

**Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> March**

- 8.00 Departure for Avila
- 16.30 Return to Madrid

Europe, be certain! The Gospel of hope does not disappoint! Throughout the vicissitudes of your history, yesterday and today, it is the light which illumines and directs your way; it is the strenght which sustains your trails; it is the prophecy of a new world; it is the sign of a new beginning; it is the invitation to everyone, believers and non-believers alike, to blaze new trails leading to a Europe of the spirit, in order to make the continent a true "common home" filled with joy of life.

John Paul II, *Ecclesia in Europa*, 121



**WHERE IS EUROPE GOING?**  
**Christians - the Wealth and Hope of the future**

**PROGRAMME****Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> March**

Morning Arrivals

- 16.00 Opening prayer  
H.E. Msgr. Atilano RODRIGUEZ MARTINEZ, *Bishop of Ciudad Rodrigo, Assistant of Spanish CA (ACE)*
- 16.30 Welcome address and presentation of the Meeting and the participants  
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- Welcome address and presentation of the CA of Spain in the context of the country and of the Church  
GENERAL COUNCIL OF CA OF SPAIN
- 17.45 Break
- 18.00 ***The Road to Santiago, today*** (El camino de Santiago)  
H.E. Msgr. Julián BARRIO BARRIO, *Archbishop of Santiago of Compostela, President of the Episcopal Commission for the Lay Apostolate*
- 19.30 Eucharistic Celebration in the Cathedral of La Almudena, presided over by H.Em. Card. Antonio M. ROUCO VARELA, *Archbishop of Madrid*
- 21.00 Dinner

**Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> March**

- 9.00 Breakfast
- 9.30 Morning Prayer: H.S. Msgr. Atilano RODRIGUEZ MARTINEZ  
Introduction to the day: Lourdes AZORIN, *General Secretary of CA of Spain*
- 10.0 ***The socio-cultural reality of Europe***  
Carlos M<sup>a</sup> BRU PURON, *President of the European Movement's Spanish Federal Council*
- 11.30 Break
- 12.00 ***Catholic Action in Europe, challenges and opportunities***  
Paola BIGNARDI
- 13.30 Presentation of the basic text for the final Document  
Luigi ALICI, *President of Italian CA*
- 14.00 Lunch
- 16.00 Panel: ***Christian youths, apostles and builders of the world***  
Representatives of the Youth Movements - coordinator Oana TUDUCE, *CA of Rumania*
- 17.15 Break
- 17.45 Workshops
- 19.15 Europe towards the Third European Ecumenical Assembly  
Maria Grazia TIBALDI and Oana TUDUCE
- 19.30 Eucharistic Celebration presided over by  
H.E. Msgr. FRANCESCO LAMBIASI, *IFCA Ecclesiastical Assistant, General Assistant of Italian Catholic Action*
- 20.30 Dinner
- 21.30 Exchange of experiences  
Presentation of CA associations of IFCA/EU member countries and of the observer countries

**Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> March**

- 9.00 Breakfast
- 9.30 Morning Prayer: H.S. Msgr. Atilano RODRIGUEZ MARTINEZ  
Introduction to the day: Emilio INZAURRAGA, *CA of Argentina*
- 10.00 *Where is Europe going? Christians, the wealth and hope for the future*  
H. E. Mons. ELIAS YANES ALVAREZ, *Achbishop Emeritus of Zaragoza*
- 11.00 Break
- 11.30 Time for reflection, individual or in small groups
- 12.00 Discussion
- 13.00 Eucharistic Celebration presided over by  
H. E. Mons. ELIAS YANES ALVAREZ
- 14.00 Lunch
- 16.00 Work upon the final document - Coordinator: Luigi ALICI  
Discussion and approval
- 17.30 Break
- 18.00 Prospects of action for the CA in Europe and in the world  
• workshops  
• plenary assembly  
Coordination by IFCA Secretariat
- 20.00 Evening prayer: CA school of sanctity
- 21.00 Dinner and evening of friendship