EDUCATION AND UPBRINGING AS DRIVERS OF PEACE
In his message of 1 January, the Pope relaunches the Global Education Pact

In his Message of 1 January 2022 for the 55th World Day of Peace, Pope Francis indicated three ways to build lasting peace: "Dialogue between generations, education and work". After pointing out that recently investments in education have decreased, while those in military spending have increased, the Holy Father says: "I hope that the investment in education will be accompanied by a more consistent commitment to promoting the culture of care. Faced with the fractures in society and the inertia of institutions, it can become the common language that breaks down barriers and builds bridges". A country grows when its different cultural riches engage in constructive dialogue: popular culture, university culture, youth culture, artistic culture and technological culture, economic culture and family culture, and media culture. It is therefore necessary to forge a new cultural paradigm, through "a Global Compact on Education for and with the younger generations, which commits families, communities, schools and universities, institutions, religions, rulers, the whole of humanity, in forming mature people". A pact that promotes education to integral ecology, according to a cultural model of peace, development and sustainability, centred on fraternity and on the alliance between the human being and the environment".

To access the full Message: <https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/it/messages/peace/documents/20211208-messaggio-55giornatamondiale-pace2022.html>
GLOBAL COMPACT ON EDUCATION
“DESDE BOLIVIA”
A response to the Pope's invitation

We received in these days in the Secretariat of the GCE the book "Pacto Educativo Global. Reflexiones y propuestas desde Bolivia", by the Bolivian Episcopal Conference (CEB). In the letter of presentation, H.E.R. Monsignor Fernando Bascope Muller, President of the Education Area of the CEB defines the book as a response to the invitation of Pope Francis regarding the Global Compact on Education and states that "This book is the fruit of the effort of people who have in common faith and love for education, for this reason we believe that it will animate the leaders of the educational community of Bolivia, who strengthened in their educational vocation make present the message of Jesus Christ".

CATHOLIC SCHOOL AS A BODY OF HOPE FOR THE WORLD
OIEC World Congress under the banner of the Global Compact on Education

The OIEC has published on its official website the announcement of the new World Congress that will take place in "Le Palais du Pharo" in Marseille (France) on 1-3 December 2022 with the objective of "Building together the village of Education".

The announcement of the Congress reads: "At the last OIEC Congress held in New York in 2019, we sought the possible commitments of Catholic schools around the world to promote the civilization of Love. Now committed to the Global Compact on Education launched by Pope Francis, we will meet in Marseille in December 2022 to continue the construction of the village of education, in connection with the contribution of each OIEC region (Europe, America, Africa, Asia and the Middle East), and in dialogue with educators of other faiths and religions".

For more information:
https://en.congresdeloiec2022.com/
A conference of universities organised by the CEC and the Pontifical Academy of Social Sciences

Lines of development of the Global Education Pact
Conference on GLOBAL COMPACT ON EDUCATION
Vatican City - Casina Pio IV - 30-31 May 1 June 2022

The Congregation for Catholic Education, in collaboration with the Pontifical Academy of Sciences, in order to follow up on the invitation that the Holy Father has launched with the Global Compact on Education, has promoted a Conference entitled "Lines of development of the Global Education Pact" that will take place in the Vatican, at the Casina Pio IV, on 30-31 May and 1 June 2022.

The Rectors, the Delegates for the GCE and other members of the Universities that have given their availability to coordinate other Universities to develop the proposal of the Educational Pact in the identified disciplinary areas have been invited to this Conference. Other significant figures in the field of education and the LUMSA University, coordinator of GCE activities, were also invited.

The meeting, aimed at preparing a strategic plan for the coming years, will be divided into two parts: in the first part there will be speeches by a number of experts on topics relating to education, followed by a wide-ranging debate. In the second part, each university will present the state of play of the work it is carrying out in its thematic area and the prospects for the future.

UNE CONCRÉTISATION AFRICAINE DU PROJET DU PAPE FRANÇOIS

On January 20, 2022, His Excellency Mgr ZANI, Secretary of the Congregation for Catholic Education, received Fr. Michel Coppin, Provincial Superior of the Salvatorians in Belgium and Holland, and Councillor of the Fondation Internationale Religions et Sociétés together with Professor Nathanael Wallenhorst of the Université Catholique de l’Ouest in France. Fr Coppin thanked His Excellency Mgr Zani for his participation in the symposium held in Yaoundé last November via video conference, which had an enormous resonance among the participants. In fact, 13 bishops and three cardinals from French-speaking Africa came together to discuss education. In addition, Fr Coppin was asked to present the invitation of Card. Ambogo, Archbishop of Kinshasa, addressed to H.E. Mgr. Zani for the symposium to be held from 3 to 5 November 2022 in Kinshasa on the theme: "Un Pacte Educatif Africain. Une concrétisation africaine du projet du Pape François". Finally, Mgr Zani presented the seven commitments of the Global Education Pact and the five thematic areas for research in the university world, inviting educational institutions to work together for a better future.

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EDUCATION AS A WAY OF HUMANISING THE WORLD AND HISTORY

On 12 January 2022, the Secretary of the Congregation for Catholic Education H.E. Mgr Zani presented the Global Compact on Education at an international meeting on education of the Congregation of the Sisters of Notre Dame. The online meeting was attended by educators from various continents. Archbishop Zani began by recalling the three fundamental principles of the charism of the Sisters of Notre Dame: "the centrality of the person made in the image of God, the figure of the educator as a witness to the Gospel, and integral education.

"EDUCATIO SI BULLETIN" e GCE

The OIEC Bulletin number 10 Autumn 2021 focused on the Global Compact on Education dedicating ample space to the Meeting of Representatives of Religions "Religions and Education: Towards a Global Compact on Education" and to the GCE Vademecum.

Updates can also be found on the 2022 OIEC Congress dedicated to the Global Education Village.

To access the magazine:
https://www.globalcatholiceducation.org/_files/ugd/b9597a_c2db878ec5d749ed9edc9654e3ebe83b.pdf

NEWS IN BRIEF

On 18 January 2022, a joint CEC-EIS meeting was held at the CEC Library to plan the University Conference to be held at the end of May 2022.