

CHANGE AGENTS PROGRAM BOOK

Dear Young Change Maker:

On behalf of the Africa Task Force of the Vatican COVID-19 Commission hosted by the Jesuit Justice and Ecology Network-Africa (JENA), we would like to welcome you to Nairobi for the Economy of Francesco Africa Regional Hub change-maker's Encounter taking place from 27th September 2021 to 1st October 2021. We shall meet two years after the publication of Pope Francis' May 1st letter and after the event in November 2020, as young African economists, entrepreneurs and change makers to unite in the common commitment to revive the economy in the wake of the COVID-19 shock that has seriously impacted the global economy and revealed multiple other crises affecting the world. At a time when the world is still wounded by the global emergency caused by the COVID-19 pandemic, the Pope's call to live the Economy of Francesco as a vocation, a culture and a covenant resonates even more urgently:

“Dear young people, ... This exercise – encountering one another aside from all legitimate differences – is the first step towards any change that can help generate a new cultural and consequently economic, political and social mentality. For you will never be able to undertake great things solely from a theoretical or individual perspective, without a spirit that drives you, without meaningful interior motivations, without a sense of belonging and rootedness that can enhance personal and communal activities”. Pope Francis

We live in a world that drastically demands new solutions to pressing challenges and for changemakers who can find new ways to creatively adapt to the modern era. In today's change-driven environment, nobody holds the complete solution. Everybody is a changemaker. Therefore, it is essential for today's youth to be equipped with the necessary tools to address challenges shared across the globe—from eliminating poverty to providing clean air and water to all.

The Economy of Francesco Africa Regional Hub change-maker's Encounter will provide a dynamic environment that will bring a community together to engage in inspiring conversations around the development and practice of key skills for success in a changemaker world. Through a combination of talks, inspiring panels, and workshops, **The EoF Africa Change Makers' Encounter** will prepare today's youth and allies for the challenges of tomorrow by providing them with opportunities to access collective intelligence, lead with humanity, and engage in rigorous, creative problem solving. Regardless of one's skills, talents, and aspirations, these changemaking skills are fundamentally important for everyone to develop and master. We have designed this Weekend to provide an opportunity for self-reflection, dialogue, listening and observation and seed relevant networks to help you grow your change initiative, create opportunities for collaboration and achieve a greater impact.

Furthermore, the Africa EoF Regional Hub Encounter will plug into the 2nd October 2021 EoF global event, which **is an opportunity for young entrepreneurs, economists and changemakers from the 5 continents to meet**, simultaneously, in many countries of the world and together moot initiatives that will culminate in a common and global online event, connected from Assisi. The Economy of Francesco process is an opportunity for all young people who feel called to commit themselves to an economy attentive to the least and capable of caring for the planet, to build together a process of global change and give life to a new season of economic thought and practice.

We are looking forward to sharing with you moments of great inspiration.

Sincerely,
Fr. Charles Chilufya, SJ

A G E N D A

DAY 0 : 27TH SEPTEMBER 2021.

Building a Community

12:00PM - 6:00PM

Arrival and Meeting Up

NAIROBI, KENYA

A welcome team will meet participants upon arrival at the airport, where a shuttle will take them to the Dimesse Sisters Retreat Centre in Karen Nairobi. For those arriving in Nairobi earlier in the day, arrangements will be made to meet you earlier

Check-in at the Retreat Centre

The Dimesse Sisters Retreat Centre is situated in Karen, Nairobi

Please take a moment to check-in to your room and enjoy the surroundings before dinner.

[Here is link to the location](#) of the location of the retreat centres

6:00PM - 9:00PM

Welcome Dinner

RETREAT CENTRE

Mingling from 6:00pm to 6:30pm, followed by dinner and introductions, and a welcome ceremony.

DAY 1: 28TH SEPTEMBER

Leading Change from Within

7:30AM - 8:45AM **Breakfast at Retreat Centre**

RETREAT CENTRE Breakfast will be served in the dining area. Please also take the time to enjoy the surroundings this morning.

9:00AM - 10:00AM **Reflection Exercise: The Path Ahead**

CONFERENCE HALL We'll begin the day with a centering and warm-up exercise, Led by Jordan Glassman, and Charlie Chilufya, S.J.

10:15AM - 11:00AM **Introductions**

We shall have welcome remarks introduction of the Encounter, of participants and resource persons. Set the ground rules for our time together, setting the context and reflect on the goals for the next two days.

