## Nicanor Perlas

## Wed. June 26, 7 pm Humanizing Artificial Intelligence

## Thurs. June 27, 7 pm Social Threefolding

Toronto Waldorf School Music Room, admission \$20 for each lecture. There will be a book signing after the talk on Wednesday evening.

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Nicanor Perlas is an adviser, global activist, writer and speaker on artificial intelligence, globalization, societal threefolding, Sustainable Integrated Area Development (SIAD), post-materialist science or the second and more spiritual scientific revolution, leadership, and self-mastery.

He has advised global civil society networks, social enterprises, UN and Philippine government agencies, including the Office of the President. He headed global and national civil society networks, that were responsible for stopping 12 nuclear power plants, banning 32 pesticide formulations, and mainstreaming sustainable development, including organic farming in the Philippines, thereby educating citizens worldwide on their inherent power to create a better world.

He has written over 500 articles, monographs, and books including **Shaping Globalization: Civil Society, Cultural Power and Threefolding**, an international bestseller, translated in 9 languages as well as **Humanity's Last Stand: The Challenge of Artificial Intelligence, A Spiritual Scientific Response**.

He has been a plenary speaker on a diverse range of topics, in over 100 global conferences in 25 countries and 130 national conferences in the Philippines. Perlas was recently Undersecretary Designate for the Department of Environment and Natural Resources. He is a member of the Philippine Senate Technical Working Group on Artificial Intelligence and is helping the mayors of seven cities and towns practice participatory governance and direct democracy by empowering altogether more than 300,000 citizens to collectively embark on sustainable development.

For the global impact of his work, he has been given, among others, the Outstanding Filipino Award (TOFIL), UNEP'S Global 500



Award and the Right Livelihood Award (Alternative Nobel Prize).

Perlas has been the resource person and keynote speaker in over 70 global conferences and events in over 20 countries, and over 120 national conferences on a range of topics including culture and societal transformation, integral sustainable development, globalization, technology, corporate social responsibility, science and spirituality, social threefolding, strategic micro finance, direct democracy and others.

He has provided consultancy work for several UN agencies, the Philippine Senate, donor agencies and foundations, as well as many other global and national civil society organizations and networks and businesses striving for ecological and social responsibility.

As a technical writer and key formulator of Philippine Agenda 21, as well as co-chair for the Civil Society of the Philippine Council for Sustainable Development, Office of the President of the Philippines, Perlas was invited to attend several UN meetings including the UN General Assembly on Sustainable Development, UNGASS and the UN Commission on Sustainable Development, 6th Session, as Technical Adviser to the Philippine Delegation to the UN.

Member, Mikhail Gorbachev's Commission on Globalization, Creative Member, Club of Budapest, Recognized as "highly creative innovators for a social and ecological sustainable world and a culture of peace". Agenda 21 is a program of action into the 21st century for bringing the Earth into a sustainable future. It was adopted by the participating governments of the world in the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development (UNCED), otherwise known as the Earth Summit, in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil in June 1992.

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