



## II CATHOLIC SOCIAL DAYS FOR EUROPE

### *CHRISTIAN FAITH AND THE FUTURE OF EUROPE*

Madrid, 18<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> September 2014

The Catholic Social Days for Europe will take place at *Seminario Conciliar* in Madrid (Calle de San Buenaventura 9)

#### Thursday, 18<sup>th</sup> September 2014

- 18:00 *Chapel, Seminario Conciliar de Madrid*  
**Opening Mass**  
Presided by H.E. Mgr. Juan José Omella Omella, Bishop of Calahorra y La Calzada-Logroño and President of the Episcopal Commission for Social Pastoral care of the Spanish Bishops' Conference
- Auditorium, Seminario Conciliar de Madrid*
- 19:00 **OPENING SESSION**  
**Greetings**  
H.Em. Cardinal Antonio María Rouco Varela, Apostolic administrator of Madrid  
H.Em. Cardinal Angelo Bagnasco, Vice-President of CCEE  
H.Em. Cardinal Reinhard Marx, President of COMECE
- The contribution of the Christian faith for the present and the future of Europe: the person**  
Rev. Fr. Javier Prades López, Rector of San Dámaso Ecclesiastical University, Madrid
- 21:00 *Refectory, Seminario Conciliar de Madrid*  
Dinner

## **Friday, 19<sup>th</sup> September 2014**

- 08:00 Breakfast (Hotels)
- 09:00 *Chapel, Seminario Conciliar de Madrid*  
**Holy Mass**  
Presided by H.Em. Card. Reinhard Marx, Archbishop of Munich and Freising and President of COMECE
- 10:00 *Auditorium, Seminario Conciliar de Madrid*  
**FIRST SESSION**  
**Crisis or Change? A unique opportunity? The perspective of changing of European society**  
**Witnesses**
  - Mr. Antonis Skoullou  
Managing Director of *Oracle Cyprus, Hardware and Software*
  - Mr. Jaime Mayor Oreja  
Former Member of the European Parliament
  - Sister Débora Córdoba Cerezo  
Missionaries of Charity, Madrid
- 10:40 **A Social Europe?**  
H.Em. Card. Reinhard Marx, Archbishop of Munich and Freising and President of COMECE
- 11:30 Coffee break
- 12:00 Debate
- 13:30 *Refectory, Seminario Conciliar de Madrid*  
Lunch
- 16:15 *Auditorium, Seminario Conciliar de Madrid*  
**SECOND SESSION**  
**Re-thinking about economy and work in a Christian perspective**  
**The economic crisis in Europe and its impact on families. How to overcome it? The contribution of the Social Doctrine of the Church**  
Prof. Stefano Zamagni, University of Bologna (Italy)
- 17:15 Debate
- 18:00 **Workshops:**  
**What future for today's young people in Europe?**  
Chair: H.E. Mgr. Gianni Ambrosio, Bishops of Piacenza-Bobbio and Vice-President of COMECE  
Speakers: Mr. Martin Wilde, General Secretary of the European chapter of the International Christian Union of Business Executives (UNIAPAC, Union Internationale des Associations Patronales Chretiennes) & General Secretary of the Associations of Catholic Entrepreneurs (Germany); José Fernando Almazán, President of HOAC (Spain), Representative of the European Christian Workers Movement; Piergiorgio Sciacqua, Co-President of the European Centre for

Workers  
*Workshop with simultaneous interpretation in English, Italian and Spanish*

### **Immigration & Emigration**

Chair: H.E. Mgr. Arrigo Miglio, Bishop of Cagliari (Italy)

Speakers: Prof. José Tomás Raga, Director General *Paul VI Foundation* (Spain); János Józsa (Romania)

*Workshop held in English*

### **Trans-generational solidarity and welfare systems in Europe**

Chair: H.E. Mgr. Youssef Soueif, Maronite Archbishop of Cyprus

Speaker: Mr. Paweł Dembiński, Director of the *Observatoire de la Finance* (Switzerland)

*Workshop held in English*

### **The culture of charity and the tradition of volunteering**

Chair: S.E. Mons. Juan Antonio Martínez Camino, Auxiliary Bishop of Madrid

Speaker: Javier Menéndez Ros, National Director of *Ayuda a la Iglesia Necesitada* (Spain)

*Workshop held in Spanish*

20:00      Pause  
20:30      *Chapel, Seminario Conciliar de Madrid*  
              Vespers  
  
              *Refectory, Seminario Conciliar de Madrid*  
21:00      Dinner

## **Saturday, 20<sup>th</sup> September 2014**

08:00      Breakfast (Hotels)  
09:00      *Chapel, Seminario Conciliar de Madrid*  
              **Holy Mass**  
              Presided by H.Em. Card. Angelo Bagnasco, Archbishop of Genoa and CCEE Vice-President  
  
              *Auditorium, Seminario Conciliar de Madrid*  
**10:00      THIRD SESSION**  
              **The human person and the family as the basis of society and human rights**  
              **Human person as “pre-political “ foundation of human rights**  
              Prof. Balázs Schanda, Catholic University of Budapest (Hungary)  
  
11:00      **Marriage and family: school of belonging and participation in the common good**  
              Mrs. Breda O’Brien, Columnist at *The Irish Times* (Ireland)  
  
11:45      Coffee break

12:15

**Workshops:**

**Freedom and Education**

Chair: H.E. Mgr. Kęstutis Kevalas, Bishop of Kaunas (Lithuania)

Speaker: Mrs. Anne Coffinier, General Director of *Foundation pour l'École* (France)

*Workshop with simultaneous interpretation in English, Italian and Spanish*

**Demographic Crisis and Family Policies in Europe**

Chair: H.E. Mgr. Jean-Claude Hollerich, Archbishop of Luxembourg

Speaker: Mrs. Maria Hildingsson, Secretary General of FAFCE – *Federation of Catholic Family Associations in Europe* (Belgium)

*Workshop held in English*

**Human Life in the Technological Age**

Chair: H.E. Mgr. Juan José Omella Omella, Bishop of Calahorra y La Calzada-Logroño (Spain)

Speaker: Prof. Antonio Pardo Caballos, University of Navarra (Spain)

*Workshop held in Spanish*

14:00

*Refectory, Seminario Conciliar de Madrid*

Lunch

16:00

*Auditorium, Seminario Conciliar de Madrid*

**CLOSING SESSION**

**“Christ is the source of Hope for Europe”**

**Final Synthesis**

Mrs. Maria Durão, Apoio à Vida (Portugal)

Mr. Ondrej Socuvka, Central European Business and Social Initiative (Slovakia)

**Conclusion**

H.E. Mgr. Giampaolo Crepaldi, Archbishop of Trieste and President of the CCEE Commission *Caritas in Veritate*

H.E. Mgr. Gianni Ambrosio, Bishop of Piacenza-Bobbio and Vice-President of COMECE

**Free time for a visit to Madrid**

20:00

*Almudena Cathedral*

**Prayer Vigil for Europe**

21:30

*Refectory, Seminario Conciliar de Madrid*

Dinner

## Sunday, 21<sup>st</sup> September 2014

- 09:00**      *Meeting point in front of Almudena Cathedral*  
**Sight-seeing Visit to Madrid**
- 12:00**      *Almudena Cathedral*  
**Holy Mass**  
Presided by H.Em. Cardinal Antonio María Rouco Varela, Apostolic administrator of Madrid
- 14:00**      *Refectory, Seminario Conciliar de Madrid*  
Lunch

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