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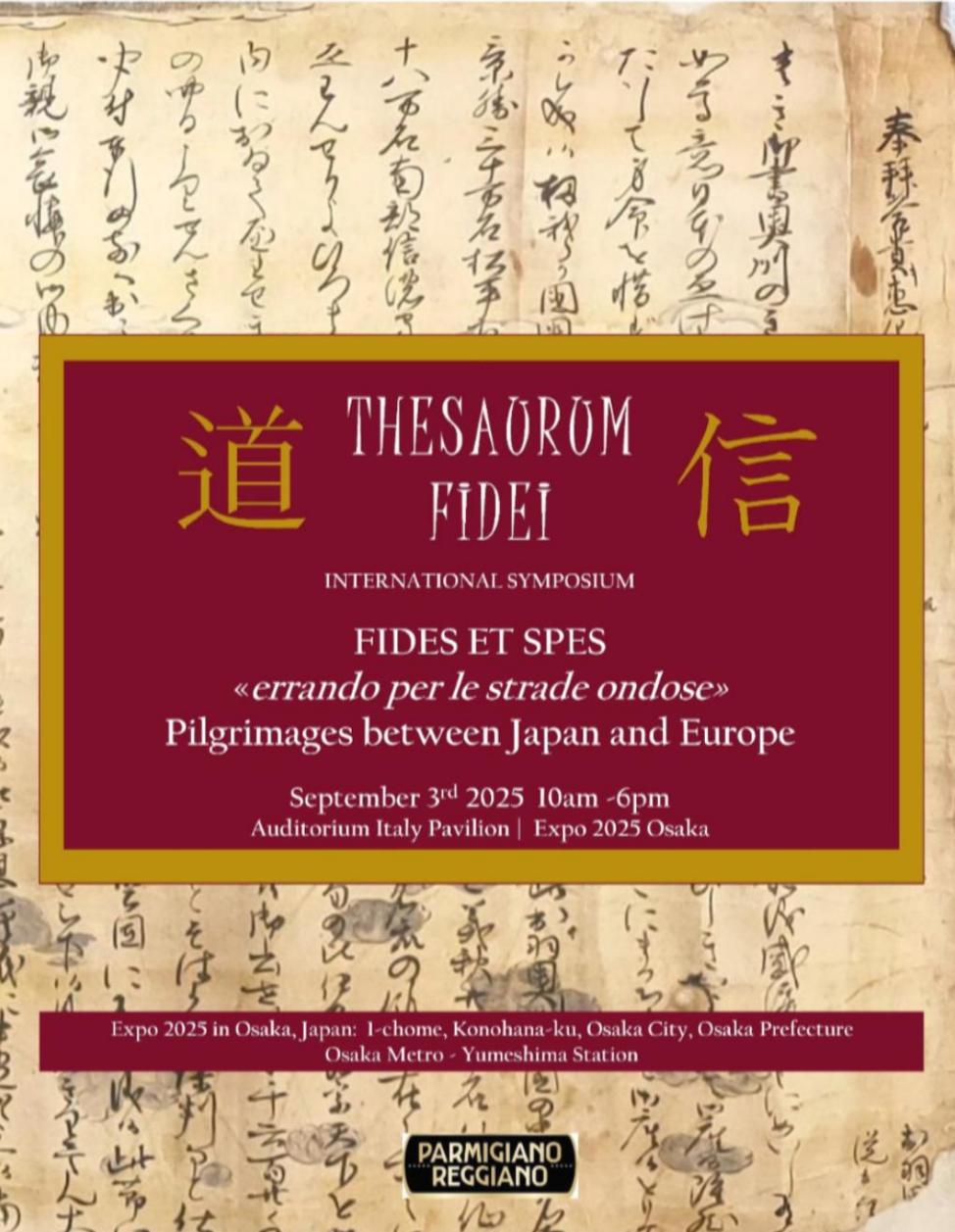
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3 settembre 2025
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September 3rd 2025 10am -6pm
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Expo 2025 in Osaka, Japan: 1-chome, Konohana-ku, Osaka City, Osaka Prefecture
Osaka Metro - Yumeshima Station



