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Centre for Alternative Technology (CAT)

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1973 - ongoing

Description:

The CAT originated in 1973 in Wales as an experimental community dedicated to eco-friendly principles and a 'test bed' for new ideas and technologies. In 1975 it opened a Visitor Centre and, in the 1980s, a study centre running residential courses on all aspects of green living: environmental building, eco-sanitation, woodland management, renewable energy, energy efficiency and organic growing.

Goals:

To search for globally sustainable, whole and ecologically sound technologies and ways of life.

Beneficial Outcomes:

During the last 40 years, the center has been offering free information, curriculum-based education, residential education trips, and teacher training to visiting schools, colleges and universities. It also publishes books on key environmental issues, runs a graduate school, and a successful volunteer programmes for those that want to gain hands-on experience. Finally, it has a growing network of supporter members who receive their quarterly magazine and an invite to their annual conference.

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