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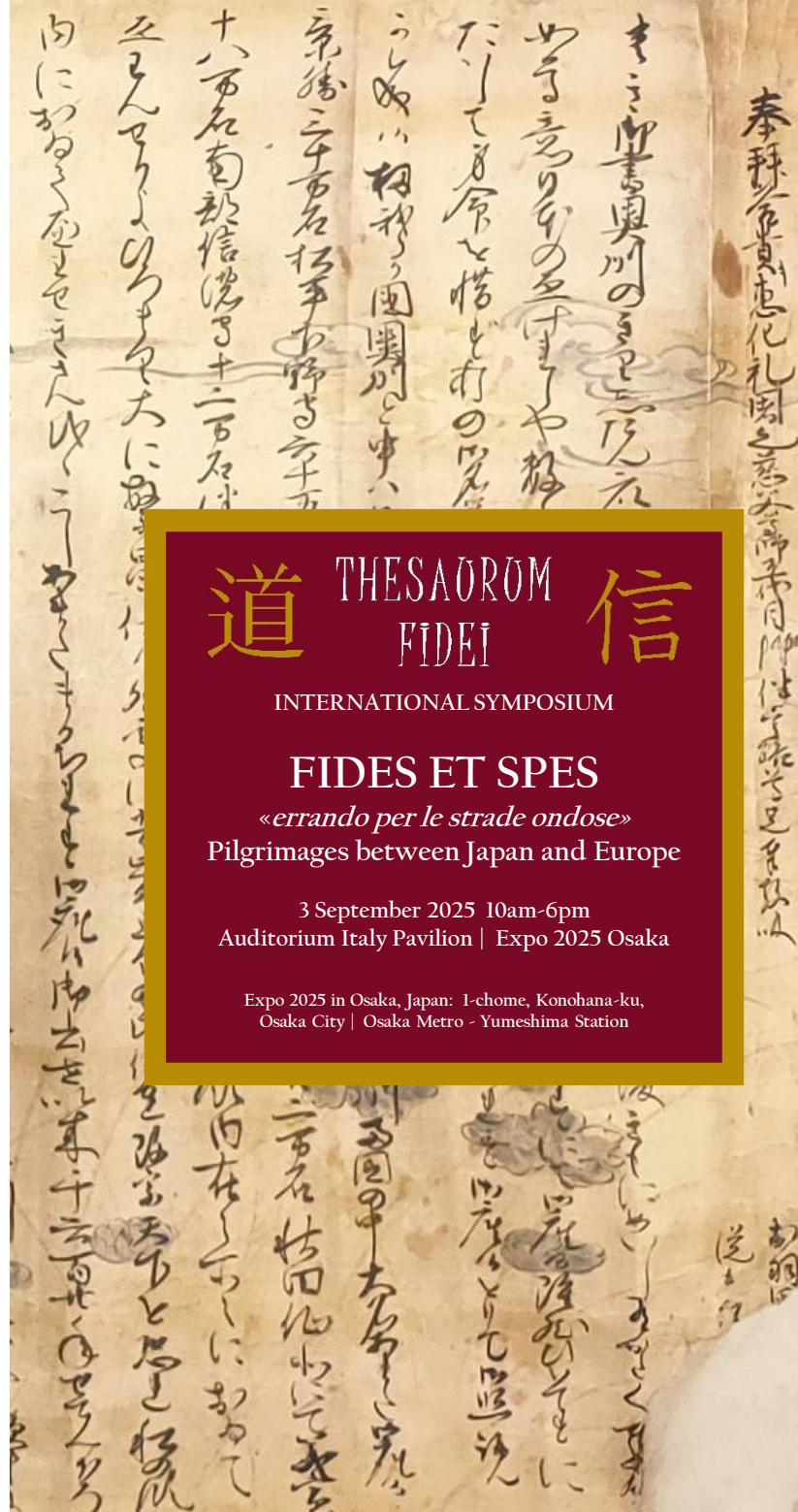
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3 September 2025 10am-6pm

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Osaka City | Osaka Metro - Yumeshima Station

AUDITORIUM ITALY PAVILION | EXPO 2025 OSAKA 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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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 Cathederal, 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 MAOAZ | 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*