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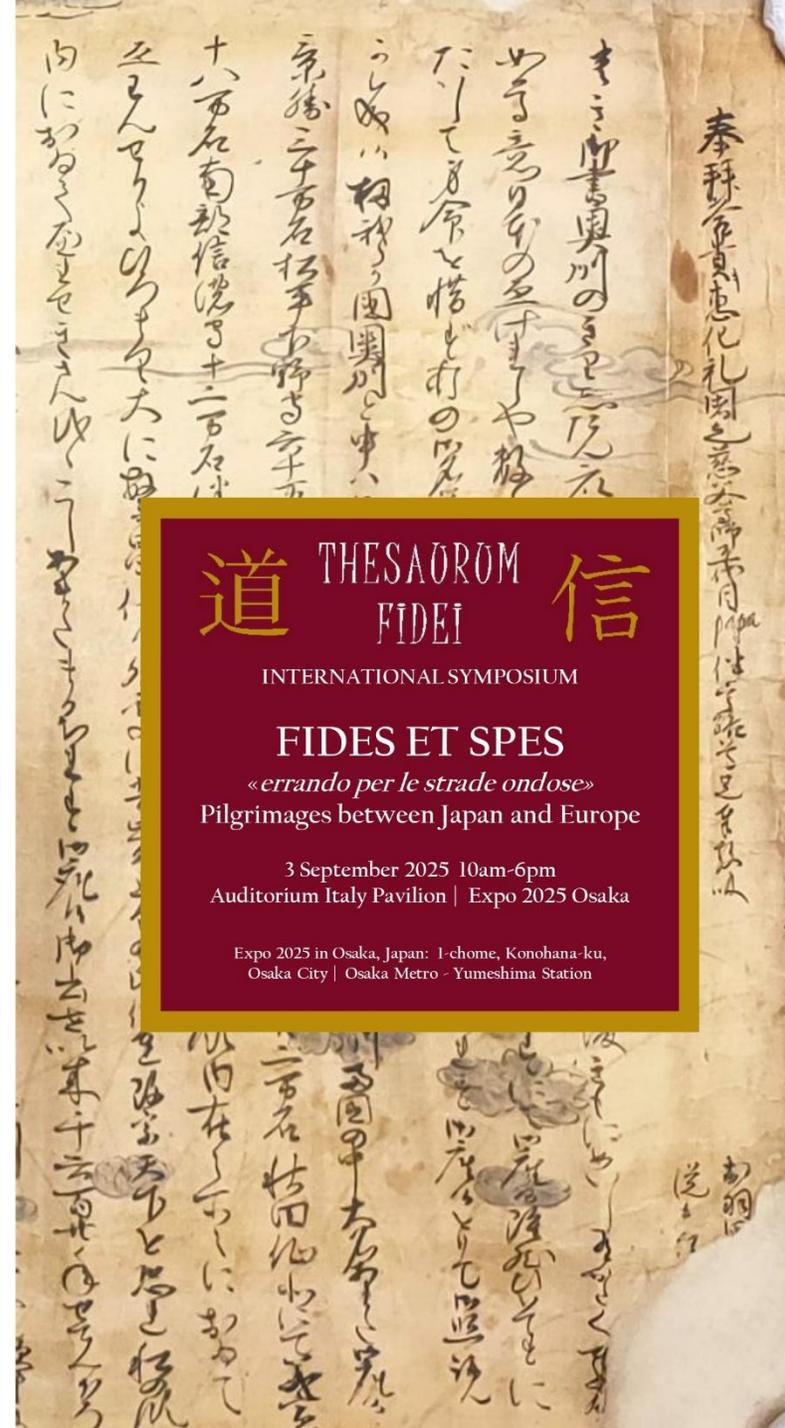
SPEAKERS OF THE INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM FROM: ARGENTINA, CHINA, ITALY, JAPAN, LUXEMBOURG, PORTUGAL, VATICAN CITY STATE, VENEZUELA, UNITED STATES.



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WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2025 10AM -6PM

The international Symposium with the Holy See Pavilion (Expo 2025, Osaka) aims to approach the international community to the topics of the cultural meeting between Japan and Europe from XVI century until today. The activities of the missionaries and “hidden Christians” in Japan continue to be lifeblood for the life of the Church, and thanks to their faith and courage to «*errare per strade ondose*» in every place, they are an irreplaceable and fundamental guide for establishing peaceful dialogues. Faith, Hope, Life, Beauty, Salvation, Courage, constitute the key words on which we are invited to question ourselves by analysing the long pilgrimages of those who, for the good of the world, have faced the unknown and known how to look “beyond”.

INSTITUTIONAL GREETINGS [OPENING H.10.00AM]

H.E. Amb. Mario Andrea VATTANI, Commissioner General for Italy at Expo 2025 Osaka
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SPECIAL GUESTS

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SPEAKERS [MORNING, 10.30AM]

Chairman:

Prof. Olimpia NIGLIO, University of Pavia; Archdiocese of Lucca

10.30AM | INTRODUCTION

Nuno Alexandre Henriques DE LIMA | Portugal
Tamatsukuri Catholic Church, St. Mary's Cathedral di Osaka
Deputy Commissioner Expo Osaka 2025

11.00AM | Evidence of the strong bond between the Vatican and the Japanese Christian Church

Shinzo KAWAMURA S.J. | Japan
Professor at Sophia University, Tokyo
Director of the Sophia University Kirishitan Bunko Library

