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3RD. INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE OF PEDAGOGY

EDUCATION IN UNCERTAIN TIMES: THE PLACE OF CHRISTIAN HUMANISM AND OF THE PEDAGOGY OF THE SOCIETY OF JESUS

October 10-12, 2019

PRESENTATION

The whole world, and particularly Europe, is going through very difficult times, caused mainly by a serious identity crisis. If the future, already doubtful, causes us so much uncertainty, we will add much more insecurity and anguish to our existence if we passively and carelessly despise our historical and cultural past.

We always bring with us a past and a culture, which guarantee us an identity, a way of being and behaving. To forget them or to deny them will increase the bewilderment, the suffering and all kinds of risks that threaten us as individuals and as human community.

While political, economic, and social decision makers remain preoccupied with the conquest and maintenance of power, the welfare of each person and common welfare tend to turn into chimeras that one or another idealist still stubbornly pursue in the name of altruism or a greater good. Machiavelli is still alive! The illiteracy and ignorance of the weakest of society are used and abused, but voters! Right and left radicalisms and populisms are conquering followers and walking dangerously and fiercely towards power. Some religions contribute to this Babel: by their way of proceeding, they divide, associate themselves with terrorisms, and discredit God Himself - because they do not believe in man. Relativism, individualism, self-indulgence, "personal fulfillment", hedonism ... have been deified.

This Conference aims to contribute, with its reflection, to a New Humanist Reform, which should begin urgently, so that man, in the simultaneous use of reason and heart, can question his identity again, without compromising a millennial identity heritage resulting of so many and so valuable achievements at the civilizational level. Kant said that education is an art, the art of achieving the best possible development of human nature, the art of awakening and elevating the consciousness of each learner to the reality of

their peers, the art of developing his autonomy, the abilityto think for oneself. However, Christian Humanism and, within it, the pedagogy of the Society of Jesus, following Socrates, Plato, Aristotle, already had this very well explained in their educational "programs". For the Society of Jesus, on the path of Christian values and on the line of the Spiritual Exercises, education means precisely reform, firstly of the person and, through him/her, of society.

The challenge we face in this Third Conference is to make our way, rediscovering ourselves through the awareness of what our identity means. The urgency of the meeting involves exchanging points of view, albeit different, and reflecting on our historical and cultural roots, starting with education, "confronting it", in a constructive dialogue with areas of contemporaneity that are situated in “frontier” areas.

The present is undoubtedly synonymous with opportunity and hope. To be able to open new paths, in this encounter between tradition and actuality, between past and present, we are required courage, daring and creativity. Because the new paths must aim to strengthen a culture that draws us closer together, helps us live in and rebuild a community where truth is the sure foundation for a just, healthy and lasting peace.

1. Organization

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Pontificia Università Gregoriana

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2. Partnerships

CEFH - Center for Philosophical and Humanistic Studies

FCT - Foundation for Science and Technology

GRACOS - Group of Reflection and Analysis of the Schools of the Society of Jesus

Revista Interdisciplinar sobre o Desenvolvimento Humano (*Interdisciplinary Journal on Human Development - RIDH) - Manuel Leão Foundation*

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5. Thematic areas and Keynote Speakers

1) Education, Christian Humanism and 'Liquid' Modernity
Hans Zollner – Pontificia Università Gregoriana
2) Ignatian Pedagogy and Identity in the face of the Challenges of New Cultural 'Frontiers (Transhumanism, Gender, Migrations, Ecology, Violence, etc.)
José Alberto Mesa – Worldwide Secretary for Education Society of Jesus – Loyola University Chicago
3) The Ignatian Model in Leadership Training (Political, Economic, Social, Religious, etc.)
José María Guibert – Universidad de Deusto
4) Interreligious Dialogue and Education
Harun Behr – Goethe Universitat – Frankfurt Am Main
5) Ignatian pedagogy: from Pedro Arrupe to Arturo Sosa
Luiz Fernando Klein – Conferência dos Provinciais Jesuítas da América Latina

