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OCTOBER 16, 2025 Introductory Seminar IN. 1

INTRODUCTION. WHAT IS EMUNA? WHAT ARE THE PROGRAMMES IN ITALY AND IN EUROPE?

Luiss - Viale Pola, 12, 00198 Roma

Coordinated by Professor Fiorella Kostoris Padoa Schioppa, hosted by Professor Massimo Egidi

9.00 - 10.00	<i>Ice-breaking, team-building</i> IN.1.1 Animation Mr. Emanuele Avallone or Miriam Camerini
10.00 - 10.30	IN.1.2 Welcome and presentation of the centre and of the academic training by the Founder host Prof. Massimo Egidi
10.30 - 11.00	IN.1.3 Welcome, presentation of the programme's objectives and determining of the groups by the Founder President Prof. Fiorella Kostoris Padoa Schioppa
11.00 - 11.15	Break
11.15 - 11.45	IN.1.4 Emouna's programmes and individual and collective projects in others European countries Accounts, Questions
11.45 - 12.30	IN.1.5 Methodology of the collective and individual projects in Emuna Italia Founders and Tutors
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12.30 - 13.30	Emuna Italia Founders and Tutors Lunch offered by Emuna IN.1.6 Religious and secular issues in today's world
12.30 - 13.30 13.30 - 15.30	Emuna Italia Founders and Tutors Lunch offered by Emuna IN.1.6 Religious and secular issues in today's world Accounts, Questions, Workshop IN.1.7 Testimonies of former Emuna students Mariam Ali, Claudio Bernardini, Antoine-Emmanuel De La Sayette, Antoine Guerini, Maria Francesca Pinna, Francesco Sangregorio,





OCTOBER 29, 2025 Introductory Seminar IN. 2

KNOWLEDGE OF RELIGIONS, CULTURES AND INTERRELIGIOUS AND INTERCULTURAL DIALOGUE

Spazio Sassoli, Palazzo Europeo - Piazza Venezia, 6, 00187 Roma

Coordinated by Professor Daniela Scialabba, hosted by Professor Pier Virgilio Dastoli, President of the European Movement in Italy

9.00 - 10.00	IN.2.1 Welcome and presentation of the centre and of the training of the <i>civil servant</i> in the EU by host Prof. Pier Virgilio Dastoli
10.00 - 10.30	IN.2.2 Planning collective projects by the groups Founders, Jury, Tutors
10.30 - 10.45	Break
10.45 - 12.45	IN.2.3 What do we mean when we talk about God? Love and Justice and the interfaith dialogue. Round table Reports, Questions, Workshop
12.45 - 13.45	Lunch offered by Emuna
13.45 - 15.30	IN.2.4 The divine contraction, free will and intercultural dialogue Debate Reports, Questions, Workshop
15.30 - 17.00	IN.2.6 Brief Presentation by each participant of the different religions or non-denominational convictions. Comments and conclusions





NOVEMBER 3, 2025 Seminar III

RELIGIONS, PUBLIC AUTHORITIES, LAW AND ECONOMICS

Module 1: Religions, public authorities, economy and society

Italian Buddhist Soka Gakkai Institute - via Tiburtina, 1321, 00131 Roma

Coordinated and hosted by Doctor Anna Conti

9.00 - 10.00	1.1.1 Welcome and presentation of the centre and of the Ministers of Religion's training by host and Founder Dr Anna Conti
10.00 - 11.00	1.1.2 Proposals and first collective project outlines per group Founders, Jury and Tutors
11.00 - 11.15	Break
11.15 - 13.15	1.1.3 Religions, law and economics Reports, Questions, Workshop
13.15 - 14.15	Lunch offered by the Italian Buddhist Soka Gakkai Institute
14.15 - 16.45	1.1.4 The status of worship and of their Ministers Debate Reports, Questions, Workshop
16.45 - 17.00	Comments and conclusions





NOVEMBER 17, 2025 Seminar IV

TRAINING AND EDUCATION IN DIFFERENT CULTURES

Module 1: Religions, public authorities, economy and society
PISAI - Pontifical Institute of Arabic and Islamic Studies
Viale di Trastevere, 89, 0153 Roma

Coordinated by Imam Yahya Pallavicini, hosted by Professor Wasim Salman, President of PISAI

9.00 - 10.00	1.2.1 Welcome and presentation of the centre and of the scientific and didactic training by host Prof. Wasim Salman and of the Ministers of Religion's training by Founder Imam Yahya Pallavicini
10.00 - 12.00	1.2.2 Education and culture between "liquidity" and "practical choices". Laicity and pluralism in school. Round table Reports, Questions
12.00 - 12.15	Break
12.15 - 13.15	1.2.3 Workshop coordinated by the Tutors
13.15 - 14.15	Lunch offered by COREIS - Italian Islamic Religious Community
14.15 - 15.45	1.2.4 Skills, meritocracy, solidarity in education and training Debate Reports, Questions, Workshop
15.45 - 16.45	1.2.5 Progress report on collective projects with rapporteurs chosen from each group Founders, Jury and Tutors
16.45 - 17.00	Comments and conclusions





