

Rome, July 12th 2018

Dear Brother Visitors and Lasallians,

It is my pleasure to address to you this letter officially announcing the Third International Assembly of the Lasallian Educational Mission which will take place at the Mother House in Rome from May 4th to 15th 2020. The theme is:

AIMEL 2020: IDENTITY – VITALITY – TRANSFORMATION: TOGETHER, WE MAKE IT POSSIBLE

This theme identifies three fundamental issues for our ongoing story of Lasallian Association: maturing in our mutual Lasallian vocations, leading to transformed lives and structures for the continuing vitality of the Lasallian mission. Our association for the Lasallian Mission is an act of hope affirming that it is possible be a vibrant force for good if we are united. I invite all of us to intensify this unity by preparing ourselves as best we can for this great event of communion on behalf of all those entrusted to our care, especially the vulnerable, the neglected and the abandoned.

The objectives of this 3rd International Assembly are "to… evaluate co-responsibility in the area of Association for the Lasallian Educational Mission throughout the whole Institute, and identify major tasks for the faithful and authentic exercise of the Lasallian Mission in view of proposing guidelines for future actions to the General Chapter."

Following discussions with the General Council in preparation for this assembly, I appointed in June a Preparatory Commission. The Preparatory Commission consists of the members of the International Council for Lasallian Association and the Educational Mission Council (CIAMEL) and members of the Secretariat for Association and Mission.

Ms. Alisa Macksey, CIAMEL Chair. (RELAN) Ms. Rose L. Dala (RELAF) Ms. Colette Allix (RELEM) Mr. Merv McCormack (PARC) Mr. Keane Palatino (International Young Lasallian Council) Brother Ferdinand Biziyaremye (RELAF) Brother Jesús Félix Martínez (RELEM) Brother Carlos M. Castañeda (RELAL) Brother Andrés Govela (IALU president)





Mrs. Heather Ruple Gilson, Co- Secretary of Lasallian Association Brother Francisco Chiva, Co-Secretary of Lasallian Association Brother Nestor Anaya, Secretary of Lasallian Mission

General Councilors Brother Gustavo Ramírez and Brother Rafael Matas will accompany the Preparatory Commission. Brother Antxon Andueza, Secretary General, will be responsible for logistics.

This Commission will meet twice each year and will soon write to you with all the necessary explanations concerning the process to be followed leading to the Assembly (number and choice of delegates, readings, preparation, etc).

The General Council elected two Lasallians to chair the Commission's own work, Assembly itself. They are:

Ms. Alisa Macksey, CIAMEL Chair, and Brother Nestor Anaya, Secretary of Lasallian Mission

I thank them. With me, they will have the pleasure of welcoming the delegates to our Assembly in May 2020.

Sincerely,

Stro, Robert Schieler, FSC

Brother Superior

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