10 February 25, 2020

Reflections: presentations, end of Parliament vote, closing speech by a designated speaker, final outlook.

Lead: Rasmus Tenbergen

### 18:00-19:00

Presentation of selected Global Democracy Lab projects.

Coach: Rasmus Tenbergen

### 19:00-19:30

Closing speech (speaker TBD): *State of the World*.

Coach: Sebastian Lorenz & Vladan Lausevic

### 19:30-20:00

End of Global Democracy Lab: final reflections, debriefing, and outlook.

Coach: Rasmus Tenbergen

### Week 9 and 10 Challenge

Implement and integrate your campaign goals.



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