



# **Justice Coalition of Religious:**

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Women & Men Religious Working for Global Transformation  
at the United Nations and Around the World

# JCoR: The Justice Coalition of Religious

A Coalition of 21 Roman Catholic Religious organizations that

- are accredited by the United Nations (UN)
- have representatives at UN Headquarters in New York
- are committed to improving well-being of people living in poverty and of the natural environment
- are collectively present in nearly 100 countries

# GOVERNING ORGANIZATIONS:

- Claretian Missionaries
- Company of the Daughters of Charity
- Congregation of the Mission
- Congregation of Notre Dame de Montreal
- Congregations of St. Joseph
- Dominican Leadership Conference
- Edmund Rice International
- Institute of the Blessed Virgin Mary - Loreto Generalate
- International Presentation Association
- Loretto Community
- Maryknoll Fathers & Brothers
- Medical Mission Sisters
- Oblates of Mary Immaculate
- Passionists International
- Religious of the Sacred Heart of Mary
- Salesian Missions
- School Sisters of Notre Dame
- Sisters of Charity Federation
- Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur
- Society of the Sacred Heart
- UNANIMA International



## OUR SHARED GOAL:

To enhance **collaboration** among our members—**at UN Headquarters and around the world**—in our work **to address the root causes** of poverty, violence, environmental destruction, and unsustainable development

# **What Brought Us Together at this Moment in History**





# SIGNS OF THE TIMES: a CALL to COALITION

- Trend of smaller numbers of vocations to Religious life requires creative approaches to ministry that allow us to benefit from the wisdoms of our unique charisms *as well as* from the strength of our common mission.
- Political spaces are becoming more closed and less receptive to the voices of civil society, especially voices from the most marginalized groups. Speaking with an organized and unified voice allows us to use--and protect--the available spaces more effectively and with greater security.

# SDGs: a CALL to ACTION

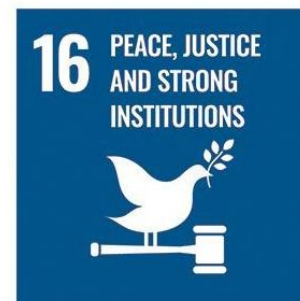
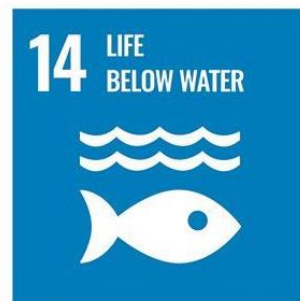
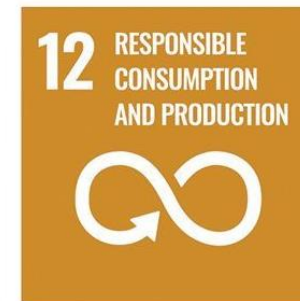
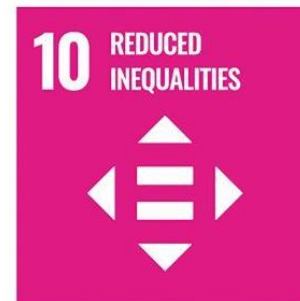
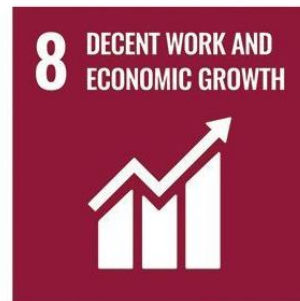


In 2015, governments of the UN unanimously adopted the **Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)**, a their 15-year agenda for the alleviation of human and environmental suffering.

# SDGs: a CALL to ACTION:

In order for the SDGs to be achieved in a just manner (one that includes everyone and prioritises the poorest among us), **all sectors of society must actively participate in:**

- **implementing** them and
- **monitoring** progress toward their achievement within every nation as well as at the UN.






# SDGs: a CALL to ACTION:



Women and men Religious have been working toward the SDGs for centuries and are well positioned to guide global and local leaders in fulfilling the promises of this agenda.

