



Globe Smart explained in TED talk

VOORBURG, The Netherlands – Dec. 4, 2015 - Today, TEDxEde published its latest TEDx talks online, including our Anne K. Glick speaking about “From fearful to Globe Smart”.

Anne rocked the TED stage last October explaining why Globe Smart is the new way to go. For long humans have learned to be wary of things that feel foreign, to back away rather than approach. In Anne's view, in our globalized world, this is no longer a smart instinct. World citizens of the future will be happier and more successful when they are Globe Smart.

The talk explains how our fear keeps us from connecting to new people and from being happy and successful in a diverse globalized world.

“Fear is a most basic human emotion. For millions of years, fear of the unfamiliar, of the foreign, of situations where we couldn’t predict what would happen because we didn’t know the people or the place, that instinctual fear kept our ancestors alive. It was essential for our survival. But this isn’t a million or even 1000 or even 100 years ago. This is 2015, and that fight or flight instinct has gone from being essential to being an obstacle to peace, security and possibly even our survival.”

The topic resonated well with the audience in these times of global turbulence, immigrant waves and updated sustainable development goals.

The talk ends with a call to action to all of us: “Let’s think of the foreign as not yet familiar” and overcome our basic fear to expand our bubbles.

“The bigger we make our bubble, the more safe and secure we feel no matter where we are or whom we’re with. And that confidence and willingness to engage will ripple out, encouraging others and creating a new global trajectory in which we are all Globe Smart.”

Click the link here to watch the Youtube video of Anne’s TEDx talk:

<https://youtu.be/fDUcSNSSFS8>

Anne is the co-founder of Globe Smart Kids (www.globesmartkids.org) and the maker of One Globe Kids education materials (www.oneglobekids.com) which are created to do just that: make the foreign feel familiar by letting young children explore the world from the safety and comfort of their living/class room. With new technology, Anne helps them move beyond prejudice towards openness, mutual liking and friendship with those from outside their daily bubble, both near and far.

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