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CHAI

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CUAMM

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SOMOS

Somos Community Care (USA)

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16-17 February 2026

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 16th

MORNING

8:00 ▪ Registration

FIRST PLENARY SESSION: THE QUESTIONS

Moderators: A. Ciucci, C. Casalone

9:00 ▪ Welcome address
Renzo PEGORARO
(President, Pontifical Academy for Life)

9:15 ▪ Video-testimonials

- Western Countries (Elderly) - SOMOS
- Africa (Infant mortality) - CUAMM
- India (Essential drugs) - CHAI
- Latin America (The challenge of sustainability) Anibal GIL LOPES

9:40 ▪ Sustainable?

- *Francesca COLOMBO* (France)
- *Sheila TLOU* (Botswana)

10:40 ▪ Coffee break

11:00 ▪ Move to Apostolic Palace

12:00 ▪ Papal Audience

13:00 ▪ Break

AFTERNOON

SECOND PLENARY SESSION: FUNDAMENTAL ETHICAL PRINCIPLES

Moderators: L. Palazzani, P. Bordeyne

14:30 ▪ The Economics of Health for All
Mariana MAZZUCATO (UK)

14:45 ▪ Catholic Social Teaching in Health Care
Emilce CUDA (Argentina)

15:10 ▪ Fundamental rights and justice
Stefano SEMPLICI (Italy)

15:35 ▪ Discussion

16:15 ▪ Coffee break

16:45 ▪ Efficiency, Justice and Care. Philosophical Reflections on Scarcity in Health Care
Yvonne DENIER (Belgium)

17:10 ▪ The Right to Healthcare as a Fundamental Right: When More Can Be Less
Federico DE MONTALVO J. (Spain)

17:35 ▪ Discussion

18:30 ▪ Conclusion

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 17th

MORNING

THIRD PLENARY SESSION: A COMPARISON OF APPROACHES

Moderators: J. Simpure, M. Bofarull

9:00 ▪ Designing High Functioning and Universal Health Care Systems: What the US, China and other countries can teach us
Ezekiel J. EMANUEL (USA)

9:25 ▪ Japanese Perspective
Masahiko TANIGUCHI (Japan)

9:50 ▪ Catholic perspective on the sustainability of Western healthcare Systems and organizations
Emili BARGALLÓ (Spain)

10:15 ▪ Catholic Hospitals in Sub-Saharan Africa: Identity, Humanization of Healthcare Facilities, and Contemporary Challenges
Olga Melanie LOMPO (Burkina Faso)

10:40 ▪ Discussion

11:00 ▪ Coffee break

11:30 ▪ Challenging areas

Moderator: Henk ten Have

- Elderly
 1. (David Jones)
 2. (Young members Group)
- Disability and Mental Health (William Sullivan)
- Migrants (Robert Vitillo)
 - Discussion
- War (Rok Čiviljak)
- Epidemics (John Nkengasong)
 - Discussion

13:30 ▪ Break

AFTERNOON

FOURTH PLENARY SESSION: PERSPECTIVES

Moderators: M.C. Carrozza, N. Simard

14:30 ▪ Emerging Technologies in Healthcare Systems
Gert VAN DER WILT (The Netherlands)

14:55 ▪ Sustainability of Healthcare Systems from Political Perspective
Walter RICCIARDI (Italy)

15:20 ▪ Discussion

15:50 ▪ Coffee Break

16:20 ▪ Prevention and Education
Gifty IMMANUEL (India)

16:45 ▪ The role of Communication
Aftab ALA (UK)

17:10 ▪ Discussion

18:00 ▪ Concluding remarks

18:15 ▪ “Guardian of Life” Award