

# SCJ TODAY - PERSPECTIVES



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N. America	115
S. America	484
Asia	284
Europe	1.009
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1. General vision 1991-2010
2. SCJ by Continents
3. Looking forward

# 1.1 - Evolution 1991-2010

<i>Continento</i>	<i>1991</i>	<i>%</i>	<i>1997</i>	<i>%</i>	<i>2003</i>	<i>%</i>	<i>2010</i>	<i>%</i>
<b>Africa</b>	65	2,8	136	5,9	281	12,6	311	14,1
<b>N. America</b>	192	8,1	158	6,9	137	6,2	115	5,0
<b>S. America</b>	421	17,8	429	18,7	470	21,1	484	21,7
<b>Asia</b>	149	6,3	165	7,2	213	9,6	284	13,4
<b>Europe</b>	1.528	64,7	1.396	60,8	1.115	50,1	1.009	44,8
<b>Total</b>	<b>2.363</b>		<b>2.295</b>		<b>2.226</b>		<b>2.203</b>	

- -160 members since 1991
- - 23 since 2003
- Stabilization overall
- Decreasing North/ increase in South

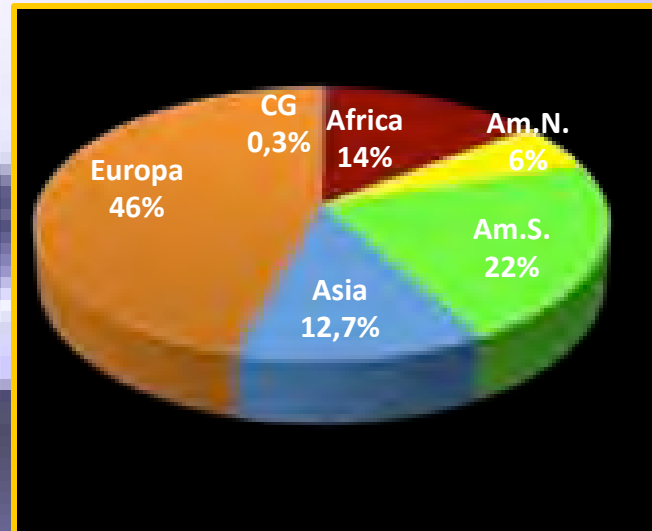
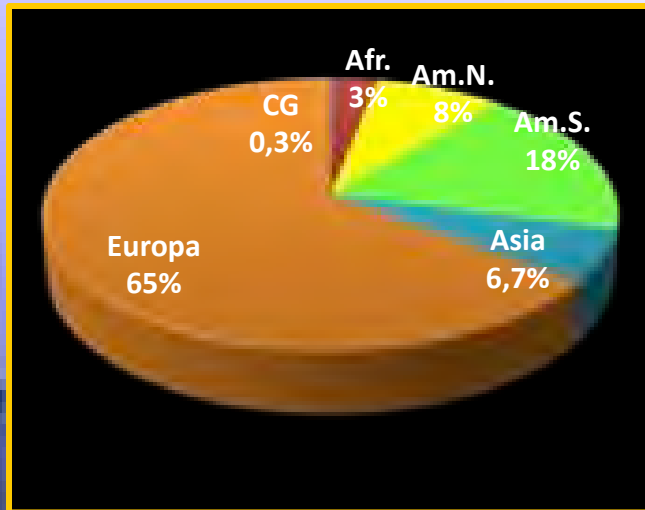
## 1.2 –Members/Students – 2010

<i>Continent</i>	<i>Members</i>	<i>%</i>	<i>Students</i>	<i>%</i>	<i>Av. age</i>
Africa	311	14,14	144	30,84	44,96
N.Am.	115	5,0	5	0,57	65,80
S. Am.	484	21,69	116	24,84	50,86
Asia	284	13,44	115	24,63	36,32
Europe	1.009	44,76	76	16,63	59,10
<b>Totale</b>	<b>2.203</b>		<b>467</b>		<b>52,95</b>

