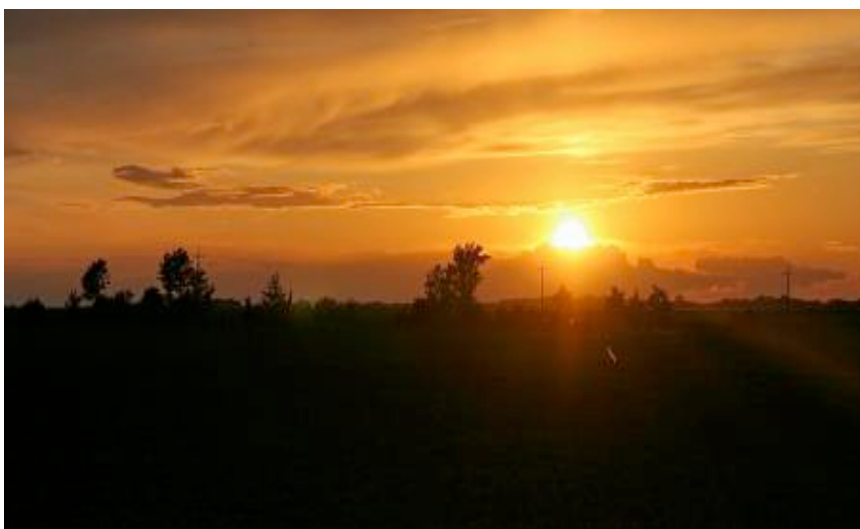


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## Taking action for the environment

In September 2014 the foundation Live To Love Germany, based in Hamburg, was established. The foundation is part of a globally acting network, whose founder is the Gyalwang Drukpa, leader of the 1000 year old tibetan-buddhist Drukpa tradition. Together with monks and nuns he covers hundreds of kilometres on meanwhile world-renown pilgrimages, the „Eco-Pad-Yatras“, collecting plastic garbage and bringing education on environmental and

climate protection to the most remote villages. Three years ago after the big flood in indian Ladakh tenthousand helpers planted close to 100.000 trees under his patronage.

In „Eyecamps“ people of the Himalayas suffering of cataract are treated by voluntary doctors, enabling them to regain their sight. For his commitment the Gyalwang Drukpa received the „Millenium Goals Award“ of the United Nations in 2010. Since then he has was awarded several further honors for his powerfull commitment.

The main emphasis of Hamburg's foundation currently is on environmental and animal protection. The team regularly collects plastic waste, mainly in Hamburg and in the Münster region. A focus is on the waterside of lakes and creeks, the dwelling of many birds. The animals confound the smallest plastic

particles with food, leading to their death once swallowed. With the actions of collecting plastic waste the Live To Love teams are making an effort to save the bird's life. Members of the foundation also planted several trees in cooperation with the NABU as a symbol for a climate protection. In the future amongst others mindfulness projects in schoolclasses are being planned, trying to put across that social responsibility can be quite joyfull and contagious. The Live To Lover's commitment during their activities is inspiring, like a spark easily cathing and inviting to join. The work is essentially based upon donations and the associate member's fee.

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