

APPENDIX

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INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL

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Laudato Si'

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Laudato Si'

We are blessed by the wisdom and example set before us in *Laudato Si'*, an encyclical drawing so deeply from the spirit of Francis. In its content and method, we commend it to the brothers and exhort all to take up the challenges of this document and the invitation of the General Definitory for 2017 in accordance with the decisions of the General Chapter 2015 to embrace the ecological conversion which it puts before us. This document provides a framework for us to live as men of peace and justice and attuned to the cry of our sister, Mother Earth.

BOLIVARIANA

Announce the project of the Continental Pilgrimage of the icons of Francis and Clare, to promote the understanding and implementation of *Laudato Si'*.

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CONO SUR

Implement the Continental Pilgrimage of the icons of Francis and Clare, promoting the values of JPIC and the encyclical *Laudato Si'*.

COMPI

The next meeting is to review with all the animators of the conference the documents, in particular the Jakarta Document and the encyclical *Laudato Si'*.

BRASILIANA

Take up *Laudato Si'* as conferences and entities. Take up as a conference the pilgrimage of icons in Brazil, encouraging the Franciscan family and the entities.

EAC

Take up *Laudato Si'* and the ICJPIC documents of Jakarta and Verona as conferences and entities. Encourage the solidarity within the Conference accordingly.

SAAOC

Encourage people to understand. Implement the encyclical *Laudato Si'* in the daily life. Spread out the Franciscan cosmic spirituality of justice, peace and integrity of creation.



New Lifestyle

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New
Lifestyle

In the spirit of *Laudato Si'* we are called to look critically at our own personal and communal **LIFESTYLES**, to assess their impact upon others and the environment. With every passing year we see before us the consequences of fractured relationships with the earth and within our own fraternities. We must assess what we can change and embrace that change.

N.S. GUADALUPE

Raise awareness about the necessity of change of lifestyle, doing so in relation to:

- a) The Conference, regarding climate change (in this way, involving experts as well).
- b) Promote popular workshops.
- c) Organize ecological fairs (especially for children and youth).
- d) Speak to groups that work in this area, whether secular or religious.

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BOLIVARIANA

Encourage the realization of an ecological plan in the entities and fraternities.

CONFRES

Insist on the necessity for conversion and metanoia, through the materials we already have.

CONO SUR

Animate and accompany each entity in the formation of their ecological plan.

Strengthen the JPIC Course in initial formation.

Promote and distribute videos and reflection guides on our new lifestyle.

COTAF

Workshops for other friars.

COMPI

Promote in the province a school on the new lifestyle in conjunction with the network for a new lifestyle, which already exists on a national level.

Adopt the encyclical 'Laudato Si' and use the materials written by the JPIC Office of the Order.

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BRASILIANA

Work on our lifestyle, with our JPIC values in formation and mission.

EAC

In order to bring changes in our lifestyle, we will,

- a) Take up workshops and symposiums on Climate Change.
- b) Activate ecological study & working groups within the entities as well as among the people.
- c) Work on the formation of ecological volunteer workers.

SAAOC

Raise awareness on the necessity of change of lifestyle through these actions:

- a) Promote the implementation of the document of "Care for Creation in Daily Life of the Friars Minor" in the personal, community and entity level.
- b) Reduce the use of plastics, Styrofoam, and all the other material that becomes the chemical waste.
- c) Reduce water and energy consumption in every community as a way of promoting the eco-friendly lifestyle in the society.
- d) Promote fair trade as a way of solidarity..



Mining

We set before you too the problems that **MINING** has caused throughout the world. The ores and minerals of the earth bring many gifts to us, but too often the techniques of mining, the displacement and disempowerment of people, the poisoning of soil and water, corruption and arrogance of many mining groups and the unjust sharing of the wealth of mining prompt us to question its true worth. Time and again we heard from brothers of the harm of mining and their ongoing struggle to establish justice for all in this industry. We exhort brothers and sisters to stand in solidarity with the poor and the earth to redress this imbalance.

N.S. GUADALUPE

- a) Provide information and formation on mining.
- b) Articulate to NGOs that they are already working in this area.
- c) Help the movements that work against mining.
- d) Get in contact with Honduras and El Salvador, which are experiencing the problems of mining.

CONO SUR

Strengthen the JPIC course in initial formation.
Maintain and strengthen the work and collaboration in the network or together with groups and organizations that are involved in mining in each country.

COTAF

Work on mining as a problem in Colombia and Indonesia with two NGOs (German Office on Human rights in Colombia and Power Shift).

COMPI

Urge the province and localities to boycott the system that promotes fuels that come from mining, and join organizations that use renewable energy sources.

BRASILIANA

Articulate and participate in mining issues, in seminars, symposiums, debates, and marches, and raise awareness on the issue of water.

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EAC

- a) Collaborate with civil society on the issue.
- b) Promote the education on the mining, energy consumption, and pollution as the consequence.

SAAOC

Raise awareness on the impact of mining to the community and environment, through activities such as:

- a) Foster communication in order to share information on mining and advocacy activities within the Conference and other working groups of the issue.
- b) Take up seminars, workshops and trainings for the effected communities of the mining site and other involved stakeholders.
- c) Do research on the structure of the mining industry (collecting data, analysis and publishing the outcome of research) so that advocacy ministry can be based on concrete data and raise awareness among people on the impact of the industry.
- d) Collaborate with Franciscans International on the mining issue



Migration

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The imbalance of an economic, social and religious crisis has also created the phenomenon of **MIGRATION**. This has always been with us but on this scale many nations and groups have curtailed hospitality and welcome to those forced to flee their homes and families, leaving them without financial aid or shelter. This situation is likely only to increase in the years ahead as climate change drives many more from their traditional homelands. How we respond to these our sisters and brothers will be one of the great issues of the future and challenges us to stand in solidarity with the powerless pilgrims of our age.

Migration

N.S. GUADALUPE

- a) Go deeper into the phenomenon of migration.
- b) Participate in migration forums and meetings.
- c) Support the interprovincial house in northern Mexico for working with migrants.
- d) Help “La 72,” the house for migrants in Tenosique, Tabasco.
- e) Participate in the network of migrants.
- f) Promote with the entire Franciscan family a Franciscan network of assistance for migrants.

CONO SUR

Strengthen the JPIC course in initial formation.
Maintain and strengthen the work and collaboration in the network or in conjunction with groups and organizations that are involved in immigration in each country.

COTAF

Help refugees and migrants in some of our houses and as JPIC animators.

COMPI

Ask the Minister General to send a strong signal welcoming at least one immigrant family in our Curia.

NORTH SLAVIC

Analyze the situation in Ukraine where there is war, what the Ukrainian friars can do for the people who are suffering from the war, and what things they can do to help both the people and the friars.

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BRASILIANA

Work on the question of immigration, in discussion forums in the entities.

EAC

Strengthen the network within the Conference regarding migration ministry. Promote a program to train more activists on the issue.

SAAOC

Take up concrete activities such as:

- a) Build collaboration with migration forum or migration networks.
- b) Coordinate seminars, workshops, discussion and sharing within the entities and people.
- c) Participate in helping suffering migrants.
- d) Strengthen communication within the Conference to share information on migration.

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