Sowing Hope for the Planet

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Please join us for an online follow-up to the International Conference on the 3rd Anniversary of Laudato Si “SAVING OUR COMMON HOME AND THE FUTURE OF LIFE ON EARTH”

The conference will be held on July 5 and 6, 2018. Hosted by the Dicastery for the Promotion of Integral Human Development it promises to be a very exciting event. During the webinar who participated at the Conference will share their experiences.

Fr. Felix Mushobozi, CPPS and Sr. Sheila Kinsey, FCJM will be among those willing to share

Join the online meeting: https://zoom.us/j/867626947

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Everything is interconnected

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Assessing the impact of and envisaging the journey ahead.
“What kind of world do we want to leave to those who come after us, to children who are now growing up?”

~Pope Francis
Opening Prayer Children: Canticle of Creation
O Most High, all-powerful, good Lord God, to you belong praise, glory, honor and all blessing.

Be praised, my Lord, for all your creation and especially for our Brother Sun, who brings us the day and the light; he is strong and shines magnificently.

O Lord, we think of you when we look at him.

Be praised, my Lord, for Sister Moon, and for the stars which you have set shining and lovely in the heavens.

Be praised, my Lord, for our Brothers Wind and Air and every kind of weather by which you, Lord, uphold life in all your creatures.

Be praised, my Lord, for Sister Water, who is very useful to us, and humble and precious and pure.

Be praised, my Lord, for Brother Fire, through whom you give us light in the darkness: he is bright and lively and strong.

Be praise, my Lord, for Sister Earth, our Mother, who nourishes us and sustains us, bringing forth fruits and vegetables of many kinds and flowers of many colors.

Be praised, my Lord, for those who forgive for love of you; and for those who bear sickness and weakness in peace and patience - you will grant them a crown.

Be praised, my Lord, for our Sister Death, whom we must all face.

I praise and bless you, Lord, and I give thanks to you, and I will serve you in all humility. (St. Francis of Assisi)
Urgency and Profound Concern for our Planet

• Integral ecology
• Intergenerational event
• Dialogue on many levels
• Methodology of SEE, JUDGE and ACT
• Massive movement
• Participatory lines of action
WHERE ARE WE?
(Listening to the Cry of the Earth and Cry of the Poor)

 Integral ecological approach to look at the crisis of our common home from a holistic perspective so as to hear “both the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor” (LS, 49).
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(Listening to the Cry of the Earth and Cry of the Poor)

Are We:

- Climate change: Hearing the Cry of the Poor and the Cry of the Earth?
- OIKO-NOMIA: Serving Our Common Home?
- Churches and Religions: On the Path to Ecological Conversion?
- Indigenous and Young People: Are Their Voices Heard?

- Climate Change–A Last Call for the Planet
- Global Stocktake–How is the Paris Agreement going?
- Integral Ecology–How Ecological Degradation is Affecting the Poorest
WHERE DO WE WANT TO GO?
(Judging the Crisis of Our Common Home)

Criteria to understand

The inspiration to care for our common home ultimately springs from our faith that the natural world is God’s creation entrusted to our care.

As Pope Francis writes “faith convictions can offer ... ample motivation to care for nature and for the most vulnerable of their brothers and sisters” (LS, 64).
WHERE DO WE WANT TO GO?  
(Judging the Crisis of Our Common Home)

- The **Natural World** as the **Gospel** (Good News) of Creation
- The **Economic Reasons** to Act and to Act Immediately
- Integral Ecology for Integral **Human Flourishing**
“May our struggles and concerns for this planet never take away our hope” (LS 244).
Call of Francis

FRANCESCO, VA E RIPARA LA NOSTRA CASA

Francis, go and repair our home!
The ultimate challenge of *Laudato Si’* is to act, moving away from the “dominant technocratic paradigm” along with its associated concept of a “superdevelopment” of a wasteful and consumerist kind (LS, 109) to the ideal of integral human flourishing.
HOW TO INSPIRE A MASSIVE MOVEMENT FOR THE CARE OF OUR COMMON HOME?
(Acting Together to Save the Earth)

- **Climate Change**: Raising ambition towards COP 24
- **OIKO-NOMIA** – Moving towards a **New Economy**: A Message to Bali
- **Churches and Religions**: Towards the Season of Creation
- **Indigenous and Young People**: Towards the respective Synods of 2018 and 2019

- **Eco-justice**: Responding to the Cry of the **Earth** and the Cry of the **Poor** in the Light of CST
- **Global Ecological Conversion**: Building a Massive Movement to Protect Our Common Home
- **Sustainable Economy**: Time for a “Marshall Plan” for our Common Home
GOOD PRACTICES FOR THE CARE OF OUR COMMON HOME

- **Laudato Si’ and Education:** Tarumitra, a movement of 2000 schools in North India
- **Laudato Si’ and Finance:** Ethical investments in an Era of Climate Change
- **Laudato Si’ and Advocacy:** Taking Climate Change Seriously
PARTICIPATORY ACTION PLANS FOR THE CARE OF OUR COMMON HOME

- **Season of Creation**—Faith Communities
- **IMF and World Bank Annual Meetings**—Economics and Finance
- **Synod on Youth and Synod on the Amazon**—Youth and **Intergenerational Justice**, Indigenous Peoples and Forests
- **Global Climate Action Summit**—with Civil Society (San Francisco)
- **COP24**—Politics and Advocacy (Katowice)
Road map ahead for the fruits of the Conference

i) Raise ambition for the 1.5°C guardrail
   (San Francisco, COP 24 – Katowice)

ii) Transition towards a Circular Economy
    – transfer investment and finance

iii) Greater Involvement of Faith Communities
     - Season of Creation

iv) A People’s Movement – the special role
    Young People and Indigenous communities
     (the forthcoming Synods)
Dialogue
Engagement
For more information

http://laudato-si-conference.com/updates/

“I urgently appeal, then, for a new dialogue about how we are shaping the future of our planet.” (Laudato Si’ 14)