



COOPERATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE INTERNATIONAL CONFEDERATION OF THE SOCIETY OF SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL AND FRATERNITY WITHOUT BORDERS

Eager to contribute to building a global alliance and eager to establish links between the national organisations of our two networks in the form of tangible joint projects,

Affirming our shared vision of measures likely to improve the lives of millions of people in need, those seeking aid or isolated populations around the world,

Recognising common principles based on our Christian heritage and the values of altruism and human dignity,

The International Council General of the SSVP and Fraternity without Borders together sign this cooperation agreement:

- Society of St. Vincent de Paul - Mr. **Renato Lima de Oliveira**, international president, domiciled at 65 Rue de la Glacière, Paris (France).
- Fraternity without Borders - Mr **Wagner Moura Gomes**, international president, domiciled at Rua Praia de Pituba, 53, Jardim Autonomista, Campo Grande (MS), Brazil.

ARTICLE 1

SHARED EXCHANGE OF INSTITUTIONAL ISSUES OF COMMON INTEREST

The participants decide exchange views and projects on institutional issues of common interest. The aim of these exchanges will be to share their focus and experience in key areas of the mission of charity and human fraternity.

ARTICLE 2

FIELDS AND CATEGORIES OF THE TARGET POPULATION COVERED BY THE COMMON EXPERIENCE

The participants decide to collaborate on different issues in the related countries through, for example:

- Collaborative and special works
- Training / education / coaching
- Communication and fundraising
- Joint projects

- Volunteer work
- Other social issues of common interest

Participants shall focus on the following populations profiles for their joint actions:

- Children
- Women
- Elderly and disabled
- Homeless
- Refugees, migrants and asylum seekers

ARTICLE 3 PARTNERSHIP AND COOPERATION

In line with their own priorities, the participants agree to maintain and encourage bilateral cooperation between organisations active in the same country, within available resources and respecting the autonomy of local organisations in accordance with the principle of subsidiarity.

ARTICLE 4 GOVERNANCE

A governance committee will be responsible for the overall operation of the agreement and will monitor and conduct evaluations of the results locally achieved through this agreement.

Sebastián Gramajo (SSVP General Council) and **Ranieri Lima Días** (Fraternity without Borders) are appointed to manage this agreement.

ARTICLE 5 TERMINATION

The cooperation agreement shall be effective for a period of three years. It comes into effect on the date of signature. It may be terminated by either participant by giving three months' written notice to the other participant.

Signed in Paris on 15 June 2022.

Wagner Moura Gomes
*Fraternity without Borders
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