

## 25 April 2025: Fourth Session

### “Integral Ecology”

**Chair:** **Inocent-Mária Vladimír Szaniszló**  
*Pontifical Angelicum University, Rome*

#### Resource Persons:

- 1) **Celia Deane-Drummond**, *Laudato Si’ Research Institute, University of Oxford*
- 2) **Allen Oflaro**, *Catholic Youth Network for Environmental Sustainability, Nairobi*
- 3) **Antonio Molavin**, *Don Bosco Green Alliance, Philippines*
- 4) **Diana Marin**, *Catholic Climate Covenant, USA*

## 15 May 2025: Fifth Session

### “Lines of Action”

**Chair:** **Claudia Caneva**  
*Pontifical Lateran University*

#### Resource Persons:

- 1) **Lindlyn Moma**, *Laudato Si’ Movement, Advocacy Director, South Africa*
- 2) **Neil Thorns**, *CAFOD - Catholic International Development Charity, UK*
- 3) **Prabhat Kennedy Soreng**, *St. Xavier’s Autonomous College, Ranchi*
- 4) **John Mundell**, *Laudato Si’ Action Platform*

## 29 May 2025: International Online Conference: “10th Anniversary of Laudato Si’”

**Chair:** **Joshtrom Isaac Kureethadam**,  
*Salesian Pontifical University and Jackie Miller, Partnership for Change*

## 26 June 2025: Sixth Session

### “Ecological Education and Spirituality”

**Chair:** **Giuseppe Buffon**  
*Pontifical Antonianum University*

#### Resource Persons:

- 1) **Amy Echeverria**, *Justice, Peace and Ecology Sector of Columban Missionaries*
- 2) **Michael Schuck**, *Loyola University, Chicago*
- 3) **Tomás Insua**, *Laudato Si’ Movement, Assisi*
- 4) **Emanuela Chiang**, *Youth Pastoral Department – Salesians of Don Bosco*





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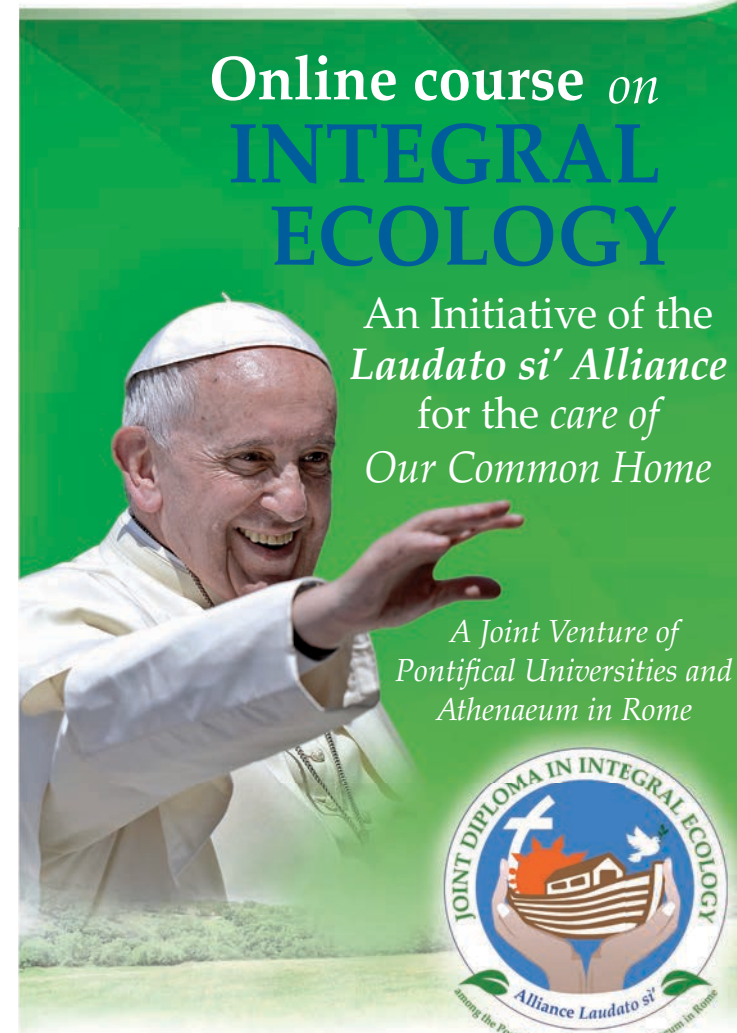
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## INTRODUCTION

2025 marks the tenth anniversary of *Laudato Si'*, Pope Francis' landmark encyclical letter on the *Care for Our Common Home*, in which he invited all people of good to "a new dialogue about how we are shaping the future of our planet" (*Laudato Si'*, 14). However, as Pope Francis recognizes in *Laudate Deum*, the apostolic exhortation published on 4th October 2023, "our responses have not been adequate" and "the world in which we live is collapsing and may be nearing the breaking point." (*Laudate Deum*, 2).