11.30AM | The history of an encounter: Japanese Christianity

Renzo DE LUCA S.J. | Argentina
Director Twenty-Six Martyrs Museum, Nagasaki

12.00PM | “Re-inventing” Christianity in Early Modern Japan: the Jesuit educational enterprise

M. Antoni J. UCERLER S.J. | United States
Boston College, Director of the Ricci Institute for Chinese-Western Cultural History

12.30PM | Tracing the Jesuit missionary road from the Kyoto-Osaka Region: a historical overview of its origin and expansion

Takayoshi KISAKI | Japan
The University of Tokyo
Susumu AKUNE | Japan
The Oriental Library (Toyo Bunko), Tokyo

1.00pm | Lunch

SPEAKERS [AFTERNOON, 3.00PM]

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3.00PM | Western views of Japan in the Krishitan Era

Mamoru FUJISAKI | Japan
The University of Tokyo

3.30PM | (Re-)Living the Past through images: two martyrdom paintings at Oura Cathedral, Nagasaki, and the Re-evangelization of Japan

Hisashi YAKOU | Japan
Hokkaido University

4.00PM | Religioni in pellegrinaggio:

per un «Dialogo della salvezza» (Es 72)

Maria DE GIORGI, M.M.X., PhD | Italy
Shinmeizan, Center Interreligious dialogue, Nagomi machi, Kumamoto ken, Japan

4.30PM | Science and art in the garden: a crossroads of cultural exchanges between Europe and the East

Marco MAOVAZ | Italy
University of Perugia
Koji KUWAKINO | Japan
University of Osaka
Chen YUTING | China
University of Osaka

5.00PM | Relations between Japan and the Holy See during the pontificate of Gregory XV and Urban VIII (1622-1644) based on the sources from the Historical Archives of Propaganda Fide

Rev. don Flavio BELLUOMINI | Italy/Vatican City
Director, Archive Propaganda Fide

DIGITAL EXHIBITION

5.30PM | Conceptual Map of the Hidden Christians in Japan Making an original correlation diagram related to Japanese Christian in 16-17 century

Kan TAKAHAMA | Japan
Writer, Amakusa, Tsukuba University | Ambassador Pavilion Holy See

CONCERT

6.00PM | Concert promoted by Almo Collegio Borromeo Pavia in collaboration with Fondazione I Solisti di Pavia, and with support of Fondazione Monte di Lombardia

I SOLISTI DI PAVIA, string quartet
Massimo QUARTA, violin
Alessandro MARANGONI, piano

Ernest Chausson: *Concerto for Violin, Piano, and String Quartet in D Major, Op. 21*



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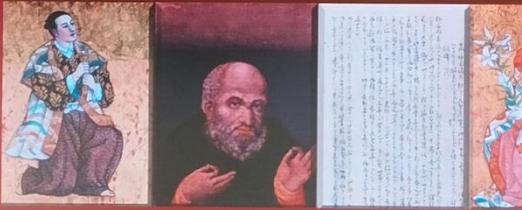
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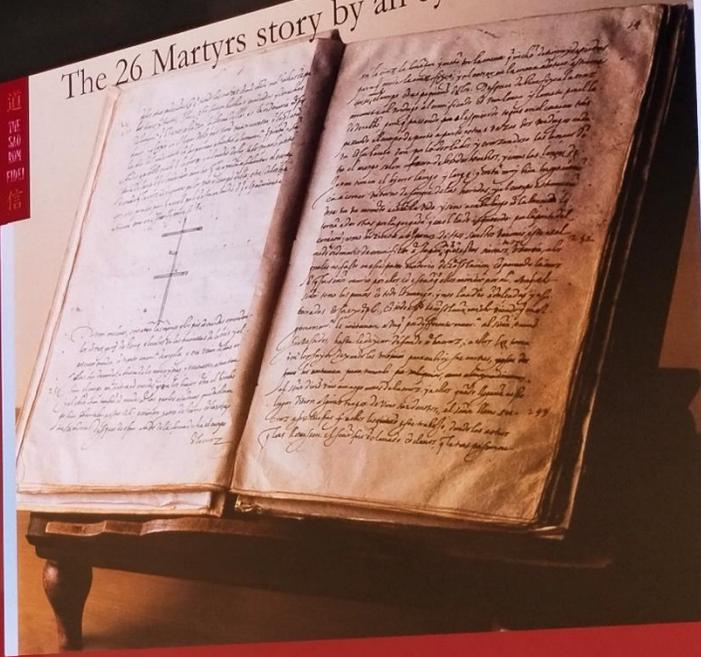


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The 26 Martyrs story by an eyewitness

ルイス・フロイスによる26人の
殉教記録
1597年3月15日
Handwritten
record by Fr. Luis
Frois, sj
Dated
March 15, 1597,
a little more
than a month after
the Martyrdom
in Nagasaki
Jap.Sin.53, f.53v

