**DAY ONE**

**Location:** Hungarian Academy of Sciences (1051 Budapest, Széchenyi tér 9. Reading room)

- Chair: Rev. Zoltán Kovács, rector of the Diocesan Seminary in Esztergom
- 9.00 | Registration

**Greetings**

- Zsolt Semjén, Deputy Prime Minister of Hungary
- Federico Lombardi SJ, President of the Fondazione Vaticana Joseph Ratzinger – Benedetto XVI
- S.E.R. András Veres, President of the Hungarian Bishops’ Conference
- Rev. Mihály Kránitz, Dean of the Faculty of Theology of Pázmány Péter Catholic University in Budapest
- 10.30 | Music Program: Chamber Music - Family Kirikósa (Mozart: Adagio, Boldogasszony Asszony Anyánk)
- Coffee Break

**Keynote Talks**

- S.E.R. Roland Minnerath (Archbishop of Dijon, France): What Makes Europe a Common Home?
- Hanna Suchocka (Poznan, Adam Mickiewicz University, Former Prime Minister, Poland): John Paul II - Towards a New International Order
- 13.00 | Music Program and Lunch Break (for all guests in the Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Krúdy Hall)

**SESSION 1 - From the past to the present: the transformation of the economic, political, social and spiritual context in the last 30 years**

- Chair: Balázs Schanda, Member of the Hungarian Constitutional Court, Head of Department of Constitutional Law at the Faculty of Law and Political Sciences of the Pázmány Péter Catholic University in Budapest
- 14.00 | Rev. Maciej Zięba O.P. (Professor of the Pontifical University of John Paul II in Krakow (Poland), a Founder of the Terzio Millennio Institute): Crisis of Democracy: About the Political Homelessness of Catholics (Showing That - in Principle - this Applies to All EU Countries, as well as to the US, and in the End with Particular Regard to the Situation in Poland)
- Prof. András Fejérény (Researcher at the Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Institute of History and Associate Professor of Ecclesiastical History at Pázmány Péter Catholic University of Budapest, Hungary): From Iron Curtain to Virtual Iron Curtain: Interfaces and Breaklines in Central Europe after 1989
- Prof. Dóra Győrffy (Professor of International Studies, Pázmány Péter Catholic University of Budapest, Hungary): Value System and Economic Development in Central Europe 1989-2019
- 15.30 | Rev. Josip Jelenic S.J. (Professor of Social Sciences in Pontificia Università Gregoriana of Rome, Italy): Croatia: Between Delusion and Hope
- Prof. Zoltán Balázs (Professor of the Faculty of Social Sciences and International Relations of University Corvinus of Budapest, Hungary): “A Fair and More Brotherly World” - The 1996 Social Circular of the Hungarian Bishops’ Conference in the Context of the Hungarian Catholic Social and Political Thinking after the Regime Change
- 17.00 | Discussion

**DAY TWO**

**Location:** Pázmány Péter Catholic University, Faculty of Theology (1053 Budapest, Veres Pálné utca 24. Lecture Hall VIII)

**SESSION 2 - The present: the economic, political, social and spiritual condition of Central and Eastern Europe today and relations with Western Europe**

- Chair: Tibor Görflő, Theologian, Theological Institute, Pécs (Hungary)
- 9.45 | Coffee Break
- 11.15 | Music Program – Benyus Family: Baroque Fragments
- Prof. Hans Joas (Professor for the Sociology of Religion at Humboldt Universität of Berlin, Germany): European Values - Analytical Category or Polemical Concept?
- Rev. Maciej Hulas (Assistant Professor of Sociology at the John Paul II Catholic University of Lublin): Patria as a Biography. An Argument for Biographical Patriotism
- 10.45 | Coffee Break
- 11.00 | Music Program: Chamber Music – Family Kirikósa (Mozart: Adagio, Boldogasszony Asszony Anyánk)
- Prof. Stefano Zamagni (Professor of Political Economy in Università di Bologna, President of the Pontifical Academy of Social Sciences, Italy): How the Central European Countries Transition can Help Revising the Functioning of the European Union
- Rev. Mihály Kránitz (Dean of the Faculty of Theology in Pázmány Péter Catholic University): A Christian Vision and Responsibility for Europe
- 12.15 | Discussion
- 13.00 | Lunch Break (for all guests in the Faculty)

**SESSION 3 - Actual future perspectives on the basis of the social doctrine of the Church**

- Chair: Rev. Ferenc Beran, Associate Professor of the Theological Faculty in Pázmány Péter Catholic University, Moral theology
- 15.00. | Roundtable and Discussion: Péter Szőke (Budapest, Head of the Comunitá di Sant’ Egidio in Hungary), Rev. Marek Blaza S.J. (Pontifical Faculty of Theology – Bobolanum, Warsaw, Poland; Visiting Professor of the Ukrainian Catholic University), Rev. Ladislav Csontos S.J. (Faculty of Theology, Bratislava, Slovakia), Rev. Pavel Ambros S.J. (Professor of Pastoral and Spiritual Theology at the Ss Cyrill and Methodius Faculty of Theology, Olomouc, Czech Republic)
- 16.00 | Conclusions: Rev. Géza Kuminetz (Rector of the Pázmány Péter Catholic University)

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