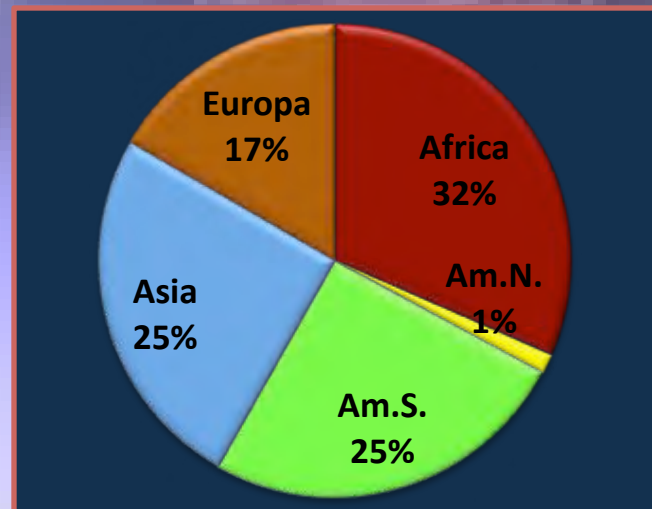
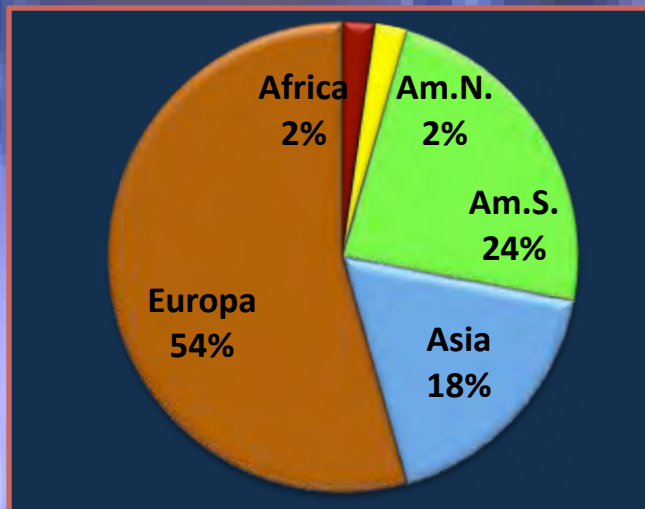
- Future comparing membership and students
- Growth: Africa, Asia, South America.
- Reduction: Europe, N. America

# 1.3 - Evolution 1991-2010

**Members**  
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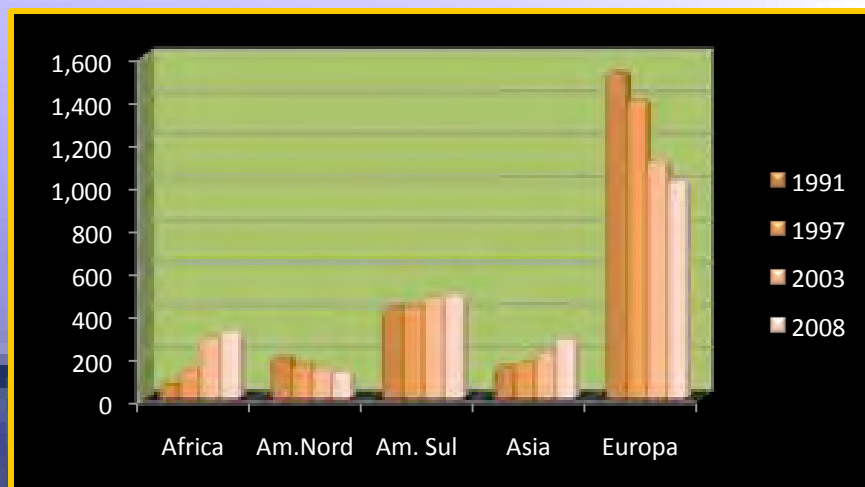


**Students**  
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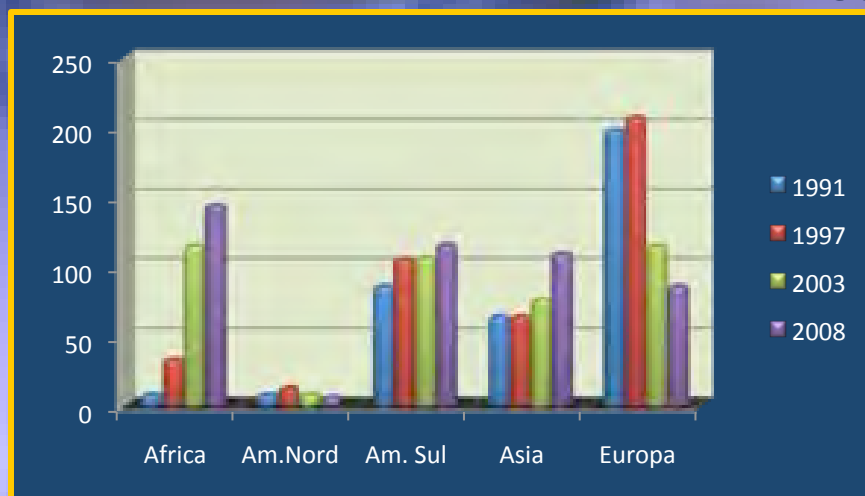
# 4.1.4 Evolution 1991-2010

## Members



<i>Contin.</i>	<i>1991</i>	<i>1997</i>	<i>2003</i>	<i>2010</i>
<b>Africa</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>136</b>	<b>281</b>	<b>311</b>
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<b>Total</b>	<b>2.363</b>	<b>2.295</b>	<b>2.226</b>	<b>2.203</b>

