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## In Brussels 2012, Movements and Christian communities “Together for Europe”

Economy, Integration, Family some of the themes of the event

*The Roman Headquarters of the Community of Sant'Egidio welcomed the meeting of the Steering Committee of “Together for Europe”, for the latest organizing meeting of the event on the 12th of May in Brussels.*

On the 10th and 11th of January 2012, the Steering Committee of “Together for Europe” met together in Rome for the latest preparatory meeting for the event of 12 May 2012, that foresees the main program to be held in Brussels and numerous initiatives taking place contemporaneously in more than 150 cities in all of Europe.

Among the themes presented at Brussels, those which will be given particular emphasis are economy, integration and the family, which will be presented also through experiences and concrete projects already taking place and with proposals that can be carried out on a larger scale. In the context of the crisis that the continent is now undergoing, the youth and the adults of the Movements and Christian communities of “Together for Europe” would like to make themselves active members in the world of politics, inasmuch as they are the creative minority, operators of peace and of hope, promoters of a dynamism of fraternity.

In Brussels the program will take place at the Gold Hall. It will be the central point of the initiative, with a transmission via internet from 17:00 to 18:00 at which time the various cities that are involved could be linked up.

That of the 12th of May will be the third big international stage of “Together for Europe” after the events of 2004 and 2007 in Stuttgart.

Under the auspices  
of the Secretary General  
of the Council of Europe,  
Mr. Thorbjørn Jagland



**“Together for Europe”** is a conglomeration of relationships among movements and Christian communities. A network which is already present in Europe due to the existence of the very same movements and communities that adhere to the initiative, is composed of people who are Anglicans, Orthodox, Catholics, Evangelicals and members of the Free churches. Their commitment is to revive the Christian soul of the (European) continent. Some of them are at present form part of the **Steering Committee**:

- Aus der Wiesche Sr. Annemarie - Christusbruderschaft Selbitz
- D'Aloisio Christophe Syndesmos - The World Fellowship of Orthodox Youth
- Folonari Eli - Movimento dei focolari
- Moran Michelle - Sion Community / ICCRS
- Pross Gerhard - "Treffen von Verantwortlichen" / CVJM Esslingen
- Riccardi Andrea - Comunità di Sant'Egidio
- Römer Thomas – CVJM München
- Testard Gerard - Fondacio, Chretiens pour le monde
- Walter p. Heinrich - Schönstatt

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