

# The Economics of Fraternity

From Lived Reality  
to Measured Impact

## Overview

- International Summer School for young economists, academics, entrepreneurs, and changemakers of the Economy of Francesco community.
- Focused on fraternity as an economic principle, explored through academic input, dialogue, collaborative work, spiritual reflection, and encounters with local realities.
- Designed as a space where theory and practice, research and experience, and community life and formation can meet.

## Main components

- Academic lectures and plenary sessions
- Participant presentations and poster sessions
- Fraternity Challenge in working groups
- Moments of spiritual reflection
- Encounters with local institutions and initiatives
- Shared meals, informal exchange, and community-building moments
- Final synthesis and future-oriented discussion

## Program

### Saturday 29th of August (Osnabrück)

- Arrival

### Sunday 30th of August (Innovatorium, Osnabrück)

- Official opening of the Summer School
- Spiritual Reflection
- Lectures by Luigino Bruni
- Encounters with local actors from Osnabrück (Carolyn Lauhoff, Managing Director of Stephanswerk Osnabrück, Maren Wilmes, Managing Director of the Caritasverband)
- Groups dinner in the city

### Monday 31st of August (Innovatorium, Osnabrück)

- Spiritual reflection
- Sessions on innovation, AI, enterprise and urban development (Dr. Henning Müller, Norbert Gemmeke, Prof. Dr. Felix Osterheider)
- Start of the Fraternity Challenge
- Poster sessions and labs
- Evening dinner (Katharina Pötter, Mayor of the City of Osnabrück, and Stephan Muhle, former State Secretary)

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### Tuesday 01st of September (Innovatorium, Osnabrück)

- Spiritual reflection
- Session by the Economy of Francesco Foundation: World Fraternity Report
- Plenary discussion on measuring relational goods and fraternal dynamics
- Fraternity Challenge
- Poster sessions and peer dialogue

### Wednesday 02nd of September (Dreiflessen, Mettingen)

- Spiritual reflection
- Welcome to Draiflessen
- Lecture and dialogue with Helen Alford on fraternity in practice, enterprise, ecology and human relationships
- Presentation of the Fraternity Challenge proposals
- Visits and activities in the city of Mettingen
- Dinner and informal exchange

### Thursday 03rd of September (Innovatorium, Osnabrück)

- Spiritual moment
- Final wrap-up session
- key insights, open questions and future collaborations
- Closing words
- Departures