## Students



<i>Contin.</i>	<i>1991</i>	<i>1997</i>	<i>2003</i>	<i>2010</i>
<b>Africa</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>115</b>	<b>144</b>
<b>N. Am.</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>S. Am.</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>106</b>	<b>116</b>
<b>Asia</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>109</b>
<b>Europe</b>	<b>198</b>	<b>207</b>	<b>115</b>	<b>76</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>364</b>	<b>422</b>	<b>420</b>	<b>466</b>

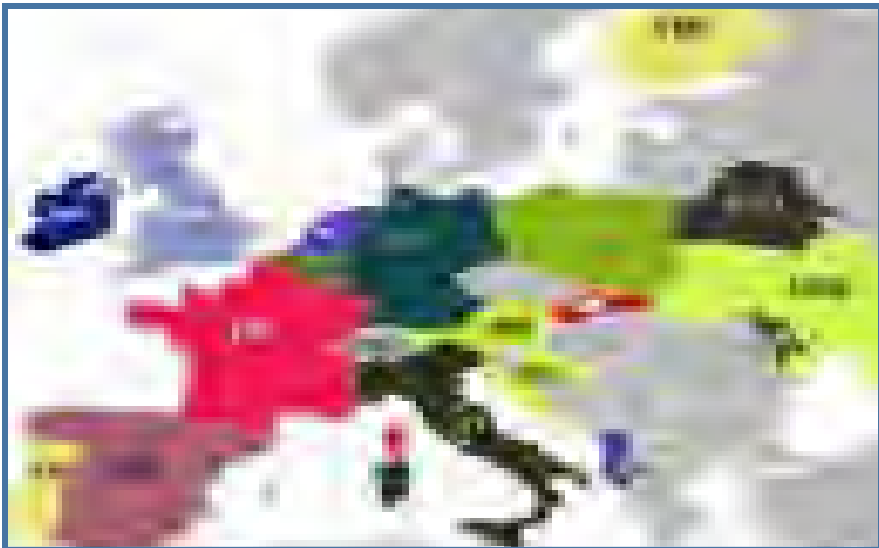
## 4.1.5 - Evolution 1991-2010

- Movement towards the South
- Cultural change in the Congregation
- From Euro-centrism to multiculturalism
- The biggest change since the beginning of the Congregation

