



*My esteemed religious brother,  
Provincial Superior, Vice-Provincial or Delegate,*

As I informed you at our previous meeting in Warsaw (May 2015), the next meeting of the Superior General and the members of the General Consulta with the major Superiors of the Order will be celebrated in Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso, on 9-16 October 2016.

- The location of the meeting is the **Cardinal Paul Zoungrana Centre** which is in the centre of the capital city near to the ‘*Centre Médical S. Camille*’ of Ouagadougou.

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- This meeting forms a part of the celebrations of the jubilee year for the ***fiftieth anniversary of the arrival of the Camillians in Burkina Faso*** (celebration/event envisaged for **16 October 2016**, with an invitation to take part extended to all those of our religious brothers who have made possible the presence of the Camillians in Burkina Faso).
- The jubilee spirit will also be the context to celebrate together the ***Canonical Erection of the Camillian New Province of Burkina Faso*** (celebration/event envisaged for **13 October 2016**).
- Our religious brothers of Burkina Faso have already begun to celebrate the Jubilee Year of Mercy, and at a specific level the arrival of the first Camillians fifty years ago, with a whole series of spiritual, formation, vocational and liturgical initiatives gathered together beneath a line from the gospels (Lk 5:4): ‘***Witnesses to Mercy. Put Out into Deep Water (Duc in Altum)***’. This will also be a spiritual stimulus that will accompany our meeting!

***‘Provisional’ Programme of the Meeting***

**Sunday 9 October 2016**: end of the arrivals.

Arrivals and departures, and flights and transfers from and to the airport, should be indicated in good time to Fr. Gaétan KABORE, the Secretary of the Vice-Secretary of the Vice-Province of Burkina Faso; e-mail: [guwendg@yahoo.fr](mailto:guwendg@yahoo.fr); [vpcamillienbf@yahoo.fr](mailto:vpcamillienbf@yahoo.fr)

**Monday 10 October 2016** – first day of a spiritual character with the general assembly and group work afterwards on the subjects: *‘Consecrated Life in the African Context’* (in the morning) and *‘Mercy and the Camillian Charism’* (in the afternoon).

Coordination: Fr. Leocir Pessini

**Tuesday 11 October 2016** – second day: the communication to the assembly by those participating of the expectations and initiatives of their respective Provinces as regards the three priorities of the *Camillian Project*: economics, formation and communication. At this session, there will be the presentation of the accounts of the Order drawn up by the Central Economic Commission starting with the individual accounts of the Provinces, the Vice-Provinces and the Delegations.

Coordination: Fr. Aris Miranda

**Wednesday 12 October 2016** – third day: a discussion of the major Superiors organised into *‘continental blocs’* (Europa, Africa, Asia, the Americas). Subjects: the possibility of inter-Provincial cooperation, starting with the *Camillian Project*; the challenges/future in the continents to which the major Superiors belong; cooperation at the level of ministry and formation; the European Provinces are asked to focus on the prospects for their future existence (fusion, union, amalgamation, elimination, move to being a Delegation of...) and to keep these reflections so as to develop them at their respective Provincial Chapters as well; and the *‘question of the diaspora of religious in different Provinces’*.

Coordination: Fr. Laurent Zoungrana

**Thursday 13 October 2016** – fourth day: presentation of some ministerial initiatives of the General Consulta: the CADIS Foundation (legal recognition, the Board of the Foundation, project plan from

2016 to 2020); international meetings to ministerial areas (chaplains, parish priests, Pastoral and Formation Centers).

**Friday 14 October 2016**: assessments and projections as regards the future, above all with reference to a course of formation for newly appointed Provincial Superiors (including those whose appointments have been ‘confirmed’ if they wish for it), and the next three-year period of 2017-2020, also asking for the cooperation of the expertise offered in Rome by the Union of Superior Generals.

Coordination: Br. José Ignacio Santaolalla

**Free participation to this event.** On **17-18 October 2016** a conference will be held on ‘*Ecology and Health Care in Africa. Gouvernance, écologie et santé publique: problématique biomédicale et enjeux bioéthiques*. It will be coordinated by Fr. Jacques Simporè and is in response to a proposal made by Fr. Leocir Pessini.

## **VARIOUS OBSERVATIONS**

1. **Check vaccinations** (*yellow booklet*) before leaving (*yellow booklet - international certificate of vaccination or prophylaxis*) in particular for the ‘*yellow fever*’. Usually it checked on arrival at Ouagadougou airport.
2. **Entry VISA**: for those who need it, a request for the letter of invitation so as to obtain an entry VISA for the State of Burkina Faso should be sent to Fr. Gaétan KABORE, the Secretary of the Vice-Province of Burkina Faso.  
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E-mail: [vpcamillienbf@yahoo.fr](mailto:vpcamillienbf@yahoo.fr)
3. Send to fr. Gaétan Kabore and/or fr. Paul OUEDRAOGO - Vice-Provincial Superior, the details of their journey: the date, time and number of the flight to facilitate their organization for the reception at the airport, the transfer at the Center of our meeting, and your departure after the meeting.
4. There will be a translation service in three languages, guaranteed by the generous availability of three Confreres: Italian-English-Italian, Italian-Spanish-Italian; Italian-French-Italian.

### **5. Contacts**

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6. **Liturgical celebrations**: priests are advised to bring with them a liturgical surplice and a white stole.