DECEMBER 2, 2025 Seminar V

WORK IN DIFFERENT CULTURES

Masterclass for 1 session only
Module 1: Religions, public authorities, economy and society
Luiss - Viale Romania, 32, 00197 Roma

Coordinated and hosted by Professor Fiorella Kostoris Padoa Schioppa

9.00 - 10.00	1.3.1 Further progress reports on the collective projects with the rapporteur chosen from each group, but different from the previous one Founders, Jury, Tutors
10.00 - 12.00	1.3.2 Work, money and profit in religions and in different cultures. Women's work, youth work and NEET. Round table Reports, Questions
12.00 - 12.15	Break
12.15 - 13.15	1.3.3 Workshop coordinated by the Tutors and other Alumni
13.15 - 14.15	Lunch offered by Emuna
14.15 - 16.15	1.3.4 Inequality, marginalization and migration Reports, Questions
16.15 - 16.45	1.3.5 Workshop coordinated by the Tutors and other Alumni
16.45 - 17.00	Comments and conclusions





DECEMBER 15, 2025 Seminar VI

PUBLIC FINANCE, SUSTAINABILITY AND DEBT RELIEF IN DIFFERENT CULTURES

Module 1: Religions, public authorities, economy and society

John Cabot University - Via della Lungara, 233, 00165 Roma

Coordinated by Professor Michael Driessen and Professor Pamela Harris of John Cabot University, hosted by Professor Franco Pavoncello, President of John Cabot University

9.00 - 10.00	1.4.1 Welcome and presentation of the centre and of the scientific-didactic training by host Prof. Franco Pavoncello and coordinators Prof. Michael Driessen and Prof. Pamela Harris
10.00 - 12.00	1.4.2 Public finance between redistribution and growth. European regulations. Sustainability and debt relief. Reports, Questions
12.00 - 12.15	Break
12.15 - 13.15	1.4.3 Workshop coordinated by the Tutors and other Alumni
13.15 - 14.15	Lunch offered by John Cabot University
14.15 - 15.15	1.4.4 San Martino, fight against poverty and voluntary work Reports, Questions
15.15 - 16.00	1.4.5 Workshop coordinated by the Tutors
16.00 - 17.00	1.4.6 Progress report on collective projects. First reflections on individual projects. Comments and conclusions. Founders, Jury and Tutors





JANUARY 12, 2026 Seminar VII

SECTARIANISMS, RELIGIOUS EXTREMISM AND RADICALISATION

Module 1: Religions, public authorities, economy and society

PIB Pontifical Biblical Institute - Piazza della Pilotta, 35, 00187 Roma

Coordinated and hosted by President Jesuit Father Peter Dubovsky and Professor Daniela Scialabba

9.00 - 10.00	1.5.1 Welcome, presentation of the centre and of the Ministers of religion's training as well as the academic training by Founder and host Prof. Peter Dubovsky
10.00 - 11.00	1.5.2 Further discussion on the collective projects Founders, Jury and Tutors
11.00 - 11:15	Break
11.15 - 13:30	1.5.3 Sectarianism, religious extremism, radicalisation and security Debate Reports, Questions, Workshop
13.30 - 14.30	Lunch offered by the Pontifical Biblical Institute
14.30 - 16.00	1.5.4 Anti-Semitism and Islamophobia. Round table Reports, Questions
16.00 - 16.45	1.5.5 Workshop coordinated by the Tutors
16:45 - 17.00	Comments and conclusions





JANUARY 26, 2026 Seminar VIII

VARIOUS APPROACHES TO LIFE AND DEATH

Module 1: Religions, public authorities, economy and society

Tempio Buddista cinese Hua Yi Si - Via dell'Omo, 142, 00155 Roma

Coordinated by Professor Maria Angela Falà, hosted by Abbess of the Temple Ven. Jian Zhang

9.00 - 10.00	1.6.1 Welcome by Founder and host Prof.ssa Maria Angela Falà and presentation of the centre and of the Ministers of religion's training by the Abbess of the Temple Ven. Jian Zhang
10.00 - 12.15	1.6.2 Health and end of life. Social gender violence Debate Reports, Questions, Workshop
12.15 - 13.15	Lunch offered by the Chinese Buddhist Temple Hua Yi Si
13.15 - 15.15	1.6.3 Birth control, abortion, fertility and assisted reproduction, sexuality. Round table Reports, Questions
15.15 - 16.15	1.6.4 Workshop coordinated by the Tutors
16.15 - 16.45	1.6.5 Insights on individual projects
16.45 - 17.00	Comments and conclusions





