

#BeHuman: 30 Nobel Peace Prize laureates to attend human fraternity meeting

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The second World Meeting on Human Fraternity, #BeHuman, was presented on Tuesday at the Holy See Press Office. The meeting, which took place on May 10-11, involved 12 thematic roundtables in which experts from around the world will engage in fraternal dialogue on the most pressing issues of our contemporary world. Women, men, and organizations awarded the Nobel Peace Prize, as well as human rights activists, also participated.

Subsequently, participants at this roundtable were received in audience by Pope Francis on Saturday, May 11, and then by the President of the Italian Republic, Sergio Mattarella, at the Quirinal Palace. Pope Francis participated in the roundtable on "Children: Future Generation," which took place in the New Synod Hall on Saturday afternoon. This meeting was preparatory to the first World Children's Day on May 25-26. The other topics of the panels were cooperation, sustainability and business, agriculture, education, sports, health, employment, administration, social media, and information.

The panels were open to the public and viewable via streaming on the Fratelli Tutti Foundation website with prior reservation. The two-day meeting concluded with an event in the portico of St. Peter's Basilica featuring artists Giovanni Allevi, Roberto Vecchioni, and American country singer Garth Brooks.

Cardinal Mauro Gambetti, Archpriest of the Papal Basilica of St. Peter in the Vatican and one of the organisers of the meeting commented: "We must bring intelligence back to discussing the human person in a world that is dissolving and marked by financial capitalism, by a technology that has become an end rather than a means, and by greed." There is a need, he reiterated, for a reflection that encompasses all situations in an integral way and to "recognise ourselves as brothers and sisters in order to walk together."

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