## 2 – SCJ in the Continents

- Europe
- Nord America
- South America
- Africa
- Asia





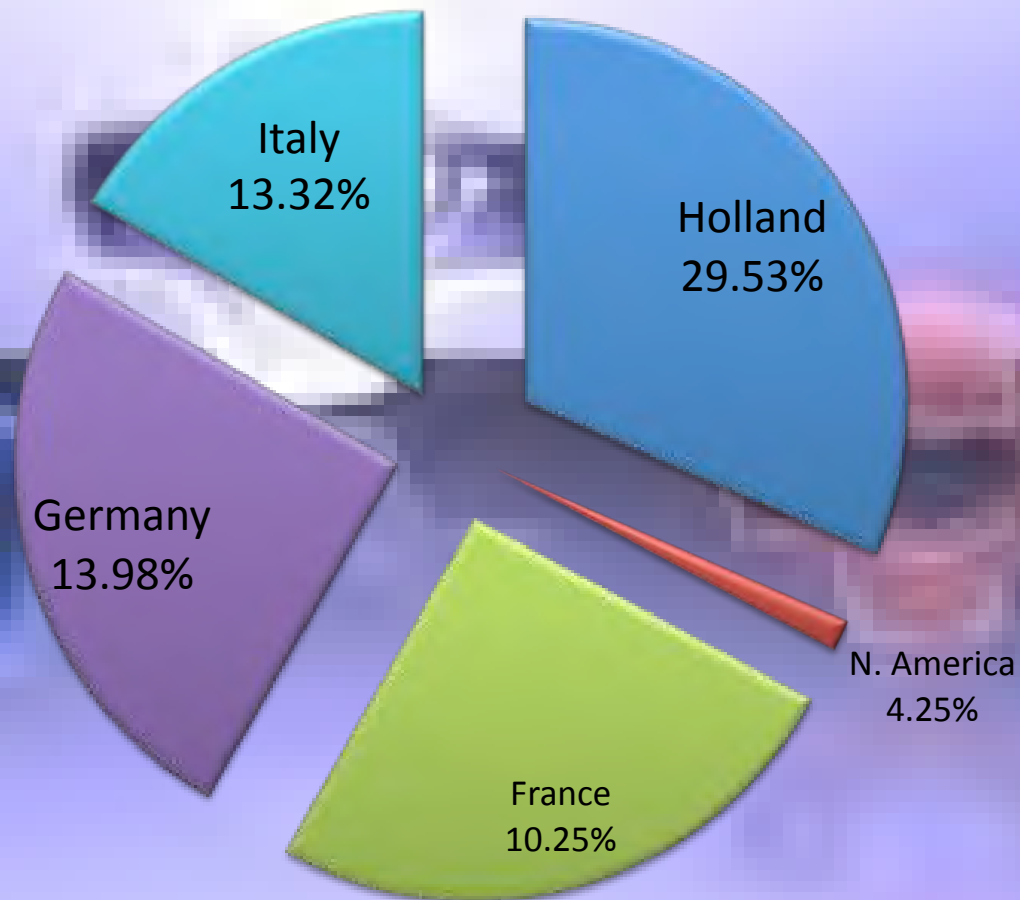
## 2.1 - Europe

Members by age  
students and novices

Prov.	+70	50-69	30-49	-30	Tot.	Med. lage	Stud.	Nov.
ACR	2	3	7	2	<b>13</b>	<i>49,3</i>	0	1
BH	14	9	5	0	<b>26</b>	<i>69,5</i>	0	0
EF	50	15	11	0	<b>76</b>	<i>73,2</i>	3	0
FL-NE	111	19	0	0	<b>130</b>	<i>78,9</i>	0	0
GE	18	22	15	0	<b>54</b>	<i>62,6</i>	0	0
HI	31	30	41	9	<b>111</b>	<i>55,6</i>	6	0
IM	13	27	16	2	<b>58</b>	<i>59,6</i>	4	1
IS	76	70	34	0	<b>174</b>	<i>67,3</i>	3	0
LU	15	36	36	23	<b>107</b>	<i>49,3</i>	19	2
PO	29	64	119	46	<b>259</b>	<i>46,0</i>	37	1
<b>TOT.</b>	<b>359</b>	<b>295</b>	<b>284</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>1.009</b>	<b><i>61,10</i></b>	<b>72</b>	<b>5</b>

## 2.1 – Situation 1947

Europe = 75%



## 2.1 - Europe

- The origin and biggest presence until now (La Capelle, St. Quentin, Brussels)
- Today: Europe in the throws of secularity: how to preach the Gospel in post-modern world? Will religious life survive?
- Changing structures: EF, FL-NE, continental collaboration
- International collaboration EF, GE, FIN,



## 2.2 –North America

Members by age  
students and novices

Prov.	+70	50-69	30-49	-30	Tot.	Med. age	stud.	Nov.
<b>CAN</b>	13	7	2		<b>22</b>	<i>69,5</i>	1	0
<b>US</b>	42	43	7	1	<b>93</b>	<i>66,0</i>	3	2
<b>TOT.</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>115</b>	<i><b>67,8</b></i>	<b>4</b>	<b>2</b>

## 2.2 –North America

- Features common with Europe but also unique.
- Youth & vocational challenge
- International openness and collaboration
- Inter-American Collaboration : U.S. and Canada with South America
- What be lost to U.S. Church if SCJs no longer existed?



## 2.3 – South America

Members by age + students and novices

<i>Prov.</i>	<i>+70</i>	<i>50-69</i>	<i>30-49</i>	<i>20-29</i>	<i>Tot.</i>	<i>Med. Age</i>	<i>stud.</i>	<i>Nov.</i>
AR	13	14	11	1	39	60,5	1	1
BC	26	53	94	45	218	45,4	68	10
BM	17	46	42	17	124	50,1	24	5
BS	12	11	23	4	50	52,4	6	0
CH	8	2	10	3	23	54,2	4	0
VEN	4	3	17	8	30	43,4	7	2
<b>TOT.</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>129</b>	<b>197</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>484</b>	<b>50,9</b>	<b>110</b>	<b>18</b>

## 2.3 – Zuid Amerika

# South America

- Biggest Dehonian presence outside Europe
- Structure changes: BM/BC, MAR, AR-URU
- New Developments: Ecuador, Paraguay, Mato Grosso, Rondônia
- International mission
- Continental Collaboration: formation, Projects, Sectors



# 2.4 – Africa

Members by age  
students and novices

<i>Prov.</i>	<i>+70</i>	<i>50-69</i>	<i>30-49</i>	<i>-30</i>	<i>Tot.</i>	<i>Med. age</i>	<i>stud.</i>	<i>Nov.</i>
<b>AM</b>	5	4	8	2	<b>19</b>	<i>50,9</i>	1	0
<b>CM</b>	10	6	47	32	<b>90</b>	<i>38,2</i>	39	16
<b>CO</b>	6	16	41	31	<b>93</b>	<i>40,7</i>	40	6
<b>MAD</b>	2	12	26	20	<b>60</b>	<i>42,5</i>	27	7
<b>MZ</b>	13	11	17		<b>49</b>	<i>52,3</i>	13	0
<b>TOT.</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>133</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>311</b>	<i>44,9</i>	<b>120</b>	<b>29</b>



