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General Curia of the Society of Jesus



Social Justice and Ecology Secretariat

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Dear <<First Name>> <<Last Name>>,

Warm greetings from the Secretariat!

Amidst the crisis in Ukraine which has provoked an unprecedented humanitarian need in Europe, the Jesuits working in the Social Apostolate together with their collaborators in Europe gathered in Loyola, the place where St Ignatius' conversion started, to move towards a deeper renewal. It is our wish that this Congress brings to the Social Apostolate of the Jesuit Conference of European Provincials, new vigour especially in the renewal process of their networks and in their commitment to engage more resolutely to the Universal Apostolic Preferences.

This new vigour is evermore needed given that injustices and marginalization have become deeply ingrained in our societies. Efforts to combat global water and other ecological crises, indiscriminate detention and rejection of distress migrants remain a cry of the poor.

With best wishes from the SJES team.

Xavier Jeyaraj, SJ
SJES Secretary

NEWS



Africa – Jena is Lobbying the UK Government to Rechannel its Allocation of SDRS

JENA, along with its United Kingdom partners, is lobbying the UK Government to rechannel more of its IMF Special Drawing Rights (SDRs) allocation and lead other rich nations to do the same to combat climate change and biodiversity loss in Sub-Saharan Africa, an [Read more...](#)



Global – World Water Forum Highlights Efforts to Combat Global Water Challenges

The ninth edition of the World Water Forum, taking place in Senegal from 21 - 26 March, brings together participants from all areas – academia, civil society, politics and the private sector, among others - to exchange views on the future of water and [Read more...](#)



Latin America – LA Caravan for Integral Ecology in Extractivism Times

Voices of the victims of mining extractivism and experiences of communities in defense of the common home, travel through Europe to denounce the human rights violations that are experienced as a result of the imposition of an extractivist agenda that does not



Australia – A World Where Prisons are a Last Resort

Jesuit Social Services recently released the 'Prisons, climate and a just transition' discussion paper, which argues that in a world of worsening climate change, Australia's reliance on imprisonment is increasingly untenable. John Ryks, Policy and Research Manager who works with Jesuit Social

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Spain – JRS welcomes Ukrainian refugees in Lviv

The Jesuit Refugee Service (JRS) in Ukraine continues to offer assistance to those most affected by the conflict. Their home for refugees in Lviv is welcoming displaced people seeking a safe place to rest after days of travel in dangerous conditions. Jesuit Fr. Andrii Syvak SJ describes the situation: "At present, most of the [Read more...](#)

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Africa – Partial Win in COVID-19 Vaccine Access for Developing World

In a landmark development yesterday, the European Union (EU), South Africa, India and USA are reported to have reached a compromise in long-running negotiations for a waiver on intellectual property (IP) rights for coronavirus products. However, it still needs [Read more...](#)





USA – Migrant Story: Nilsson tells KBI “They had simply made me into a prisoner.”

Nilsson once lived out his dream career as a teacher in Guatemala, but in 2018 he found himself having to flee his home country. When he arrived in Nogales, Sonora he found himself lost, not knowing anyone in the city, and not knowing what the next steps would be to file for asylum. In his disoriented state, he found someone [Read more...](#)

Chile – Jesuits in Chile Achieves International Accreditation in Abuse Prevention

The training and evaluation process involved two years with the international consultancy *Praesidium*. The accreditation will be valid for three years. The Chilean Province of the Society of Jesus obtained the Praesidium Accreditation, granted by the consultancy firm of the same name, which is a world leader in abuse risk management. To achieve [Read more...](#)



Highlights of Loyola 2022 Congress





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