

PLANNING WITHIN THE SALESIAN FAMILY SECTOR, FMA GENERAL COUNCIL 2015 - 2020

General Objective:

To live pastoral conversion with prophetic strength together with the young as communities that “go out”, giving witness to and proclaiming Christ with hope and with joy.

Strategy:

Encounters which form and transform.

Procedure:

On-going formation in the area of encounters and within encounters – as an experience which transforms and which generates life.

“Transformed through encounter, together with the young, missionaries of joy and of hope”

	Objectives	Goals	Action Steps	Timeframe
TRANSFORMED BY OUR ENCOUNTERS	1. To create the conditions which make encountering Jesus a transformative reality for each person and for the community as a whole so as to become free, joyous, open persons who are able to give witness and evangelize by their lives.	* to welcome every person as a beloved son and daughter of God, who develops and grows through relationships.	Offer formation to the laity (the Councils) and the FMA on Christian Anthropology: the value of the person, respect for diversity and intercultural realities. (Sectors: Formation, Youth Ministry, Missions, Social Communications, Administration) Participation on the Salesian Family World Consulta, and Province Consulta, valuing the resources of the different Groups of the Salesian Family.	First Triennium Second calendar
	2. To take on both personal and community discernment as a way of life, embracing, in the Spirit, the new things God is calling us to through our encounters and our reality.	*to be open to “learn and unlearn”, with flexibility, so as to allow ourselves to be provoked by the “new things” of the Spirit	Deepening of the Word of God in various gatherings so that it will enlighten our personal and community choices as FMA and laity. Participation on World- and Province-level Councils of the various Associations, characterized by active listening and welcoming of diversity.	Second calendar Second calendar

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TOGETHER WITH THE YOUNG	1. To re-think – with a planning mentality – our animation and governance styles as regards their Gospel and charismatic style, taking our inspiration from Mary’s motherliness, which generates life and brings about growth.	* to foster the Family Spirit in our sharing and in co-responsibility.	Elaboration of formative itineraries for the Delegates and Councils of the Associations (FMA Past Pupils, Salesian Cooperators, ADMA) which guarantee animation to communion in a feminine and Marian style.	First Triennium
	2. To take on the “Oratorian Heart” as the criterion for giving new meaning to our presences, in synergy with the educating community and the area in which we live and work.	* to re-vitalize our works and to re-dimension our structures in a such a way as to share our mission with the laity so as to respond to the emerging needs of the young in the area of education.	Gatherings of the FMA Delegates and Province Assistants to the FMA Past Pupils, the Salesian Cooperators, and ADMA Formation meetings with the inter-Provincial Conferences to promote sharing our mission with the laity, particularly with the members of the Salesian Family.	During the sessenium Second calendar

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MISSIONARIES OF JOY AND OF HOPE	1. To consolidate and joyfully manifest our identity as educators, in our missionary dimension, as a path for the future.	*to protect and defend the preciousness of the human person as the image of God.	<p>Becoming, as World Council for the FMA Past Pupils, the Salesian Cooperators, and ADMA, consciously aware of the social dimension of evangelization: with particular attention to solidarity, development, migrants, and care for Creation. (Sectors: Missions, Youth Ministry)</p> <p>Study and deepening of our Marian dimension so as to educate and be educated in our <i>Marian daughter-and sonship</i>, as the paradigm for our educational fatherhood/motherhood.</p> <p>Offering experiences and didactic materials for networking and in favor of the dignity of the human persons and the defense of human rights. (Sectors: Formation, Youth Ministry, The Office of Human Rights, VIDES International, JPIC, The Missions, Social Communications, and Administration).</p>	<p>2016 - 2020</p> <p>2016 – 2020 (The Novena of the Immaculate Conception and of Mary Help of Christians)</p> <p>Second Triennium</p>
	2. To go out as communities to the youth on the fringes of society and in their poverties, allowing ourselves to be touched by the poor, especially children and youth, women, families in precarious situations, and migrants.	*to foster formative accompaniment of families, especially of young couples.	Formative Encounters for the World Councils of the Associations so they may take on the guidelines from the Synod on the Family.	Second half of 2016

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MISSIONARIES OF JOY AND OF HOPE	1. To reinforce networking mentality and to participate in youth education and evangelization networks so as to have a more incisive and visible impact on present society.	*within the Church, as Salesian Family, and in interaction with other Religious Congregations and entities that have education as their concern	Study and deepening our understanding of the <i>Salesian Family Charter</i> on the World Councils, in international gatherings, and in Provinces.	2015-2019
			Participation in organizing the Salesian Family Spirituality Days.	Second Calendar
		*to make possible our involvement in networking with the Salesian Cooperators, the FMA Past Pupils, and ADMA	A greater understanding and knowledge, within the educating communities, of the identity of the various Groups of the Salesian Family, especially the Associations of the FMA Past Pupils, of the Salesian Cooperators, and of ADMA, so as to work in synergy.	2015-2019
			Working in synergy with the Formation and Youth Ministry Sectors so as to promote lay and consecrated vocations in the educating community.	2015-2019
		*to form ourselves in the inter-relational dimension of communications, focusing on evangelization	Utilization of social networks and various means of communication for a more efficacious evangelization and knowledge of the Salesian Family, in collaboration with the Social Communications Sector.	