

FEECA SYMPOSIUM

COMMUNITY AS HOPE

APRIL 19 TO 21, 2027

KAUNAS, LITHUANIA

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CATHOLIC ADULT EDUCATION IN THE FACE OF DEMOCRATIC AND VALUE-BASED CHALLENGES

MONDAY, APRIL 19, 2027

14:00	**FEECA General Assembly**	
17:00	**Start of the Symposium with dinner**	
18:00	**Welcome address** **Introduction: Why hope? Why community? -** Opening reflection on the theme	**Lea Sedlmayr,** FEECA President **Vytautas Kirka,** Director of Kolping Higher Education Institution
20:30	**Evening together**	

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TUESDAY, APRIL 20, 2027

09:00	**I. Hope and Community -** What can Catholic adult education offer in times of crisis?	**Dr. Andreas G. Weiß,** Director of the Catholic Education Centre Salzburg **Prof. Dr. Andreas M. Krafft,** University of St. Gallen
10:30	**Break**	
11:00	**Discussion**	
12:30	**Lunch**	
13:30	**II. Integrating Community Spirituality into Religious Education**: the role of the adult Educator	**Prof. Dr. Aušra Vasiliauskaitė,** Vytautas-Magnus-University Kaunas
14:30	**III. Democracy, Values and Christian Responsability** - dialogue about different national situations	
15:30	**Break**	
16:00	**IV. The future of the Church and Christian Spirituality** - Adult education as a bridge	**Kęstutis Kėvalas,** Archbishop of Kaunas
17:30	**historical city tour and dinner**	

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WEDNESDAY, APRIL 21, 2027

9:00	**V. Leadership and Responsability** - Servant Leadership in Catholic adult education	**Kęstutis Kučikas,** Director of the Kaunas Archdiocese Caritas
10:00	**VI. Democracy, Values and Christian Responsability -** an orthodox perspective	**Rev. Dr. Gintaras Jurgis Sungaila,** Director of the Institute for Orthodox Christian Education and Research, Lithuania
10:45	**Break**	
11:00	**VII. Discussion about different religious perspectives**	
11:30	**Participants' reflections and evaluation of the symposium**	
12:00	**Lunch and Departure**	

THE CONFERENCE LANGUAGE IS ENGLISH,
SUBTITLES ARE AVAILABLE.

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CONFERENCE VENUE

Conference location

Kolping Higher Education Institution
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Overnight accommodation

Moxy Hotel
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REGISTRATION

Please register by December 31, 2026, using the following link:
https://eveeno.com/251602536

Free cancellation is possible until February 12, 2027

PARTICIPATION FEE

For participants from Central and Eastern Europe: 100 Euro*
(including meals, accommodation, *travel expenses*, programme)
**50 Euro without accomodation.*

For participants from Western Europe: 200 Euro
(including meals, accommodation, programme)

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