



The Academy's New Board of Directors



On 11 July 2017, Pope Francis appointed, for a five-year term, the members of the Board of Directors of the Pontifical Academy of Life.

Following are the members of the PAV Board of Directors:

Professor Etsuko Akiba, Professor of Law at the Faculty of Economics at the University of Toyama (Japan); Dr. Mónica López Barahona, General Director of the Biosciences Studies Center, President of the Spanish Delegation of the Foundation Jérôme Lejeune, and Director of the Jérôme Lejeune Chair of Bioethics in Madrid (Spain); H.E. Msgr. Alberto Germán Bochaty, Auxiliary Bishop of La Plata (Argentina), Professor of Bioethics and Vice-Chancellor of the Catholic University of La Plata; Prof. Adriano Pessina, Professor of Moral Philosophy and Director of the Center for Bioethics at the Catholic University of the Sacred Heart in Milan (Italy); Msgr. Carlos Simón Vázquez, Delegate for the Family and Life Section of the Dicastery for the Laity, Family and Life. They will be joined by Msgr. Pierangelo Sequeri, Head of the Institute for the Study of Marriage and Family, in accordance with the Academy's Statute (Article 3 (3a)).

The Council, which meets at least twice a year under the leadership of the President and Chancellor of the Academy to discuss and examine

the ordinary and extraordinary activities of the Academy (Article 3 (3b)), is responsible for the general tasks of the institution (Article 3 (3b)) and the appointment of the corresponding members and young researchers (Article 3§3d and Article 5§4).