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Towards the Future
Re-Thinking *Nostra Aetate* Today

Pontifical Gregorian University, Rome – October 27th-29th 2025

October 27th, Monday, 9.30 AM – 12.30 PM

Welcome Reception

10.00 – 10.40

Inaugural Session
Chairperson: Donna Orsuto, Pontifical Gregorian University

Opening Greetings

- Mark Lewis, SJ, Rector of the Pontifical Gregorian University
- Card. George Jacob Koovakad, Prefect of the Dicastery for Interreligious Dialogue
- Card. Kurt Koch, Prefect of the Dicastery for Christian Unity
- Angeliki Ziaka, Programme Executive for Interreligious Dialogue and Cooperation, WCC Genéve

10.40

Introduction:

- Ambrogio Bongiovanni, Director of Centre for Interreligious Studies - Pontifical Gregorian University
- Massimo Gargiulo, Pro-Director of Centre Cardinal Bea for Judaic Studies - Pontifical Gregorian University

11.00- 12.00

Inaugural Lectures:

- Paolo Trianni, Pontifical Gregorian University
  A Historical Introduction to Nostra Aetate
- Mario Imperatori SJ, Southern Italy Faculty of Theology, section S. Luigi
  Nostra Aetate: A Theological Understanding

12.00-12.30

Questions and Answers

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October 27th, Monday, 3.00 – 6.00 PM

Reflecting on Nostra Aetate 2 (The contribution of other religious traditions) Part I

3.00 – 4.15

Chairperson: Indunil Janakaratne Kodithuwakku, Secretary of the Dicastery for Interreligious Dialogue

- Carmelo Dotolo, Pontifical Urbaniana University
- Swami Sarvapriyananda, Vedanta Society of New York
- Giuseppe Jisō Forzani, Comunità buddhista zen italiana

Break

4.30 – 5.15

Chairperson: Luigi Buccarello O.SS.T., General Minister of the Order of the Most Holy Trinity

- Yon Seng Yeath, Rector Preah Sihanouk Raja Buddhist, University Phnom Penh
- Antonio Rigopoulos, Università Ca' Foscari

5.15 – 6.00

Chairperson: Svamini Shuddhananda Giri, Matha Gitananda Ashram

Questions and Answers (Joint session).

October 28th, Tuesday, 9.30 AM – 12.15 PM

Reflecting on Nostra Aetate 2 (The contribution of other religious traditions) Part II
What Does It Mean not to Be in Nostra Aetate?

9.30 – 10.40

Chairperson: Bryan Lobo SJ, Pontifical Gregorian University

- Jasjit Singh, University of Leeds and Sikh Seva Society
- John Lagerwey, Institut Ricci de Paris, Centre Sèvres
- Samani Amal Pragya, Jain Vishva Bharati Institute

Break

11.00 – 11.45

Chairperson: Mike Waltner, KAICIID Representative in Rome

- Antoine De Padou Pooda, Pontifical Urbaniana University
- Stefania Palmisano, University of Turin

11.45- 12.15

Questions and Answers (Joint Session)

Chairperson: Antonio Aurelio Fernández Serrano, O.SS.T., Solidarietà Internazionale Trinitaria

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October 28th, Tuesday, 2.00 – 5.15 PM

Reflecting on Nostra Aetate 3

Part I 2.00-3.10

Chairperson: Adnane Mokrani, Pontifical Gregorian University

- Daniel Madigan SJ, Loyola Institute, Australian Catholic University
- Lejla Demiri, Centre for Islamic Theology, Universität Tübingen
- Ismail Taspinar, Department of History of Religions, Marmara University

Break

Part II

3.25 – 4.30

Chairperson - Wasim Salman, Dean of PISAI Pontifical Institute of Arabic and Islamic Studies

- Klaus von Stosch, International Centre for Comparative Theology and Social Issues, Universität Bonn
- Shahrzad Houshmand Zadeh, Sapienza Università di Roma
- Victor Edwin SJ, Vidyajyoti Institute of Islamic Studies

4.30 – 5.15

Questions and Answers (Joint session)

Chairperson: Cyprian Consiglio O.S.B. Cam., Monastic Interreligious Dialogue (MID)

October 28th, Tuesday, 6.30 – 8.30 PM (Paul VI Hall, Rome)

Celebratory Gathering in the presence of Pope Leo XIV

Organized by the Dicastery for Interreligious Dialogue in collaboration with the Dicastery for Promoting Christian Unity

October 29thth (morning)

General Audience *of the Holy Father*

Organized by the Dicastery for Interreligious Dialogue and the Commission for Religious Relations with the Jews

October 29th, Wednesday, 3.00 – 5.30 PM

Reflecting of Nostra Aetate 4

Chairperson: Gregor Maria-Hoff, Paris Lodron Universität Salzburg

- R. Noam Marans, American Jewish Committee
- Etienne Vetö, Auxiliary Bishop of Reims
- Karma Ben Johanan, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
- David Meyer, Pontifical Gregorian University
- Axel Töllner, Institute for Christian-Jewish Studies and Relations,Augustana Theological Seminary Neuendettelsau

Break

4.30-5.30 - **Question and Answers**

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October 29th, Wednesday, 5.30 – 6.30 PM

Highlights of the Conference
Chairperson: Massimo Gargiulo, Pontifical Gregorian University

- Ambrogio Bongiovanni, Pontifical Gregorian University
- Christian Rutishauser SJ, Universität Luzern

6.45

Reception

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