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SOME PRACTICAL ISSUES BEFORE THE CONFERENCE

Dear friends:

First of all I send you my own best wishes and those of the organizing committee. So far a lot of plans have been put in place and we are in the process of finalizing the finer details in preparations for our Conference. We are hoping that all of the registration and payments will be processed on line.

Some of you have been asking about the Conference so the following practical information should be of help to you in your planning:

1. Location and dates:

- a. The venue for the Conference is John XXIII Salesian SDB Sprituality House. There is also accommodation in El Pilar the Salesian FMA House, which is in the same locality, just ten minutes walking distance. The address is:
Seville Road - Huelva s/n
41800 Sanlúcar la Major (Seville)
- b. On February 25 transport will be provided to the Conference venue from San Pablo Airport and from Santa Justa Rail Station. Transport will also be provided to both places on the evening of the 28th.
- c. The Conference will begin on February 25 with dinner (21.00 hours approximately) and will finish on Sunday, the 28th of February with lunch (15.00 hours approximately).
- d. Accommodation is available at the Conference venue from the 24th until the 29th. If this is required it must be indicated on the application form. The cost per day for full board is €50 per person. Transport will not be provided should participants arrive or depart on these days.
- e. There are not many flight connections with Seville (San Pablo Airport). However, there is the option of the high-speed trains that connect Seville (Santa Justa Station) with Madrid (2h 30 min) or with Malaga (1h 50min), and there are better air connections in those cities.
- f. The airport nearest to Seville is that of Jerez (Cadiz). The connection to Seville by bus or train takes 1 h.

2. Costs:

We are still finalizing the details of the budget. But at this point in time registration will cost in the region of €300.

3. Participants:

We must adhere strictly to the number of places reserved for participants from each country. All of our available accommodation is full to capacity. A number of people will have to share rooms so we will be asking you to indicate in the application form if you are willing to share. We would greatly appreciate if you could facilitate us in this regard.

If some country is not going to use all of the reserved places we ask that you let the organising group know as soon as possible.

4. Languages:

The Conference will have professional simultaneous translation in Spanish, English and Italian. We will also have the technical support that will enable simultaneous translation for two other languages. Those countries that wish to avail of the option of translation in their own language should find a translator or pay for a professional local translator. Any such arrangements should be made in agreement with the organizing committee

It is important that all the participants understand one of the official languages of the Conference so that they can benefit from the group work.

5. Registration

During November we will have a web page set up so that it will be possible to register and to pay for the Conference on-line. Also a number of bank accounts will be set up to enable people to do a credit transfer. Registration must be completed before December 30.

In this web page we will also try to include some interesting information.

We hope that this information is helpful. The Organizing Committee available to answer any of your queries. The e-mail contact is info.congreso@pjs.es

We send you our kindest regards and we hope that this Conference will help us to continue to grow in loyalty to our charism in the Europe of today.

All the best for now.

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