



PONTIFICAL COUNCIL FOR SOCIAL COMMUNICATIONS

Catholic Press Congress

Programme

Day 1 – Monday – 4 October 2010

Morning

- 8,30** Registration and Welcome
- 10,00** Opening words and introduction of **Archbishop Claudio Maria Celli**, *President of the Pontifical Council for Social Communications*
- 10,30** The Future of the Press: Challenges and Opportunities.
- **Amy Mitchell**, Deputy Director, *Pew Research Center (Project for Excellence in Journalism)*
- **Ferruccio de Bortoli**, Director, *Corriere della Sera*
- **Michael Prüller**, Deputy Director, *Die Presse*
- 13,00** *Lunch*

Afternoon

- 3,00** Video: “Identity, vitality and mission of the Catholic press in the world today”, *Groupe Bayard*
- 3,30** The Catholic Press: Global Challenges.
- **Marco Tarquinio**, Director, *Avvenire*
- **Dominique Quinio**, Director, *La Croix*
- **Michael Rutz**, Director, *Rheinischer Merkur*
- **Greg Erlandson**, President, *Our Sunday Visitor*
- 4,30** *Coffee break*
- 5,00** **Group Work.** Delegates gather in groups to discuss present state of Catholic press and future possibilities
- 6,00** Plenary Feedback

Day 2 – Tuesday – 5 October 2010

Morning

- 9,00** The Catholic Press: Expectations and Hopes.
- **Stanislas Lalanne**, Bishop of Coutances e Avranches
- **Gian Maria Vian**, Director, *L'Osservatore Romano*
- **Carol Andrade**, Editor, *Afternoon Despatch and Courier (Mumbai)*
- **Bernadine Mfumbusa**, Faculty of Communications, *Saint Augustine University (Tanzania)*
- **Carlos Arturo Quintero**, Secretary, *Department of Communications, CELAM*
- 10,30** *Coffee break*
- 11,00** **Group Work.** How is Catholic press contributing to the public forum? To the “diaconate of culture”? To the life of the Church?
- 12,00** Plenary Feedback
- 13,00** *Lunch*

Afternoon

- 3,00** Ecclesial Communion and Controversies. Freedom of Expression and the Truth of the Church.
- **Anna Arco**, *Catholic Herald (London)*
- **John Thavis**, Director, Rome Bureau, *CNS - Catholic News Service*
- **Federico Lombardi**, Director - *Holy See Press Office, Vatican Radio and Vatican Television Centre*
- **Marcello Semeraro**, Bishop of Albano
- **Ludwig Ring-Eifel**, Editor-in-Chief, *Katholische Nachrichtenagentur Pressebild*
- 4,00** *Coffee break*
- 4,30** **Group Work.** Should Catholic press avoid certain topics? How should it speak of controversial issues? Should it give a voice to dissent?
- 5,30** Plenary Feedback

Day 3 – Wednesday – 6 October 2010

Morning

- 7,30** **Mass**, Altar of the Chair, St. Peter's Basilica
- 9,00** *Coffee*
- 9,30** Catholic Press and the Internet.
- **Antoine-Marie Izoard**, *I.MEDIA (Roma)*
- **Sandro Magister**, *Espresso/La Repubblica*
- **Jesus Colina**, *H2O News*
- **Daniel Arasa**, *Faculty of Institutional Communications, Holy Cross University (Rome)*
- **Mike Akpoghiran**, *Director, Centre for Information and Communication Technology (CICOT), Dominican Institute, Ibadan (Nigeria)*
- 11,00** **Group Work.** What are the opportunities offered by new media? How can Catholic press help the Church to be effectively present in digital age? What are the challenges?
- 12,00** Plenary Feedback
- 13,00** *Lunch*

Afternoon

- 3,00** Information: World Youth Day 2011
- **Yago de la Cierva**, *Executive Director WYD 2011*
- 3,30** Internet Initiatives. Structures and Needs – Meeting the *glocal* demands.
- **Didier Robiliard**, *Director, Culture and Religion, Bayard Presse*
- **Daniel Cabana**, *RIIAL*
- **Augusto Goio/Gabriele Francescotto**, *Vita Trentina*
- **Helen Osman**, *Department of Communications, United States Conference of Catholic Bishops*
- 4,30** *Coffee break*
- 5,00** **Group Work.** How we can we work together? What would be helpful to support your work? What resources might we share?
- 6,00** Plenary Feedback

Day 4 – Thursday – 7 October 2010

Morning

9,30

The importance of the local Catholic press

- **Giorgio Zucchelli**, President, *Federazione Italiana Settimanali Cattolici*

The Catholic weekly magazine and digital culture

- **Antonio Sciortino**, Director, *Famiglia Cristiana*

Conclusions and Papal Audience

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