## 2.4 – Africa

	1991	%	2002	%	2008	%
<b>Total</b>	207		277		311	
<b>Missionaries</b>	167	80,7	134	48,4	76	25,4
<b>Native</b>	40	19,3	143	51,6	235	74,6
<b>Students</b>	26	12,6	100	36,1	131	41,6

- Quick transformation: From missionaries to native religious
- Rise of vocations & challenges
- Models for African Dehonians
- The auto-financing issue
- International mission



## 2.5 – Asia

Members by age  
students and novices

<i>Prov.</i>	<i>+70</i>	<i>50-69</i>	<i>30-49</i>	<i>-30</i>	<i>Tot.</i>	<i>Med. age</i>	<i>stud.</i>	<i>Nov.</i>
<b>IN</b>	10	36	82	49	<b>175</b>	<b>40,6</b>	46	10
<b>IND</b>	1	3	15	37	<b>59</b>	<b>32,6</b>	37	4
<b>PHI</b>	0	5	26	19	<b>50</b>	<b>35,7</b>	26	7
<b>TOT.</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>284</b>	<b>36,3</b>	<b>109</b>	<b>21</b>

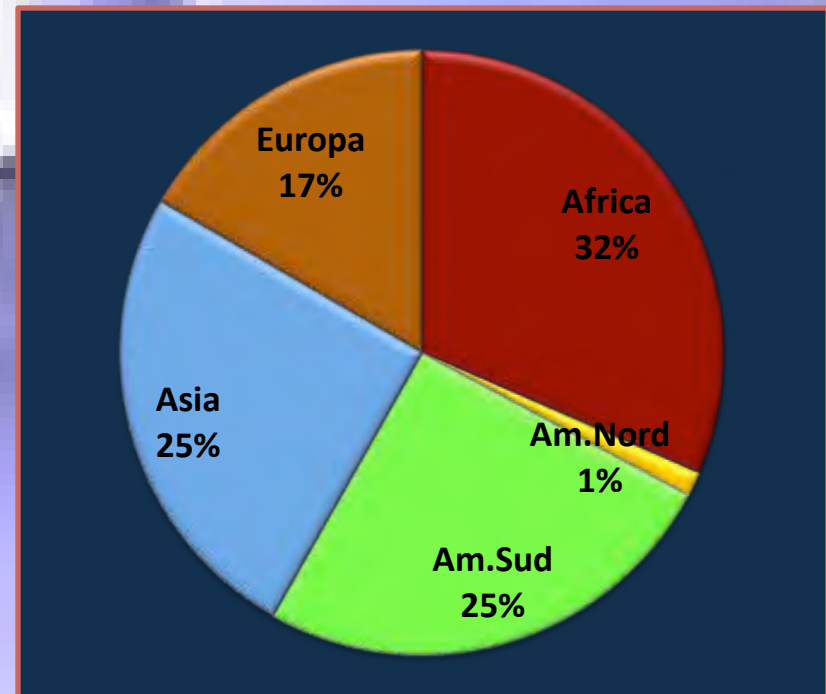
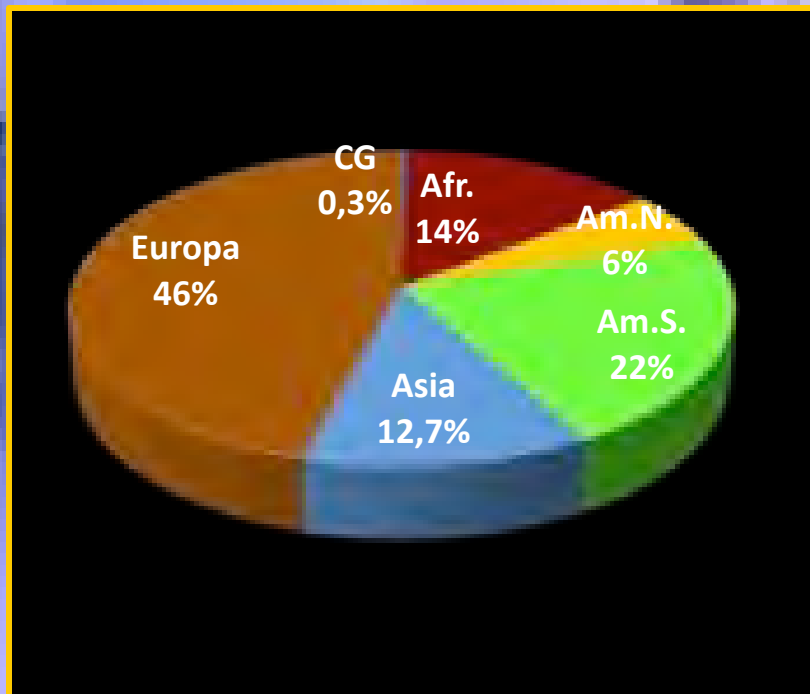
## 2.5 – Asia