# OUR APPROACH





Coordinate efforts of Religious and their ministry partners to allow us to make a stronger, more unified call for a justice, equity, sustainability, and respect for rights on the local, national, and global levels.

We have begun our efforts in:

- Latin America and the Caribbean
- East & Southern African (Uganda, Zambia, and Zimbabwe)
- India
- United Nations Headquarters (New York City, USA)

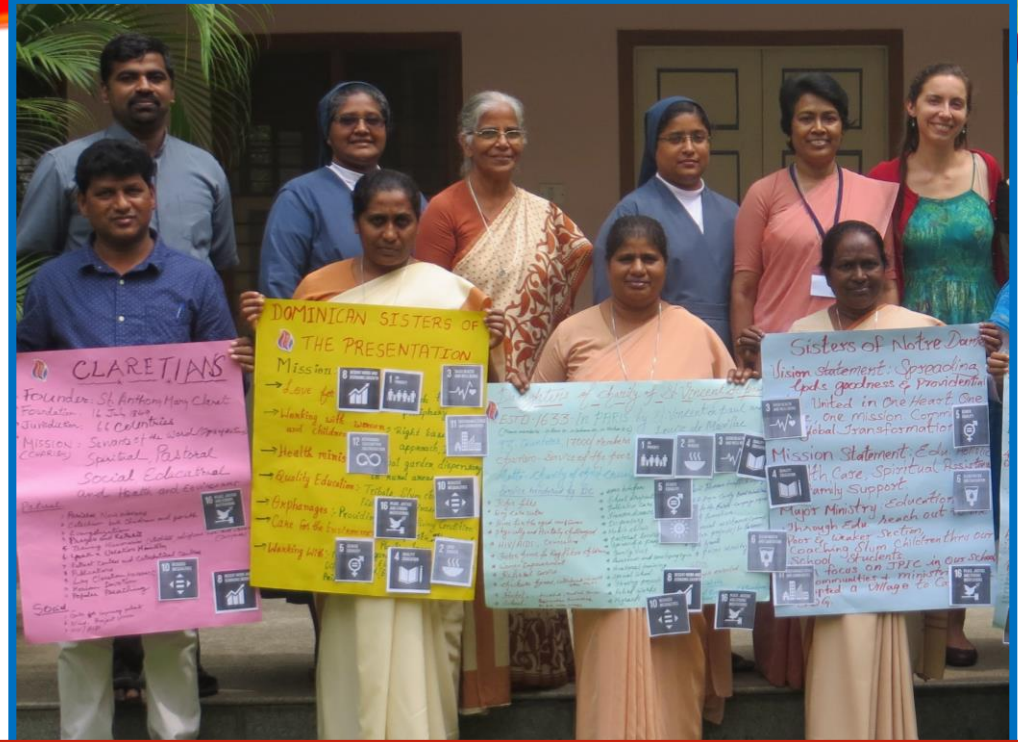
# WORKSHOPS

- Being held in each of the selected regions in 2019-2023
- Participation **open to all Catholic Religious (from any congregation or diocese) and their ministry partners** in the selected regions
- **Short-term component:** multiple days of dialogue and planning among members of different congregations and partner organizations
- **Long-term component:** collaboration to design and realise campaigns for systemic change in each region

# CAMPAIGNS

**Following these three days of dialogue, the JCoR network will:**

- Facilitate your continued contact and collaboration with one another via e-mail, phone, or in-person meetings
- Guide and support you in taking collective actions aimed at your selected issue(s) of concern
- Coordinate your messages and efforts with the advocacy efforts of those representing Religious congregations at UN (i.e. reinforce and complement at the global level the actions and messages you generate at the local or national levels)





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# GROUP DISCUSSIONS:

- What is my personal charism?  
From what Word of God is it derived?
- How does this personal charism intersect with my congregational/diocesan charism?
- How does this personal charism intersect with my congregational/diocesan mission?