



December 2025 # III

# WSA CONNECT

## The World Subud Association Newsletter

Your opinion is very important!

If you have any comments or suggestions to the newsletter, please contact Amanda Rivera at [amanda.rivera@subud.org](mailto:amanda.rivera@subud.org)

## Editorial

**Here we are again – it's already December!**

**By Farah Czwiertnia, ISC Vice Chair**

Since the World Congress in Kalimantan in July 2024, I have been serving as ISC Vice Chair. It has taken some time to grow into this role, and that process is still ongoing – I'm learning all the time. I feel very fortunate to have such a good working relationship with Arifin, our ISC Chair, and living in the same city certainly helps. One core part of our work is meeting in person every week to talk through all matters and needs of the Brotherhood.

From the very beginning, it was clear to both of us that genuine cooperation can only happen when we are completely honest with one another.

The weekly Zoom meetings with the full ISC and WSA team have

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always been easy, it has been a very rich and rewarding one. Through these regular meetings – and also during the World Subud Council Meeting in Fatima – we felt a deep sense of connection that fills our shared work with joy.

These experiences have shown me how important this is, and they eventually led to the development of the long-overdue safeguarding concept. It has become clear that we, too, must address unwelcome incidents within our own community honestly. Avoiding uncomfortable matters because they may be painful only holds back our growth.

At the WSC meeting, we tested about “courage” and how we should face difficult situations. Moving from a feeling of heaviness to an “open acceptance, full of trust in the power of God” gives me insight and confidence – both in everyday life and in my work in Subud. For this, I am deeply grateful.

I wish you all the very best for the rest of the year and a blessed holiday season. I look forward to the coming year, with all its challenges, and to continuing our good work together.

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## ***Trending topics***

### **The source of the latihan**

By the International Helper Dewan

This letter was initially sent out to helpers around the world in September. We have received many positive responses and feel that we should share it with all our Subud Brothers and Sisters. We hope you find it useful.

The letter is available in the following languages:



***International Helper Dewan 2024 - 2028***

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## Highlights from the October World Subud Council meeting

By Rifka Several, WSA Chair 2024-2028

The Council met over two days, first a kejiwaan day which started with a video talk by Bapak (83 LON 8) followed by latihan and testing such questions as “how can I perform my role with courage?”

The meeting began with reports from affiliates (MSF, SICA, SDIA) and subcommittees (SYAI, SIHA and SES) and we can see how active these are... which resulted in a long meeting, but we learned a lot about what is going on in the “Subud world.”

[Learn more](#)

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## Have you printed the safeguarding poster yet?

If not, it is time to download it. The WSA Safeguarding Group has created this poster for Subud members to display in Subud houses and at Subud gatherings.

Safeguarding is an essential topic, and we encourage every group to begin open conversations within their national organizations. The WSA Working Group is currently developing guidelines and procedures to address abuse, harassment, and bullying within the World Subud Council. These procedures aim to ensure a safe and respectful environment across the international organization. National organizations will also be able to adapt the guidelines to align with their own country's regulations.

[Download Safeguarding poster](#)

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## *WSA services*

### The Subud Newsletter Collection

From Subud World News

searchable by subject, name, date, or event. It can be great fun to look up your own name or your local Subud group and discover what was happening over the years. For those interested in Subud history, these newsletters are also an invaluable resource for writing the story of your group or your country. Our earliest newsletter—Subud Chronicle—dates back to January 1958 in the UK. We have publications from most Subud countries, regions, and groups, including the international organization, wings, and affiliates.



However, the collection is still incomplete, and this is where we would greatly appreciate your help.

If your local group or region has published newsletters over the years, we would love to receive copies of the series. Please write to [admin@wsaarchives.org](mailto:admin@wsaarchives.org) to let us know what you have, and we can discuss how best to obtain a copy.

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## ***International Helpers Travels***

### **International Helper Travels 3..2..1...**

*We have recently had the privilege of visiting Subud groups in all corners of the world, from Colombia to Hungary and Thailand. We have met our Subud brothers and sisters and, through Latihan and testing, have strived to continue Bapak's work.*

## **Area 3 The Americas**

### **Hola Colombia and Panama**



Four International Helpers completed the second leg of their visit to Subud groups in Colombia—Medellín, Cúcuta, Bucaramanga, and the Costa Caribe region (Barranquilla, Santa Marta, and Cartagena)—with an additional stop in Panama.

[Learn more](#)

## Area 2 Europe and Africa





## Hallo Austria

“About 45 members attended the gathering. Each day started with latihan, and testing about harmony and "awakening" testing. The latihan felt very deep and strong.”