Led by Nerima Wako

11:00AM - 11:30AM **Health Break**

11:30AM - 12:45PM **Key Presentations**

We shall have two presentations

Topic one: Ordering one's Life and Growing Conscious Empathy – Ashoka Africa

Topic Two: Practicing Change Making – Ashoka East Africa

12:45PM- 1:00PM **Examen-Fernando Saldivar, S.J.**

1:00 PM - 2:00PM **Lunch**

2:00PM - 2:45PM African Champions of Humanity

Mandela Video

DAY 1: 28TH SEPTEMBER

Leading Change from Within

2:45PM – 3:45PM

Break Out Group Discussion

3:45PM – 4:30 PM

Plenary

4:30PM – 5:00PM

Health Break

5:00PM - 5:30PM

Real Life Stories
Theme #1: Nerima Wako
Theme #2: Mercy Chelangat

5:30PM - 6:00PM

Wrap-up and Reflection

Pause to synthesize and review the day: Jordan Glassman and Charlie Chilufya, SJ

6:00PM - 7:00PM

Downtime

7:00PM - 9:00PM
RETREAT CENTRE

Dinner

Mingling from 6:30pm to 7:00pm, followed by dinner, but the focus is on relaxing and enjoying each other's company.

DAY 2 : 29TH SEPTEMBER 2021

Building a Movement of Changemakers and Implementing Change

- 7:30AM - 8:00AM** **Breakfast at the Retreat Centre**
Breakfast will be served in the dining area. Please also take the time to enjoy the surroundings this morning.
- RETREAT CENTRE**
- 8:00AM - 8:30AM** **Reflection & Warm-up**
A warm-up and focus exercise: Bryan Galligan, S.J
- CONFERENCE HALL**
- 8:30AM - 9:30AM** **Overview of the Economy of Francesco: Fernando Saldivar, S.J and Dominic Chai, S.J.**
- 9:30AM - 10:00AM** **Introduction of Case Study: Dominic Chai, S.J**
- 10:00AM - 10:30PM** **Health Break**
- 10:30AM - 12:00PM** **Break Out Groups**
- 12.00PM – 12:45PM** **Plenary**
- 12:45PM – 1.00PM** **Examen: Bryan Galligan, SJ**
- 1.00PM – 2.00PM** **Lunch Break**
- 2:00PM – 3:00PM** **Introducing Case Study 2: Charlie Chilufya**
Video: Stealing from Africa
- 3.00PM – 4.15PM** **Group Work**
- 4.15PM – 5.00PM** **Plenary**
- 5:00PM - 5:30PM** **Wrap-up and Reflection**
Pause to synthesize and review the day: Fernando Saldivar and Bryan Galligan, S.J.
- 5:30PM - 6:30PM** **Conclusions and Planning the Way Forward**
- 7:00PM - 9:00PM** **Dinner**
RETREAT CENTRE Mingling from 6:30pm to 7:00pm, followed by dinner, but the focus is on relaxing and enjoying each other's company.

LOGISTICS & SAFETY INFORMATION

Welcome to Nairobi! Please refer to this document for logistical information about your stay.

Nairobi Airport Ground Transportation: For those that are flying into Nairobi from other countries, please exit the airport, where a trusted team member will be waiting and holding an SJ sign. The driver will transport you to the retreat centre.

For those based in Nairobi, please arrange your own travel to make it to the retreat centre. Located in the Karen neighborhood of Nairobi.

Accommodations Information: All program events and lodging will take place at.....

More details can be found here:

Travel: Working with our travel agent, we have secured and covered costs of flights for those based outside of Kenya. All participants from within Kenya traveling to Nairobi will be reimbursed for their travel, provided that you have your receipts.

Meals: We shall have three meals (breakfast, lunch, dinner). There will also be tea and snacks Available. Please let us know if you have any special diet requirements.

Weather: The temperate weather for Nairobi in September will range from 19°C to 25°C (from cooler “sweater weather” to warm sunshine

Attire: We suggest packing smart-casual attire, as well as dressing for comfort. Please bring some warm clothes for the early morning and evenings, as well as some comfortable walking shoes for potential outdoor excursions.

Safety: While it is unlikely that you will be a victim of a crime or harm during your time in Nairobi and at the retreat centre, it is best to be mindful of your property and surroundings. In Nairobi, avoid drawing attention to yourself as a tourist or someone who’s lost: don't stand on street corners looking at maps, and do your best to walk confidently, as this will deter many criminals. Please only use trusted taxis, let us know if you require a taxi recommendation. Use caution when using ATMs, and don't carry too much cash around with you. Never leave the premises without informing a staff member about your destination.

Money: We recommend bringing cash for any personal expenses, such as gifts, outings for coffee and for any transportation with Nairobi after the group arrives back into town. There are numerous bureaux de changes. Let us know if you need money changed and we could facilitate that.

PARTICIPANT PROFILES & CONTACT INFORMATION

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5. Given- Global Activist, Education
6. Nondumiso- SDGs Champion
7. Jean- Social Entrepreneur
8. Nolutando- Lawyer
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