- SCJ presence: IN (87 years) PHI (21), IND (15), VIE
- Different histories and situations
- Specificity of mission and inter-religious dialogue
- Perspectives of new missions in Asia
- International collaboration

# 3 – Looking ahead

**Actual Situation: *Members***

**... and Future: *Students***



# 3 – Looking Forward

- Historic geographic & cultural shift
- The signs of our time: today and tomorrow
- Challenges in the North
- Challenges in the South
- New international and intercultural mentality

# GUIDELINES 2009 – 2015



1. Core references: spirituality
2. Animation of the Congregation
3. Sectors of Activities

2008 Caputem Generale

*“The Love of Christ urges us”*

# Planning for 2009 -2015



# Planning October /November '09





# Planning Oct. – Nov. '09



# Planning Oct. – Nov. '09



# General Objective

*CHRIST*

*COMMUNION*  
*Sharing*  
*Internationality*

*WORLD*

*Diverse*  
*Changing*

**LOVE**

**REPARATION**

Listening  
Discerning  
Be modelled by  
Following  
Giving oneself

Welcoming  
With Compassion  
Reconciling  
Proclaiming  
Building up

**Communion with Christ in service of a new world**

## Part II: Spiritual Backdrop

Communion in Christ in service of a new world

... the faith  
experience of  
Leo Dehon...

... in  
communion  
with others

... in the world  
as witnesses  
of love and  
reconciliation

# The Faith Experience of Father Dehon

- Our Rule of Life (# 2)
- *“I have been crucified with Christ; and it is no longer I who live, but it is Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.”(Gal. 2,19.20)*

# 1. Core Reference

***CHRIST***

- **Christ, the revelation of God's love: Father, Son in the Spirit**
- **A love for the littlest among us**
- **A love that gives all**

# 1. Core reference

*Christ*

## The Love of God

- **Listen to God**
- **Recognize God in your life**
- **Allow yourself to be formed by God**
- **Follow God through Christ in the Spirit**
- **Give yourself totally**

# A Spirituality of the heart (Alfragide 2008)

## **Heart:**

- A symbol of our Self: our integrity, identity, inner dynamism of the person (our authentic self)

## **Heart: capacity of openness to others/ allowing oneself to be opened by others**

- To be a self as an openness to others: perceiving the other in oneself as an antidote to individualism (the other in me: welcome, sensitivity, compassion, ready for the other, service, love)



# A Spirituality of the heart (Alfragide)

- **The heart of Jesus**
- **The identity (the deepest self) of Jesus:  
his identity as Son of the Father; the  
intimacy of love in God**
- **Jesus as witness of God's openness**

## 2. Core reference

*Communion*  
*Sharing*  
*Universality*

# **Our Communion in Christ**

Sharing

Internationality / interculturality

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Core Reference

*Communion*  
*Sharing*  
*Universality*

- **Our example: the intimacy of the love of God (Trinity of Love)**
- **Love transcends all our national, ethnic, tribal, cultural and familial bonds = internationality = new image of Church today**
- **The formation of a communion of common life, prayer, sharing and mission with “others”**

# A New Internationality

## Our Challenges:

- To be free to leave one's own race, nationality, culture and family
- To follow Jesus and his family ... in order to create a new humanity
- *Ecce Venio* and *Ecce ancilla*: “Here am I”: my new identity and freedom

## 3<sup>rd</sup> Core reference

*The world  
diversity  
changing*

- **Experience of the love of Christ: repairing and reconciling the world**
- **The world: an experience of generosity but also of injustice and immense suffering**

## 3<sup>rd</sup> Core reference

*The world  
diverse  
changing*

### *Adveniat regnum tuum*

- **The whole world is welcome : confidence in a friendly universe**
- **Proclaiming the kingdom of God: God is Love: Participating in Christ's love for all**
- **A real solidarity**
- **Servants of reconciliation**

# Part III: The animation of the Congregation

**A. Visits**

**B. Continental Meetings**

**C. Sectorial activities: spirituality etc...**

**F. Letters**

**G. Staff of the General Administration**

# A - VISITS

**1. General Councilors**

**2. General Treasurer**

**3. General Superior**



## **B – RESPONSIBLE FOR THE CONTINENTS**

- 1. Africa** - P. Albert Lingwengwe
- 2. America** - P. Cláudio Weber / John van den Hengel
- 3. Asia** - P. Paulus Sugino
- 4. Europe** - P. John van den Hengel  
- P. Claudio Dalla Zuanna

