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Presentation of the image of the days in the Dioceses

Lisbon, Portugal - The image for the days in the Dioceses was recently presented. The author Miguel Mendes, coordinator of the communication team of the Salesian Foundation.

The image presented shows the 17 Sees / Cathedrals of the various Dioceses, drawn from photographs, with some identifying details of each, following the graphic aesthetics of wyd Lisbon 2023.

For Miguel Mendes, the biggest challenge of the project was "to be able to put the 17 cathedrals in a single image, in a dynamic way that maintained details that allowed to identify easily each of the cathedrals." To realize the idea, the designer and coordinator of the communication team of the Salesian Foundation, opted for the "use of different perspectives". Maintaining the graphic aesthetic of wyd Lisbon 2023, the image is composed of three main colours: red, green and yellow.

"It is an honour, and a joy, to be able to leave my mark on an event that has been dreamed of since the days I belonged to the team of the National Department of Youth Ministry and when I participated in WYD 2011, which took place in Madrid", he stresses.

Committed to the preparation of this WYD Lisbon 2023, Miguel Mendes highlights "working for a year in wyd Don BOSCO communication 23 and now in the picture of days in the Dioceses is the culmination of years of work for the communication of the church and Youth Ministry in Portugal".

The days in Dioceses initiative will take place from the 26 to 31st of July 2023, in 17 Dioceses in Portugal mainland and Islands.

About the days in the Dioceses

The days in the Dioceses are an itinerary of preparation for WYD Lisbon 2023, designed for the pilgrims and their respective host communities. Thus, in the week before WYD Lisbon 2023 the Dioceses of Algarve, Angra, Aveiro, Beja, Braga, Bragança-Miranda, Coimbra, Évora, Funchal, Guarda, Lamego, Leiria-Fátima, Portalegre, Castelo Branco, Porto, Viana do Castelo, Vila Real and Viseu will receive pilgrims from all over the world.

The purpose of this initiative is to provide an ecclesial experience of shared faith, of belonging to the church, and the community, as well as by making known the richness of traditions, culture and of patrimony of each of these 17 Dioceses.



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About WYD DON BOSCO 23

WYD DON BOSCO 23 is the name of the Salesian Youth Movement organization responsible for the summoning and participation of young people from various Salesian environments around the world in WYD Lisbon 2023, living in accordance with the charism of Don Bosco. WYD DON BOSCO 23 wants to motivate young people to follow this path as a pilgrimage, which strengthens their faith and challenges others who are further away to get to know the Living Christ.

WYD DON BOSCO 23 arose from the combination of the acronym, in English, which refers to World Youth Day, as well as the word “with”; Don Bosco, as an aggregator of the Salesian family; and the date of the meeting.

About the Salesian Foundation

The Salesian Foundation is a social solidarity institution, established by the Portuguese province of Salesian-missionary Corporation, which fosters education for citizenship, peace, justice, the common good and environmental education, as a fundamental support for the harmonious development of children and young people, as well as their families, assisting the competent public services and other private institutions, in the spirit of human, social and Christian Solidarity.

The Salesian Foundation defines its activity by an ideology that aims to help prepare the new generations for the coexistence of true fraternity, solidarity, and responsible freedom, in the world of work.

Allowing an integral and harmonious formation, through the development of teaching and cultural activities, sports, recreation, and leisure activities, it also develops social responses, as well as research in the scope of social, educational-pedagogical and pastoral Sciences.

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