Many roads lead to the commons: the collaborative economy, open culture, technology and knowledge sharing, shared meaning-making, protecting biodiversity, seed saving, our natural resources, and more.

As “commoners” we practice engaging with others to create impact that lasts longer and is more sustainable than anything we can accomplish on our own. Together we maintain and govern the infrastructures that benefit the public as a whole and beyond.

We invite you to join us in shared inquiry for a 3-day gathering in beautiful rural Ireland!

The core of our inquiry centres on the following questions:

What becomes possible when we harness our collective capacity in service of the commons?

- How can the commons, peer-to-peer and participatory approaches support the transition to a more sustainable way of life?
- Can we create livelihoods through co-operatives that enrich and sustain the commons?
- How can a commons-based collaborative economy strengthen the resilience of our communities?

3 days from August 25th - 27th, 2015.

For booking and more information see below or at ...

www.openeverything.ie
Participation Fee:
There are only 40 places available for this event and full participation in the 3 days is required.

There is an early bird rate for bookings made before June 30th and we need 15 participants to have registered and paid before this date to make this event work! If you wish to attend please register right away.

Standard Fee: €380 *early bird rate €340
Low Income Fee: €350 *early bird rate €310
*This fee includes lunches over the 3 days but does not include dinners or accommodation. There are different options for dinners within walking distance.
*There will be a small amount of bursary options available. This depends on how many paying registrations we will have.

Booking Summer School:
To book a place contact Philippa at Cultivate <philippa@cultivate.ie>

Accommodation:
Accommodation is available in Cloughjordan, walking distance from the venue. To book Django’s Eco-Hostel see www.djangoshostel.com or call +353 87 256 9348. Some other B&B accommodation is also available contact philippa@cultivate.ie for a list.

For more information:
Contact Davie Philip davie@cultivate.ie or Kevin Flanagan kevin@p2pfoundation.net

Unique Setting for the Summer School
The summer school will be held in the new WeCreate Workspace in Cloughjordan, winner of Ireland’s national Green Community award and also the UN backed International Award for Liveable Communities.

In this setting, you will be able to see many commons initiatives and key sustainable community systems in working practice and hear the stories of people seeking to play their part in the transition to a low carbon society.

Cloughjordan is a vibrant, rural village where progressive projects have been successfully integrated into a traditional local community. The Ecovillage offers a rich environment for learning about the mainstreaming of sustainability and progressing a commons approach. Of course the ecovillage also has its challenges, and contributing to its ever-developing life will provide another opportunity for learning unexpected things by doing.

The blending of people with different skills and backgrounds, from within the peer-to-peer, commons and sustainability movements and the community of practitioners of the Art of Hosting offers unprecedented opportunities for learning and the emergence of novel synergies. Sharing our practices, knowledge and experiences within the setting of the emerging ecosystem of innovation that is the Cloughjordan Ecovillage will offer many great benefits for individuals, communities and beyond.