# C – SECTORIAL ACTIVITIES

- (1) Spirituality**
- (2) Formation**
- (3) Justitia et Pax and Reconciliation**
- (4) Administration of goods**
- (5) Youth Ministry**
- (6) Vocational Ministry**
- (7) Parochial ministry**
- (8) Education and culture**
- (9) Mission**
- (10) Communications**

SECTORIAL ACTIVITIES 2009 - 2015

# SECTOR 1: Spirituality



# 1 - Spirituality



- 1. Listening to and sharing our spiritual foundation**
- 2. Openness for internationality**
- 5. Study of our dehonian legacy**
- 4. The Dehonian Family**

# 1. Spirituality

- 1. Letters (March 14, Sacred Heart, Christmas)
- 2. Special Issues of Dehoniana
- 3. Theological Commission
- 4. Input in the courses (Formators/treasurers)
- 5. Theological content of RFG
- 6. A critical biography of Fr. Leo Dehon
- 7. The Centro Studi
- 8. International Congress on spirituality

# 1. Spirituality

- 9. Thematic studies on Dehonian spirituality
- 10. Interpretation and inculturation of spirituality in Asian and African context
- 11. Continental Conferences
- 12. Encourage specialization in entities
- 13. Famiglia Dehoniana : accompagniment and gatherings

SECTORIAL ACTIVITIES 2009 - 2015

# SECTOR 2: Formation



## 2 - Formation

1. Revision of the *Ratio Formationis*.
2. International collaboration
3. Course for formators
4. International Meeting of Formators
5. International College and other study centers
6. Manual of SCJ spirituality





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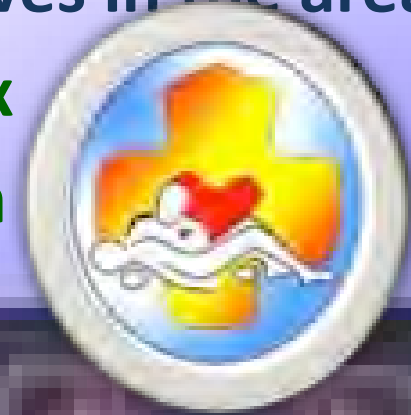
## SECTOR 3:

**Justitia et Pax and  
reconciliation**



# 3 – Justitia et Pax and Reconciliation

1. Recognition of Congregational initiatives in the area
2. Formation of people for Justitia et Pax
3. Initiatives in the area of reconciliation
4. Participation in initiatives of Justitia et Pax
5. Specialized formation in Justitia et Pax and interreligious dialogue
6. Participation in Non-governmental Organizations (NGO)



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## SECTOR 4:

# Administration of Goods



# 4 – Administration of Goods

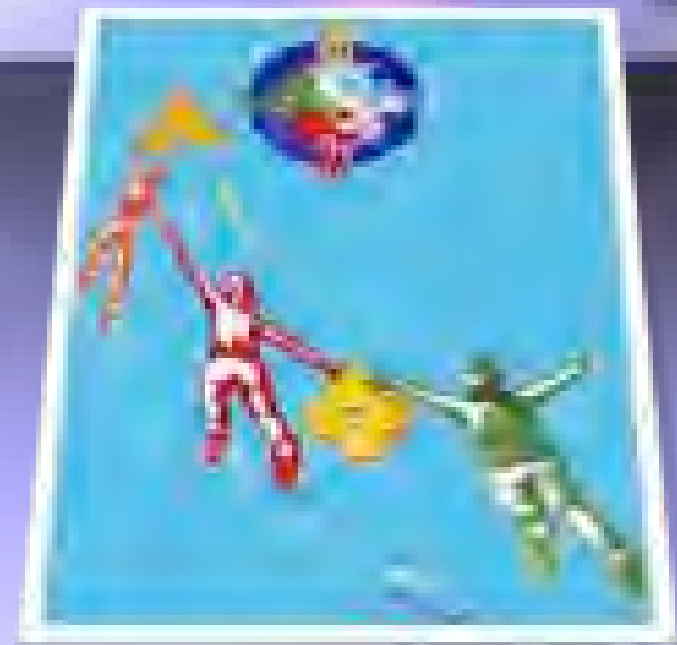
1. Reflections on life style
2. Openness, sharing, common pot, three-year plan, 1%
- 3- Course for treasurers (2012).
4. Meeting of treasurers (2012).
5. Introduction to economics in first formation
6. Financial self-sufficiency
7. Social security for all



# SECTORIAL ACTIVITIES 2009 - 2015

## SECTOR 5:

## Youth Ministry



# 5 – Youth Ministry

1. Spreading Dehonian spirituality
2. General conference on education and culture
3. Meeting of youth ministers
4. Working with University students
5. Accompanying young people in their vocation



