



## **POPE FRANCIS INVITES YOUNG ECONOMISTS TO ASSISI, BOOKINGS ARE OPEN FOR THE UNDER 35s**

*The event will be held from 26<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> March. Present among others: Yunus, Frey, Meloto, Petrini, Raworth, Sachs, Sen, Shiva and Zamagni*

ASSISI (PERUGIA), LUG - Registration is underway for the three days commissioned by **Pope Francis** for young *economists, entrepreneurs* and *change-makers* from around the world. From **26<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> March, Assisi** will host the international event *The Economy of Francis: young people, a commitment, the future*. The invitation to participate comes directly from the Holy Father and is addressed to young people up to the age of 35. You can submit your application by 30 September via the website [www.francescoeconomy.org](http://www.francescoeconomy.org).

*The Economy of Francis* event will consist of workshops, artistic and plenary events with the best-known economists, experts in sustainable development and business people who are engaged today worldwide in a different economy and will reflect and work together with young people. Nobel laureates **Muhammad Yunus** and **Amarthya Sen** have already confirmed they will attend. Other participants include **Bruno Frey, Tony Meloto, Carlo Petrini, Kate Raworth, Jeffrey Sachs, Vandana Shiva** and **Stefano Zamagni**.

It is not a traditional conference but an experience where theory and practice engage to build new ideas and new ways of working together. A programme where time slows down to leave room for reflection and silence, for stories and meetings, for art and spirituality, so that the thought and economic action of young people will emerge.

The meeting is aimed at young people under 35 involved in *research*: students and scholars in Economics and other related disciplines (master's students, doctoral research programmes, young researchers); and in *business*: entrepreneurs and managers. Participation is also open to *change-makers* and promoters of activities at the service of the common good and of a just, sustainable and inclusive economy.

The proposal is to make a commitment with the young people, beyond differences of beliefs and nationalities, to change the current economy and give a soul to that of tomorrow so that it is more just, sustainable and with active engagement by those who at present are excluded.

500 young people will be chosen from among all the candidates to attend a pre-event scheduled for 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> March: it will be an opportunity for work and study that will continue during the days of the event (26-27-28) together with all the other participants.

Full information is available on the website [www.francescoeconomy.org](http://www.francescoeconomy.org)

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