The 2009 Session: "New solidarities, a new society"

Institutional solidarity continues to expand.

Nevertheless, social exclusion is on the increase.

In response to this problem, we see the development of new forms of solidarity, such as schemes for social integration and inter-generational housing, fair-trade, media coverage supporting the homeless...

Themes to be explored during the session.

- Awareness of new forms of social exclusion
- ☐ How much exclusion depends on how society sees itself
- Listening and working together with those who know that society increasingly keeps them at a distance
- Remembering the revolutionary Christian message that poverty and need are motivating forces for brotherhood.

In these explorations, we will focus on those forms of solidarity which are not just responses to particular problems but which herald a new plan for our society.

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- education on contemporary social themes
- reflection based on the social teaching of the Church
- debates and proposals resulting in practical solutions for strengthening social cohesion

An annual session hosting

- More than 3,000 participants for three days
- Conferences, round tables, debates, workshops
- Experts, politicians, philosophers, leaders from organizations, economists, sociologists, theologians...

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Friday, November 20th

New forms of solidarities, why do we need them?

■ Introduction

By **Jérôme Vignon**, *President of the Semaines Sociales de France*

■ Prologue

With local politicians and representatives of civil and religious society

■ Old and new solidarities

By **Julien Damon,** sociologist, Centre d'analyse stratégique

Institutional solidarity has developed, poverty has decreased; however social inequality and exclusion have increased. What are new solidarities for?

■ Geography of solidarity

By **Pierre Calame**, director of the Fondation Charles Léopold Mayer pour le Progrès de l'Homme

On the world level as well as within nations, social divisions are deepening; a geography of inequalities is answered by a geography of solidarities.

■ Historical overview of Solidarity

By **Pierre Rosanvallon**, professor at the Collège de France.

Throughout history, exclusions and corresponding responses have evolved, depending on how society sees itself. What does this show us about the meaning of solidarity?

■ Where is your brother?

By Etienne Grieu sj, theologian

Is Christian solidarity only inspired by charity?

Can the biblical tradition of the Covenant help us to change our perspective? What can Christ's teaching on brotherhood show us?

■ Theatre workshop

By the **NAJE Company**

Situations of exclusion will be presented by professional actors, amateurs, and people in situations of precarity. The spectators will then be invited to participate.

Saturday, November 21st

New solidarities, how do we achieve them?

■ Review of the previous day's contributions

By **Bernard Lecomte**, writer and journalist

■ Facing the generation gap

By Marie-Claude Petit, founder of Familles rurales, Robert Rochefort, ex-director of Credoc, and François Soulage, president of Secours Catholique How are families, schools and business enterprises coping with the generation gap which seems to be widening in relation to the younger generations?

■ Work as a stimulus to solidarity?

By Pascale Coton, deputy general secretary of the CFTC, and Geoffroy Roux de Bézieux, business leader and president of Unédic - Debate chaired by Jean-Claude Escaffit, journalist at La Vie

While work is a major factor in integration, it produces more and more inequalities and exclusions. What alternatives are there to this situation?

■ A new challenge: to think and to act together

By **Paul Bouchet**, honorary president of ATD Quart-Monde, **Denys Cordonnier**, organizer and consultant, and a spokesperson for people in poverty.

People in poverty want to be fully involved, alongside other citizens, in conceiving and experiencing a shared societal project.

Saturday afternoon session: 6 workshops

To share best practice of new forms of solidarities; with the active participation of many movements and organizations.

- Urban and rural areas
- New concepts for the Family
- 3 Breaking down the barriers in the health sector
- Solidarity in the Economy
- h Housing, a right and a benefit to share
 - Migrants

Workshops 2, 4, 5 and 6 will start from the experience of persons in precarious situations.

Sunday, November 22nd

New solidarities, activators of a new society?

■ Report on the previous day's workshops

■ Is Europe still a Utopia?

By **Sylvie Goulard**, *Eurodeputy* (Mouvement Européen France) *and* **Vincent Peillon**, *Eurodeputy* (Parti socialiste) - Debate chaired by **François Ernenwein**, *editor in chief at La Croix*

Is it possible to maintain and to foster this region of peace and exchange? Is the original social model produced by Europe still a reality?

■ Solidarity in the economy, a creative model?

By **Muhammad Yunus**, founder of the first microcredit institution, Nobel Peace Prize 2006 (to be confirmed)

The initiatives for economic solidarity — microcredit, Enterprises practising social reinsertion, green economy—tend to be dispersed. Can they nonetheless offer a model

■ New people for a new world

By Inès Minin, ex-president of JOC, and Jean-Baptiste de Foucauld, founder and president of Solidarités nouvelles face au chômage

Nothing will change unless we personally incorporate solidarity as a directing principle of our inner life, our thought, our relationships and our action.

Conclusions

for social development?

By **Jérôme Vignon**, president of Semaines Sociales de France

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