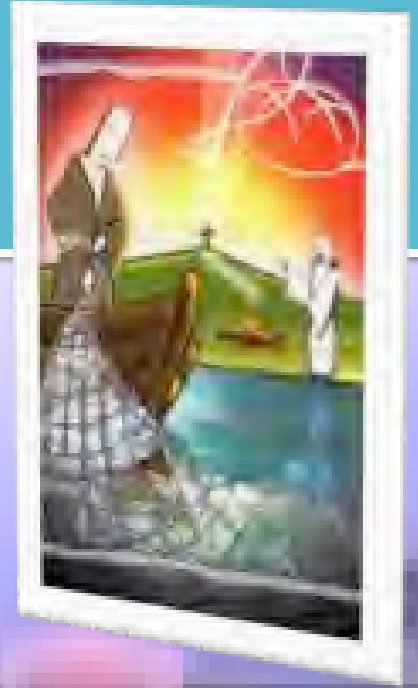
# SECTORIAL ACTIVITIES 2009 - 2015

## SECTOR 6:

## Vocational Ministry



# 6 – Vocational Ministry



1. Promotion of the vocational ministry
2. Meeting of vocation directors
3. International meeting
4. Collaboration with laity and others



# SECTORIAL ACTIVITIES 2009 - 2015

- **SECTOR 7:**

**Parish ministry**



# 7 - Parochiewerk

1. Dehonian profile of a parish
2. Meeting of Parish Ministers (Buenos Aires + Manila)
3. Promotion of missionary spirit
4. Exchange of pastoral workers



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**SECTOR 8:**

**Education and Culture**



# 8 – Education and Culture



1. Pastoral plan for schools
2. Presence of Dehonians at Universities, colleges and schools
3. International meeting of educators (2014)
4. General Conference about education for a new age (2012).

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**SECTOR 9:**  
**Missions**



# 9 - Mission



1. Fulfill the mandate of the Warsaw Conference (2006)
2. International presence in all entities
3. Openness to work in other places
4. **New Missions: Vietnam, Paraguay, Chad, China**
5. Presence in secular world and interreligious dialogue

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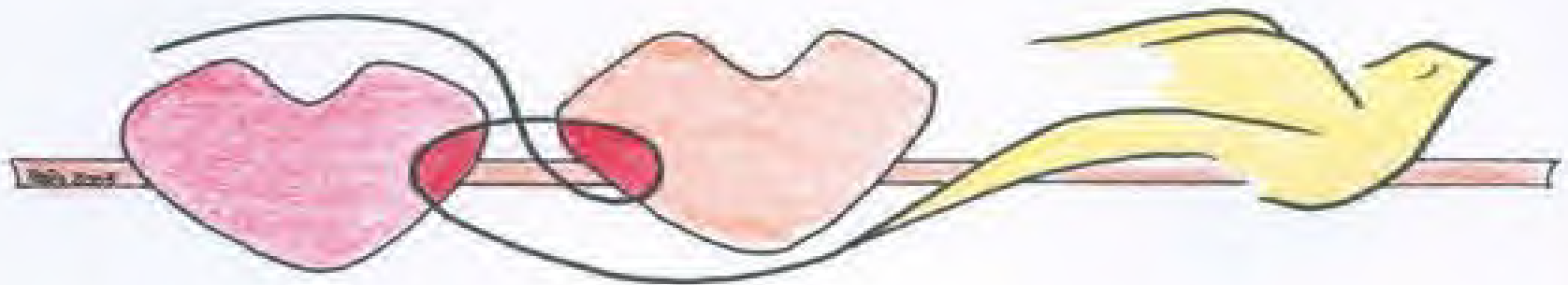
## SECTOR 10:

### Communication



# 10 - Communicatie

1. Regular communication of events and activities within the Congregation
2. Interaction of people working in this area





## D – Annual letters to the Congregation

One theme each year:

**MARCH** Dehonian perspective

**Sacred Heart Letter on the theme of the year**

**December** Christmas letter with information  
about events of the year

# Themes of the year

- 2010: The faith Experience of Leo Dehon
- 2011: The economy of the Congregation
- 2012: Interculturality and internationality
- 2013: Ministry of Reconciliation
- 2014: Sharing of our Dehonian Legacy
- 2015: XXIII General Chapter

2009 – 2015

## Agenda 2009 - 2015

- |         |   |
|---------|---|
| 2010    | October 18-27: meeting of the major superiors in Rome |
| 2011    | Course of Formators                                   |
| 2011/12 | Course for treasurers                                 |
| 2012    | General Conference                                    |
| 2013    | October: Meeting of major superiors                   |
| 2015    | XXIII General Chapter                                 |

# THE TEAM

2009 - 2015



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# Animation of the Congregation 2009 - 2015



*May the Lord  
accompany us:  
2009 – 2015 !*

***COMMUNION IN CHRIST IN  
SERVICE OF THE WORLD***