The recently concluded Climate Summit in Baku in Azerbaijan (COP29) has painfully demonstrated that we continue to remain largely deaf to the growing "cry of the earth and the cry of the poor" (*Laudato Si'*, 49). Time is running out. However, we have yet to wake up to the gravity of the existential threat to life and civilization on this planet that we call "home".

The unprecedented challenge facing the planet and people can only be addressed through the lens of an integral ecological vision that Pope Francis championed in *Laudato Si'*. Rebuilding of our common home and our common human and biotic family calls for an alliance of all members of our household, cutting across of all segments of society. It was in the spirit of this prophetic mission that the Pontifical Universities and Atheneums in Rome came together soon after the publication of *Laudato Si'* to initiate the Joint Diploma in Integral Ecology. On the eighth anniversary of this collective and fruitful effort, we are happy to announce the re-launch of the English edition of this initiative offered on-line.

The Certificate Course in Integral Ecology is taught by a renowned faculty of academics, leaders and activists from around the world, representing some of the major institutions and groups involved in the area of creation care. The course consists of six modules of 90 minutes each to be held from January to June 2025 (on every third Thursday of the month from 14.00 to 15.30 hrs CEST/GMT+1), and an on-line international conference to mark the tenth anniversary of *Laudato Si'* in May.

The Course will be officially inaugurated on 30<sup>th</sup> January and admissions remain open until 15<sup>th</sup> March. Participants will be enrolled at the Gregorian Pontifical University in Rome (the secretariat of the course) and will have access to on-line services such as the digital library, course materials, etc. The enrolment fees has been deliberately kept low: **30 euros only** (with the possibility of scholarships for needy students), in order to facilitate wide participation, with a view to creating the mass movement of people from below for the care of our common home and one another, in the current era of planetary emergency.

Upon completion of the course, participants will be awarded a certificate upon request, and can also become official *Laudato Si'* Animators (thanks to the *Laudato Si'* Movement).

## OBJECTIVES

- 1) To promote and spread the message of both *Laudato si'* and *Laudate Deum* and to initiate a sort of cultural revolution, creating ecological awareness among people.
- 2) To educate and encourage people to take some personal as well as common initiatives to care for *Our Common Home*.

## CONTENT AND MODALITY

The Course in Integral Ecology will consist of six modules of 90 minutes each to be held from January to June 2025 (on every third Thursday of the month from 14.00 to 15.30 hrs CEST/GMT+1), along with an international online conference on *Laudate Deum* that will be organized on 15 May 2025. Online enrolment for the course will open in December 2024, and on completing the program attendees will be awarded a certificate of participation on request.

## COURSE ENROLLMENT

For on-line enrollment please go to:  
<https://immatricolazioni.unigre.it/>

## REQUIRED INFORMATION:

- 1) Identity Card/Passport (Pdf)
- 2) A short presentation (100 words) of the motive to pursue the Course (Pdf)
- 3) Enrollment and Course Fee of € 30 can be paid by Bank Transfer/PayPal  
**N.B.** In case of any need for help or for financial assistance please contact: [jdei.english@unigre.it](mailto:jdei.english@unigre.it)

## PROGRAMME

The Course will be handled by an international faculty of renowned academics, leaders and activists in the area of creation care, drawn from the Pontifical Universities and Atheneums in Rome and from around the world.

## 30 January 2025: First Session

**"What is Happening to Our Common Home?"**

**Chair:** Prem Xalxo

*Pontifical Gregorian University, Rome*

**Resource Persons:**

- 1) **Susana Réfega**, *Laudato Si' Movement*
- 2) **Mauricio Lopez**, *Ecclesial Conference of the Amazon*
- 3) **Rodne Galicha**, *Living Laudato Si' Philippines*
- 4) **Jostrom Isaac Kureethadam**, *Dicastery for Promoting Integral Human Development and Salesian Pontifical University, Rome*

## 20 February 2025: Second Session

**"The Gospel of Creation"**

**Chair:** Arturo Bellocq

*Pontifical Holy Cross University, Rome*

**Resource Persons:**

- 1) **Sheila Kinsey**, *Former Co-Chair, Commission for Justice, Peace and Integrity of Creation, USG/UISG, Rome*,
- 2) **Erin Lothes**, *Centre for Earth Ethics, New York*
- 3) **Angelito Andig Cortez**, *Justice, Peace, and Integrity of Creation - Order of the Friars Minor*
- 4) **Prem Xalxo**, *Pontifical Gregorian University, Rome*

## 20 March 2025: Third Session

**"The Human Roots of the Crisis"**

**Chair:** Giulia Lombardi

*Pontifical Urban University, Rome*

**Resource Persons:**

- 1) **Dominique Lambert**, *Université de Namur, Belgium*
- 2) **Jacqui Remond**, *Australian Catholic University*
- 3) **Inocent-Mária Vladimir Szaniszló**, *Pontifical University of St. Thomas Aquinas - Angelicum*
- 4) **Michael Terrien**, *Archdiocese of Chicago*