



Canossian Educational Frontiers International Meeting

9<sup>TH</sup> 10<sup>TH</sup> 11<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2025

Istituto Canossiano "S. Trovaso"  
Fondamenta de le Romite,  
1323 Dorsoduro  
Venezia

# VENICE INTERNATIONAL MEETING

**Learning for life - Canossian Educational Frontiers** is an appointment that brings together Canossian educational realities, both Italian and International, in a scenario of dialogue and exchange on the fundamentals of the Canossian Educational Charism.

The heritage of the educational mission of Santa Maddalena di Canossa found its implementation in different cultures and geographical contexts, highlighting how charismatic values are able to adapt to the cultural and social specificities of each world context. The theme of evangelisation as the proclamation of a new life capable of personal and social transformation will be one of the first topic addressed by the delegations from the Philippines, Hong Kong, India, Italy, Singapore, Tanzania and Togo.

Likewise, attention to the poorest as a primary choice, the personalisation of educational service as care for the person and uniqueness of style, common civic sense capable of building a fairer and more solidarity-based society, a foretaste of an authentic universal fraternity, will be revisited and set in the anthropological, cultural and linguistic contexts of the countries represented. **Cardinal José Tolentino de Mendonça** will conclude this three-day event with a preview of the future challenges that await the Canossian Educational in the coming years, starting from the theme of Hope.

## DELEGATIONS



**HONG KONG:** Sister Fok Wai Man Veronica, Law Kenneth [St. Francis' Canossian College](#).



**INDIA:** Sister Cardozo Antoneta Marcelino, Sister Lobo Carmelina Pius [St. Joseph's Canossian Convent School](#), Sister Fernandes Vailankani, Sister Nunes Anna Maria [Canossa High School](#).



**ITALY:** [ENAC Emilia Romagna ETS](#) Antozzi Fiammetta, Bisagni Maria Paola. Sister Pagiato Marilena, Rizzo Federica, Agnesi Alice [Istituto "Matilde di Canossa](#), Sister Cantaluppi Alessandra, Serafin Stefano [Istituto Canossiano "Vittorino da Feltre"](#)



**PHILIPPINES:** Sister Amante Lina [Canossa College](#), Adoc Eden Dacillo [Canossa Academy](#).



**SINGAPORE:** Chua Corinna, Goh Priscilla, Sister Pavri Cecily, Quek Nicole [St. Anthony's Canossian School](#).



**TANZANIA:** Sister Nalule Susan Stella, Nanyaro Prisca Augustino [Canossa High School](#).



**TOGO:** Alfa Akila, Sister Benissan Adodjissih Yawavi Gnoinva Koko [ISAC Institut Supérieur Agata Carelli](#).

## WEDNESDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> JULY

2.00 PM Welcoming of the participants and registration

2.30 PM Prayer

Greetings by **Mother Josemary Keelath**  
General Vicar Mother

Introduction of Seminar **Mother Elena Pilastro**  
Superior of the Italian Province

3.00 PM **The presence of Canossian educational realities in Italy and around the world: maps**

3.10 PM Presentation of International Canossian educational realities:  
**Hong Kong, India, Philippines, Singapore, Tanzania, Togo**

4.30 PM Coffee Break

5.00 PM **THE ANNOUNCEMENT “Above all make Jesus known”**

‘He is not loved because he is not known’ said  
Santa Maddalena di Canossa.

How do the various Canossian educational realities promote announcement and evangelisation? How is Jesus narrated? What instilling of the Canossian Charism has been achieved in the educational and territorial context?

### Speeches by international delegations

6.15 PM **Above all make Jesus known**  
Spiritual Reflection

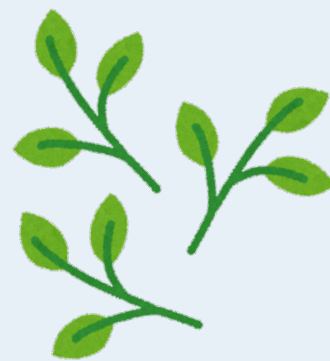
6.45 PM Conclusion

7.30 PM Dinner



“indispensabile diviene per noi facendolo di farlo bene” *MSC*

## THURSDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> JULY



- 7.30 AM Holy Mass by **Father Carlo Bittante**  
Provost General of Canossian Sons of Charity
- 8.00 AM Breakfast
- 8.45 AM Welcoming of the participants and registration  
Prayer
- 9.15 AM **PERSONALIZATION** “[...] **Sisters should try to handle each one in its own proper way, valuing the benefit of the heart education...**”  
In what ways is personal attention and the personalization of education realized in the Canossian educational approach? Which characteristics assume the Educational Style concerning Santa Maddalena teaching that indicates kindness and firmness, family-friendliness and respect, gratuitousness and joy?  
**Speeches by seven delegations**
- 10.45 AM Coffee Break
- 11.15 AM **ATTENTION TO THE POOR** “**I entrust my beloved poor as much as I can.**” How do we realize the spirit of the “Schools of Charity”? How do we safeguard the principle of the “Gratuitousness of Service” and “Openness to the poorest”?  
**Speeches by seven delegations**
- 1.00 PM Lunch
- 2.30 PM **COMMUNITY** “**Charity is a fire that keeps growing and seeks to embrace everything.**”  
What’s the contribution of our educational works to the family and to the civil, social and cultural community? How can we educate people/citizens who promote a more inclusive and supportive society? **Speeches by seven delegations**
- 4.00 PM Coffee Break
- 4.30 PM **HOPE** **What signs of restlessness and hope in young people today?** **Workshops in groups**  
What future pathways do we open for our students through the Canossian Education? What is the fruitfulness of the Canossian Charism in educating for life?
- 6.30 PM Conclusion
- 7.30 PM Dinner

# FRIDAY 11<sup>TH</sup> JULY



7.30 AM Holy Mass

8.00 AM Breakfast

9.00 AM Welcoming of the participants and registration  
Prayer

## **Educating through hope**

**Cardinal José Tolentino de Mendonça**

Prefect of the Dicastery for Culture and Education  
of Vatican State

11.00 AM Coffee Break

11.30 AM **Sharing of common final considerations in Assembly**

We share ideas, thoughts, insights, intuitions, invitations, advice  
and much more

12.15 AM **Closing of the Seminar**

**Mother Josemary Keelath**

General Vicar

**Mother Elena Pilastro**

Superior of the Italian Province

12.30 AM Lunch and Departures



## **Seminar facilitators:**

Marco Bonis

Ettore Sartorio

Canossian sisters around the world

