

International Workshop

“The Arab Spring One Year Later“

14th to 16th of September 2012 in Malta

Program

Friday 14th of September

- 18:00 Opening ceremony with the participation of Mgr Lawrence Gatt (Pro Vicar of the Diocese of Malta), Fr George Grima (J&P Malta), Mgr William Kenney (President of J&P Europe)
Addresses by Prof Arnold Cassola (Spokesperson Malta Green Party), Dr George Vela (Spokesperson Malta Labor Party), and Dr Tonio Borg (Minister for Foreign Affairs)
Moderator: Mr Roderick Agius (President of J&P Malta)
- 19:00 Introductory lecture by Prof Godfrey Pirotta: *“The Role of Public Institutions in the Process of Democratization in North Africa”*
- 20:00 Dinner
- 21:15 Short introduction to the workshops, and videoconference with Fr Paolo dall’Oglio about the situation in Syria (at 21:30)

Saturday 15th of September

- 07:30 Mass
- 08:00 Breakfast
- 08:45 Departure for workshops
- 11:45 Meeting with Prime Minister Lawrence Gonzi
- 13:30 Lunch at the seminary
- 15:00 Preparation of the reports
- 17:00 Departure for Valetta
- 18:00 Symbolic moment: planting of tree in Hastings Gardens in Valetta in
”recognition of the sacrifices made by all the persons working for justice, peace and reconciliation around the Mediterranean”. The Mayor of Valetta, Dr Alexie Dingli, will be present
- 19:00 Dinner at the seminary
- 20:30 Address by Dr Emilio Platti OP: *“Islamic Understanding of Society and the Arab Spring”*. He will also give an eyewitness report from Egypt.

Sunday 16th of September

- 08:00 Breakfast
- 09:00 Sharing of the experiences of the workshops. Election of preparatory group for the drafting of the final declaration
- 11:00 Coffee break
- 11:30 "Questions, comments and answers" with the participation of Emilio Platti OP, an expert on international relations, a member of J&P Malta, and Maltese entrepreneurs working in the Arabic countries
- 13:30 Lunch
- 14:30 Departure for "open bus tour" of Malta
- 16:30 Arrival in Valetta. Visit to Upper Baracca Gardens overlooking the Grand Harbor
- 17:00 Address by Fr Joseph Ellul OP in Saint John's Co-Cathedral: "*The Role of Malta in the Encounter of Cultures and Faiths in the Mediterranean Region*"

Conference of European Justice and Peace Commissions

General Assembly

16th to 18th of September 2012 in Rabat (Malta)

Sunday 16th of September

- 18:00 Opening Mass in Saint John's Co-Cathedral in Valetta presided by Archbishop Tommaso Caputo (nuncio)
- 20:00 Dinner
- 21:00 Opening of the General Assembly
Work Session I (Item 1: *Report of the Presidency*)

Monday 17th of September

07:30	Mass
08:00	Breakfast
09:00	Work Session II
11:00	Coffee break
11:30	Work Session III
13:30	Lunch
15:00	Open Space I
16:00	Open Space II
17:00	Coffee break
17:30	Work Session IV
19:30	Departure for dinner out
20:00	Dinner by the sea in Ghar Lapsi

Tuesday 18th of September

08:00	Breakfast
09:00	Work Session V
11:00	Coffee break
11:30	Closing mass
12:00	Lunch
13:00	Departures