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Director Twenty-Six Martyrs Museum, Nagasaki



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ゴメスは、日本の状況に即して、自らの神学的かつ倫理的原則を示した。それは、日本においてキリスト教共同体を築くためであり、異邦人がキリスト者となるためにユダヤ人になる必要はないと強く主張した聖パウロの模範に従うものであった。

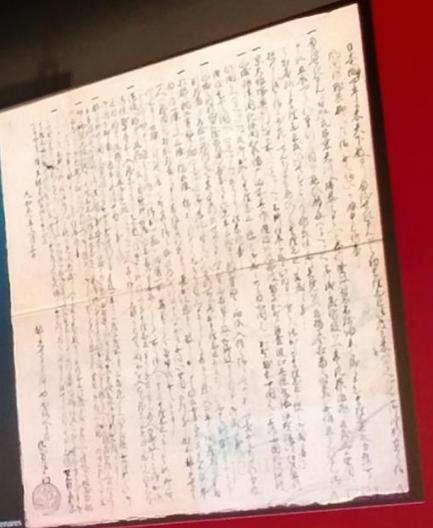
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•Article 2: Jesuit residences in Kyoto, Osaka, Sakai, Ōshū
•Article 3: Missionary journeys to 21 regions (Yamashiro, Settsu, Kii, Izumi, Harima, Bizen, Mimasaka, Sanuki, Awa, Tamba, Echizen, Kaga, Noto, Ōmi, Mino, Owari, Iga, Ise, Suruga, Edo, Ōshū)
•Article 6 & 8: Testimony on Jesuit visits and ministry to the Christians Tsugaru at the northern tip of Honshu; exile site for Christians from Kyoto and Osaka in 1614



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Nagasaki, Oura Church, 1863-1865

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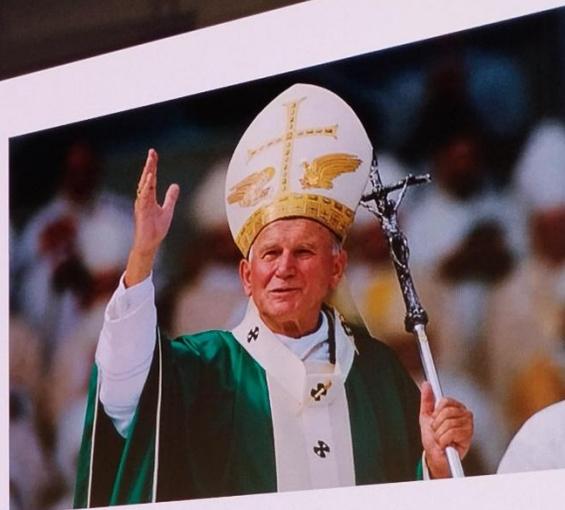
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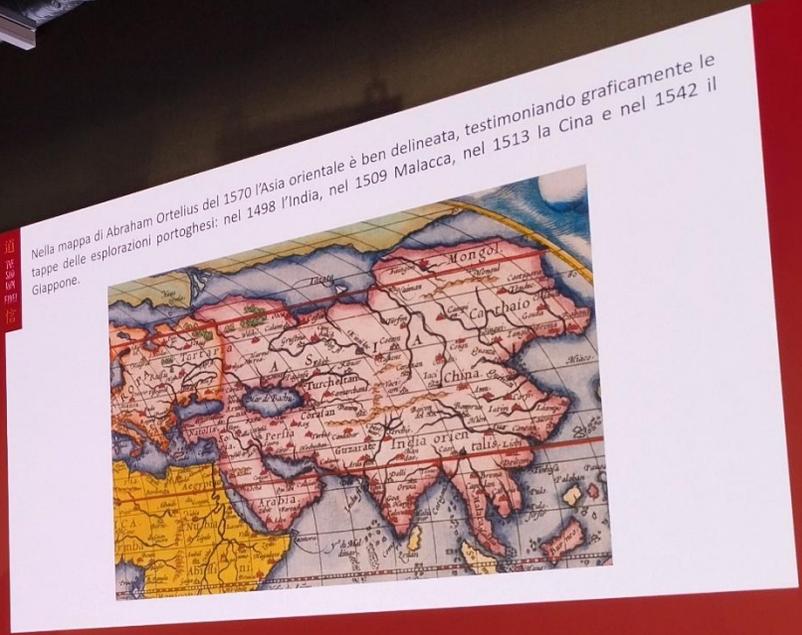
«Il dialogo è una via verso il Regno e darà sicuramente i suoi frutti, anche se tempi e momenti sono riservati al Padre»
(Redemptoris Missio, 57)

「対話は神の国に通じる道であり、たとえその時や時期を知っておられるのが、御父であったとしても必ず実を結ぶことでしょう」
(救い主の使命、57)



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Afternoon Session

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