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## 4<sup>th</sup> Caritas Europa Management Forum

# Caritas: Our Role and Identity on the National Level

*Hosted by Secours Catholique*

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**Paris, France**

*Venue: Novotel Hotel Orly-Rungis, 1 rue du pont halles, 94656 Rungis (Paris), France,  
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### DRAFT AGENDA

<b>Tuesday, November 17</b>		
<b>Time</b>	<b>Topic</b>	
12:00 – 13:30	<b>Arrival and Registration</b>	
12:30 – 14:00	<b>Welcome Lunch</b>	
14:00 – 14:30	<b>Opening</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Opening Prayer</li> <li>• Welcome</li> <li>• Presentation of the Program</li> </ul>	Catherine Soublin,  Christoph Petrik-Schweifer
14:00 – 14:30	<b>Caritas in Veritate – Impacts on Caritas Organisations</b>	Fr. Erny Gillen
14:30 – 15:30	<b>What Does the Tradition and Teaching of the Church Say About the Role and Function of National and Diocesan Caritas? - Ecclesiastical Aspects</b>	Mgr Giancarlo Perego
<b>15:30 – 16:00</b>	<b>Break</b>	
16:00 – 16:15	<b>Introducing Working Group Session I: <i>What do Caritas on different levels need from one another in order to fulfill our mission in the best way?</i></b>  3 levels/groups: - Parish level - Diocesan level - National level	Joep Van Zijl  Alojzij Štefan  Rev. Zbigniew Sobowelski

16:15 – 17:30	<b>Working Group Session I</b>	
17:30 – 18:00	<b>Feedback to Plenary Session</b>	
18:00 – 18:15	<b>Close of the Day</b>	
	<b>Evening fellowship activity</b>	

<b>Wednesday, 18 November</b>		
<b>Time</b>	<b>Topic</b>	
8:15 – 9:00	<b>Holy Mass</b>	Secours Catholique
9:00 – 9:15	<b>Opening Session</b>	
9:15 – 9:30	<b>Introduction to Working Group Session II:</b> <i>Caritas Identity in its Activities – What are the Challenges for the Different Levels from These Perspectives:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Volunteerism</li> <li>• Social Service Delivery</li> <li>• Awareness-Raising &amp; Advocacy</li> </ul>	Laura Stopponi Hubert Cornudet Martina Liebsch
9:30 – 10:15	<b>Working Group Session II</b>	
10:15 – 10:30	<b>Break</b>	
10:30 – 10:45	<b>Feedback from Session II</b>	
10:45 – 11:00	<b>Introduction to Session III: “Talk Show”:</b> <i>Collaboration among different “Church structures” – Sharing experiences</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bishops and/or Bishops Conferences - Mandating Caritas and other charitable organizations in different ways</li> <li>• Lay associations, other Catholic NGOs – Competition, Cooperation or Coordination?</li> <li>• Congregations – When are they a part of Caritas?</li> </ul>	Fr. Erny Gillen Marc Somers Fr. Antoine Sondag
11:00 – 11:45	<b>Supporting Group Session III</b>	

11:45 – 12:00	<b>“Talk Show” ctd., Feedback from Working Groups to Plenary Session</b>	
12:00 – 13:00	<b>Panel Debate: Is the Caritas Confederation only a Union of National Organisations? <i>What do the lessons of the Forum’s tell us about Caritas’ on the European and Global levels?</i></b>	Marius Wanders Kari-Mette Eidem Fr. Pierre Cibambo Andrea Hitzeman Moderator: Martina Liebsch
13:00 – 13:30	<b>Summary and Closing Remarks</b>	
<b>13:30</b>	<b>Lunch</b>	



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