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Call for Papers

Academics, researchers, educators and educational professionals in general are invited to present communications on all topics related to the theme of the Conference *Education in uncertain times: the place of Christian Humanism and of the pedagogy of the Society of Jesus*, in the following areas:

1) Education and pedagogy
2) Humanities
3) Social sciences
4) Technological sciences
5) Communication sciences and mediology
6) Political science
7) History and comparative studies
8) Religion and spirituality

Abstracts and texts of the Communications

The communication proposals will be submitted, on an anonymous basis, by presenting an abstract, to the evaluation of at least two members of the Scientific Committee of the Conference, and selected by the Organizing Committee. The proposed abstracts of the communications should not exceed 500 words (excluding references) and should clearly outline objectives and issues, theoretical framework and methods of analysis, data and expected results. They can not mention the author (s), nor his/her institution or address.

The subject of the email must be "abstract-communication proposal". The body of the email should contain the following information:

1) Name (s) of the author (s)
2) Institution (s) to which he/she/they belong(s)
3) Title of the Communication
4) Full postal address
5) Email address (email)
6) Telephone and / or fax number
7) Thematic area in which the Communication is preferably registered
(8) One (or more) of the above mentioned fields of research.

The abstracts should be sent in an attachment, preferably in .doc, .docx or RTF format (also in PDF version, if it contains special symbols), to the following official electronic address: educacaoemtemposincertos2019@braga.ucp.pt.

The approved communication proposals will be presented publicly during the Conference by the author (or authors) in a period of time corresponding to twenty minutes (with a further ten minutes of debate).

Note: A selection of the best original texts submitted to an *inter pares* review (*peer review*) through a double-blind anonymous system, which should not exceed 8,000 words (including footnotes and bibliography), will be published. The texts can be written in Portuguese, Spanish, English and French in *.doc* or *.docx* format. The style guide is the *16th Chicago Manual*.

The style norms will be publicized opportunely in the site of the Conference: www.braga.ucp.pt/educacaoEmTemposIncertos2019.

Deadlines

The deadline for submission of abstracts is **15 May 2019**.

June 30, 2019 is the date of notification of the results to the Authors.

After being informed about the results, the Authors will officially sign up for Communications, by filling the **Registration Form** by then available online.

The final formulation of the Program will be afterwards publicized by the Organizing Committee.

The deadline for registration and payment by the participants presenting communications is scheduled for **September 12, 2019**.

Registrations

Early Registration:

Participants: 140 Euros

Teachers of Basic and Secondary Education and participants of the partner entities of the Faculty of Philosophy and Social Sciences: 100 Euros

Graduate students *: 100 Euros

CRBr Students: 30 Euros

(Deadline for registration and payment by participants who do not present communication: 15 September 2019)

Registration after 15 September 2019:

Participants: 180 Euros

Teachers of Basic and Secondary Education and participants of the partner entities of the Faculty of Philosophy and Social Sciences: 140 Euros

Graduated students *: 140 Euros

CRBr Students: 50 Euros

* By means of the presentation of a documentary evidence

This amount includes:
a) certificate of participation;
b) support material: folders, paper, program, book of abstracts, coffee break.

Note: This Conference is accredited by the CCPFP (Scientific-Pedagogical Council for Continuous Formation).
The registration form will be available from June 30, 2019.

Place of the Conference

The Conference will be held at the Faculty of Philosophy and Social Sciences of the Regional Center of Braga of the UCP, located in the centre of the city of Braga, a 5 minutes walk from Avenida Central or Arcada (limited parking).

Accommodation

The list of hotels and the booking form will soon be available on our website: www.braga.ucp.pt/educacaoEmTemposIncertos2019.

Social and cultural program

October 11, 2019: Dinner / Concert with musical group animation.
(Registration: XX Euros)

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