[Learn more](#)



## **Helló Hungary**

“Working with the helpers, we tested and received how important it was for helpers to have regular latihans together and for the men and women helpers to meet together on a regular basis in order to create an atmosphere where the latihan can flourish. This would also attract the members back to the group.”

[Learn more](#)

## **Area 1 Asia and Australasia**



### **Sawasdee Thailand**

For the past several years, it has usually been just one male helper, Ilias, who has been doing latihan regularly at the hall in Bangkok, while the only lady helper, Niramon, has been joining an elderly member usually at her home for latihan. Apart from visitors passing through, this has been the situation in Subud Thailand. Now, that seems to be changing.

[Learn more](#)

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## ***News from the Zones***

### **Zone 3**

#### **Subud Netherlands Update**





Subud Netherlands shares an inspiring update on group life, national latihans, and the close-knit connections made possible by their small but active community. With vibrant gatherings, a newly launched website and newsletter, and ongoing efforts to strengthen latihan spaces, their members continue to support one another with sincerity and warmth.

[Learn more](#)

## Zone 1 & 2

### Subud Indonesia events

Throughout the year, Subud Indonesia has offered an online Zoom space for members around the world to listen to Bapak's talks. As a continuation of this initiative, Subud Indonesia is organizing a full in-person event beginning on January 24, 2026, which will include group latihan, a visit to Bapak's grave in Sukamulya, and sessions featuring Bapak's talks. The program will then continue with a national meeting and the celebration of Subud Indonesia's anniversary, and will conclude with the Zone 1 & 2 Meeting.

## *Wings and affiliates*

The World Subud Association (WSA) kindly invites you to apply for the role of trustee of the Muhammad Subuh Foundation (MSF). We are looking to fill four vacancies at the World Subud Council Meeting in 2026.

We will inform you about the dates of this event as soon as they are confirmed. Active Subud members around the world are encouraged to consider applying.

Please read this letter to learn about the role and responsibilities of an MSF trustee; the minimum criteria to serve as a trustee; the nomination process, and the timeline of the appointment process.

The deadline to submit applications is March 31st, 2026.

**Call for new trustees**

**Nomination form**

### **Subud Youth Activities International**

Sebastian Wild from Subud Ecuador is one of the Subud Youth Activities International representatives.

We had the opportunity to dive into his personal experience in Subud, and his beautiful reflection on how to grow your “own inner garden”.



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## *World Latihan schedules*

### **January 3, 2026**

19:00 (Los Angeles); 21:00 (Mexico City); 22:00 (New York/Bogotá)

### **January 4, 2026**

00:00 (Santiago de Chile); 03:00 (GMT) (London); 04:00 (Paris); 10:00 (Jakarta);  
14:00 (Sydney); 16:00 (New Zealand)

### **February 1, 2026**

02:00 (Los Angeles); 04:00 (Mexico City); 05:00 (New York/Bogotá); 07:00 (Santiago de Chile); 10:00 (GMT) (London); 11:00 (Paris); 17:00 (Jakarta); 21:00 (Sydney);  
23:00 (New Zealand)

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## *Subud Gatherings*

### **The Americas gathering 2026 at Puerto Varas, Chile**



[See full presentation](#)

### **Family Congress 2026 at Milton Abbey School,**



[Learn more](#)

*Wishing everyone a season filled with peace, joy,  
and kindness. Whether you celebrate Christmas or  
simply enjoy the spirit of the holidays, may this  
time bring warmth to you and your loved ones.*



***Special Thanks***



respectively.

## Relevant links

Susila Dharma International Association (SDIA)

[www.susiladharma.org](http://www.susiladharma.org)

Subud International Cultural Association (SICA)

[www.subud-sica.org](http://www.subud-sica.org)

Subud Enterprise Services International (SESI)

[www.subudenterprise.com](http://www.subudenterprise.com)

Subud International Health Association (SIHA)

[www.subudhealth.org](http://www.subudhealth.org)

Muhammad Subuh Foundation (MSF)

[www.msubuhfoundation.org](http://www.msubuhfoundation.org)

Subud Marketplace

[www.subudmarketplace.com](http://www.subudmarketplace.com)

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### ***Deadline for next content submission***

Please send your news and newsletters or any comments to **[amanda.rivera@subud.org](mailto:amanda.rivera@subud.org)** before January 15, 2026.

Upcoming Subud events please go to [www.subudworldnews.com](http://www.subudworldnews.com), events page

Thanks you for sharing.

### ***Guidelines on using Subud symbol & quoting Bapak's and Ibu's talks***

Check the WSA guidelines on using Subud symbol and quoting Bapak and Ibu's talks. The Subud symbol is exclusive property of the World Subud Association.

GUIDELINES:

<https://www.subud.org/symbol-quoting-guidelines/>

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