



International Conference of the Famvin Homeless Alliance (FHA)

26-28 November

Casa Maria Immacolata, Rome

About the Famvin Homeless Alliance

The Vincentian Family, with a membership of over two million people, is a global Catholic movement rooted in the spirituality and example of St Vincent de Paul.

The Famvin Homeless Alliance (FHA) was set up in 2017 to mark the 400th anniversary of the birth of the Vincentian Charism. We aim to bring together the global Vincentian Family to provide practical help and encourage systemic change for the estimated 1.2 billion people in this world who are without a place to call home (including street homeless people; refugees and internally displaced persons; as well as those living in slums and inadequate housing).

With the help of the entire Vincentian Family, the FHA is working to place street homelessness as a measure in the UN's Sustainable Development Goals and to make a real and sustainable difference to the lives of thousands of homeless people.

About the Famvin Homeless Alliance Conference

The Famvin Homeless Alliance conference brings together over 100 Vincentians working in homelessness from six continents, to hear and learn from each other and experts in the field. The conference will offer skills and knowledge to those practitioners so they can improve their service, as well as offering opportunities to directly engage in Famvin Homeless Alliance initiatives.

The main topics of the conference centre around the three forms of homelessness tackled by the FHA (street homelessness; refugees/IDPs; and slum dwellings). Keynote lectures are delivered by a range of senior leaders. Speakers come from organisations including the Dicastery for Promoting Integral Human Development, Caritas, the Daughters of Charity and Congregation of the Mission, the SSVP, Depaul International and the Institute of Global Homelessness.

Speakers include such leaders as:

- Mons. Bruno Marie Duffé (Secretary of the Dicastery for Promoting Integral Human Development)
- Dame Louise Casey (former UK government homelessness czar and Chair of the Institute of Global Homelessness)
- Fr Robert Maloney CM (former Superior General of the Congregation of the Mission and the Daughters of Charity)
- Sr Carol Keehan DC (CEO of Catholic Health Association of the United States)
- Mark McGreevy OBE (Chief Executive of homelessness charity Depaul International and coordinator of the Famvin Homeless Alliance)
- Matthew Carter (Humanitarian Director at CAFOD and former Chair of the Humanitarian Committee at Caritas Internationalis)
- Kevin Hyland OBE (former UK government anti-slavery Commissioner)
- Rosanne Haggerty (Chief Executive of US homelessness charity Community Solutions)