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“Africae Munus n°177

May the Catholic Church in Africa always be one of the spiritual lungs of humanity, and become daily an ever greater blessing for the noble African continent and for the entire world.”

Africae Munus n°177
Objectives

- To promote an understanding of Mission which sees JPIC as integral to the charisms of our Congregations and to Evangelization.
- To assist our members in Africa to arrive at greater awareness, clearer analysis and more effective action in the areas of JPIC.
- For greater effectiveness, to encourage networking between Congregations and the local Church and other bodies in Africa.
- To encourage connection with existing JPIC Centres and COMSAM (Confederation of Major Superiors of Africa and Madagascar) that will facilitate congregations in Africa to participate more fully in the promotion of JPIC.

Our Action in Africa

Organisation of training sessions

Starting in 2007, we launched a series of sessions in line with the African Synod, taking into account the context of each African region:

- Kinshasa, RDC (2007)
- Bamako, Mali (2009)
- Kampala, Uganda (2009)
- Beira, Mozambique (2010)
- Doebra-Windhoek, Namibia (2011)
- Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso (2014)
- Cotonou, Benin (2017)

Nine sessions with 20 to 35 participants were organised in collaboration with local JPIC commissions and with the national unions of religious congregations.

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Financing

Congregations share the costs with the help of donors and the support of Catholic Funding agencies.

Session Programme

- 1st week: Rereading participants' experiences through a social analysis and in the light of the Gospel and the Social Teaching of the Church.
- 2nd week: Input from resource persons on various themes including: Human Rights, Human Trafficking, Women Empowerment, Land Grabbing, Conflict Transformation, Caring for the common home, networking with AEFJN and Talitha Kum, ……seeking to promote peaceful and constructive social relations between ethnic and religious groups.

The JPIC Africa Group responds to the call and invitation of “the Church … in Africa to be a witness in the service of reconciliation, justice and peace, as salt of the earth and light of the world” Africae Munus no. 15

Origin of the group

The JPIC Africa Group started in 2005 on the initiative of a group of General Councilors from Missionary Congregations present in Rome. It is a constituent group of the USG/UISG JPIC Commission.

Vision

Member congregations wish to promote the formation and engagement of their members in Africa in JPIC. This group affirms the values of collaboration, sharing and participation between congregations in Africa and with local Church bodies, as well as collaboration with other Faiths and Churches, and particularly with the JPIC promoters in Rome.