

## Press release

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"Raising Hope for Climate Justice" - International Conference on the 10th Anniversary of Laudato

Si' - Castel Gandolfo, Italy

From October 1–3, 2025, Castel Gandolfo (Italy) will host the international conference "Raising Hope for Climate Justice", a historic gathering to mark the tenth anniversary of the Laudato Si' encyclical and to foster a global response to the climate and ecological crisis from the perspectives of faith, politics, and civil society.

The event will feature **His Holiness Pope Leo XIV**, alongside prominent leaders such as Brazil's Environment Minister Marina Silva and former California Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger, along with bishops, international agency officials, indigenous leaders, climate and biodiversity experts, and civil society representatives.

Over three days, the conference will include keynotes, panel discussions, spiritual moments, and cultural events that highlight both the progress made since Laudato Si' and the urgent steps needed ahead of COP30 in Brazil.

In a time marked by global challenges and deep wounds, our commitment for unity and peace cannot exclude" a pursuit of climate justice that places human dignity and care for creation at its core." This is the declaration of Margaret Karram, the President of the Focolare Movement, who is one of the event's partners. She continues, "As Focolare Movement, we want to collaborate with everyone, in protecting and safeguarding our common home, and with a new responsibility we want to live closeness to the poor and solidarity among the generations for a sustainable future."

The event will be held in person at Castel Gandolfo and streamed live, enabling thousands of people and media outlets worldwide to follow the main messages and join the global conversation.

## Press accreditation

Journalists wishing to cover the event, either in person or online, may request press credentials by completing the form available here.

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