





# PROGRAMMATIC LETTER ITAKA-ESCOLAPIOS NETWORK

The Lord continues to call us to follow Jesus in the style of Calasanz, assuming the gift and responsibility of revitalizing every day the Piarist charism and mission in all places where the Spirit leading us go.

This Piarist charisma is embodied by many religious and laity. The Fraternity, since its recognition as charismatic reality of integration, adds to the Order to enrich the Pious Schools and mission.

To share the charisma, from these two complementary vocations, leads us to walk together in living and celebrating Calasanctian spirituality, to share elements of life in different ways and go hand in Piarist mission.

Itaka - Escolapios is an opportunity to continue in this set path Order and Fraternity.

### Itaka - Escolapios

It is an entity created and sustained by the Order and the Fraternity of the Pious Schools, as a platform for institutional mission shared between both realities and collaborate with anyone who wants to collaborate.

It thus becomes a collective space of charismatic and legal integration

and in a Piarist network that includes the Demarcations and Piarist Fraternities that adhere and agree explicitly on concrete shared aspects.

With all this Itaka - Escolapios collaborates with spirituality, life and mission of the Pious Schools.

#### Itaka – Escolapios

- 1. Collaborate in the strengthening of the Pious Schools and mission, making itself available with the available resources.
- 2. Promotes various invitations to participate in the Pious Schools, especially by the vocation to religious life Piarist and Fraternity.
- 3. Respond to the extent of its ability, to the requirements asked by the Order or the demarcations through their superiors with their congregations.
- 4. Maintains a permanent channel of communication with those responsible for the Order, demarcations and fraternities that participate in the network.
- 5. It is organized with the participation of persons proposed by the Provinces and fraternities involved in demarcational teams and local offices that are convenient.
- 6. Provide the necessary resources for the ordinary functioning of shared projects, based on the approved budgets as agreed, and assists in finding funding to meet new or extraordinary needs.
- 7. Provides information permanently about the progress of Itaka Escolapios and projects to its founding institutions (Order and Fraternity), to those who work on their projects and society in general.







#### The Order and the Demarcations of the Pious Schools involved in Itaka-Escolapios

- 1. Recognize the Itaka Escolapios network as an institutionally shared entity to promote life and Piarist mission, making it known and assuming legitimately take decisions through their bodies functioning, always in communion with the respective Demarcational Congregation.
- 2. They place Itaka-Escolapios in their chart (general, demarcational and local) promoting the implementation of the necessary equipment and coordination with other teams.
- 3. Push for action Itaka Escolapios projects shared in each Demarcation and also awareness network with other places Itaka Escolapios is present.
- 4. Promote the legal recognition of Itaka-Escolapios foundation on location. If this is not possible, create a similar entity linked to Itaka-Escolapios with an agreement.

## The General Fraternity and demarcational Fraternities involved in Itaka - Escolapios.

- 1. They value Itaka Escolapios as a space for shared mission between the Order and the Fraternity, assuming its goals and decisions.
- 2. Understand the projects and life of Itaka Escolapios as their own, being interested in all of them, even if some do not directly affect the Fraternity or each of its members.
- Actively participate with input from their tithes of solidarity, under the guidance of volunteer towards Piarists projects always in line with the particular vocation and with the possible involvement and interest in every circumstance.
- 4. Participate in the various moments and organs functioning of Itaka Escolapios, especially in the nearest headquarters

The General Congregation and the Council of the General Fraternity endorse this Programmatic Charter of Itaka - Escolapios and invite all interested Demarcations and Fraternity to join it.

The accession of every Demarcation and Fraternity also entail an annual agreement with the Executive Committee of the Itaka - Escolapios network, where will be determined the shared projects, officials with their teams, and appropriate objectives and budgets.

And for stating so, this Programmatic Charter is signed by who underwrite in Bilbao, July 23, 2015.

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