FEBRUARY 9, 2026 Seminar IX

SCIENCE AND ETHICS IN DIFFERENT CULTURES

Masterclass for 1 session only Module 2: Religions and Culture

Luiss - Viale Romania, 32, 00197 Roma

Coordinated and hosted by Professor Massimo Egidi

9.00 - 11.00	2.1.1 Science, morality, religions and culture (Innatism or Empiricism) Debate Reports, Questions
11.00 - 11.15	Break
11.15 - 12.45	2.1.2 Workshop coordinated by Tutors and other Alumni
12.45 - 13.45	Lunch offered by Emuna
13.45 - 15.45	2.1.3 Artificial intelligence. Round table Reports, Questions, Workshop
15.45 - 16.45	2.1.4 Further progress reports on collective projects with a Rapporteur chosen for each group, but different from the previous ones Founders, Jury and Tutors
16.45 - 17.00	Comments and conclusions





FEBRUARY 24, 2026 Seminar X

SCIENTIFIC TRUTHS, VALUE PREMISES AND TRUTHS OF FAITH

Module 2: Religions and Culture

Waldensian Faculty of Theology - Via Pietro Cossa, 40, 00193 Roma

Coordinated by Pastor Luca Negro, hosted by Pastor Lothar Vogel, Dean of the Waldensian Faculty of Theology.

9.00 - 10.00	2.2.1 Welcome by Founder Pastor Luca Negro and presentation of the centre and of the Ministers of religion's training by host Lothar Vogel, Dean of the Waldensian Faculty of Theology.
10.00 - 10.15	Break
10.15 - 12.15	2.2.2 Biology, psychology, neuroscience. Round table Reports, Questions, Workshop
12.15 - 13.15	2.2.3 Insights on collective and individual projects Founders, Jury and Tutors
13.15 - 14.15	Lunch offered by the Federation of Evangelical Churches in Italy
14.15 - 16.15	2.2.4 Counterfactual assessment of Creationism Debate Reports, Questions
16.15 - 16.45	2.2.5 Workshop coordinated by the Tutors and other Alumni
16.45 - 17.00	Comments and conclusions





MARCH 10, 2026 Seminar XI

THE HUMAN BEING AND THE ENVIRONMENT IN DIFFERENT CULTURES

Module 2: Religions and Culture

Jewish Museum and Temple of the Youth-Panzieri Fatucci Via Catalana, 00186 Roma e Piazza S. Bartolomeo all'Isola, 00186 Roma

Coordinated by Rabbi Joseph Levi, hosted by Rabbi Riccardo Di Segni, Chief Rabbi of the Jewish Community of Rome

9.00 - 10.00	2.3.1 Welcome and presentation of the centre and of the Ministers of religion's training by host Rabbi Riccardo Di Segni and Founder Rabbi Joseph Levi
10.00 - 11.45	2.3.2 Religions, cultures, the human being and the environment Debate Reports, Questions, Workshop
11.45 - 12.00	Break
12.00 - 13.30	2.3.3 The environment, ecological transition and European policy. Round table Reports, Questions
13.30 - 14.30	Lunch offered by the Jewish Museum
14.30 - 15.30	2.3.4 Workshop coordinated by the Tutors
15.30 - 16.45	2.3.5 Debate and questions by the students on their individual and collective projects. Progress report Founders, Jury and Tutors
16.45 - 17.00	Comments and conclusions





MARCH 23, 2026 Seminar XII

ARCHITECTURE, CULTURE AND RELIGION

Module 2: Religions and Culture

Great Mosque of Rome - Viale della Moschea, 85 00197 Roma

Coordinated and hosted by Doctor Abdellah Redouane

14.00 - 14.30	2.4.1 Welcome and presentation of the centre and of the Ministers of religion's training by Founder and host Dr. Abdellah Redouane and by his permanent delegate, Imam Nader Akkad
14.30 - 16.30	2.4.2 Architecture, history of art and places of worship. Round table Reports, Questions
16.30 - 17.30	2.4.3 Workshop coordinated by the Tutors
17.30 - 18.30	2.4.4 Practice of interreligious and intercultural dialogue Debate between the Founders
18.30 - 19.30	Dinner offered by the Great Mosque of Rome
19.30 - 20.15	2.4.5 Further discussions and questions of the students on their collective and individual projects Founders, Jury and Tutors
20.15 - 20.30	Comments and conclusions





APRIL 27, 2026 Seminar XIII

ART, CULTURE AND RELIGIONS

Module 2: Religions and Culture

Istituto Tevere Focolare meeting point - Via del Carmine, 3, 00187 Roma

Coordinated by Imam Nader Akkad, hosted by Professor Mustapha Cenap Aydin, President of Istituto Tevere

9.00 - 10.00	2.5.1 Welcome and presentation of the Focolarini centre and of the Islamic training by host Prof. Mustapha Cenap Aydin
10.00 - 10.15	Break
10.15 - 12.30	2.5.2 Aesthetics and ethics. Images and idolatry Debate Reports, Questions
12.30 - 13.30	2.5.3 Workshop coordinated by the Tutors
13.30 - 14.30	Lunch offered by the Istituto Tevere
14.30 - 16.00	2.5.4 Visual arts, freedom of expression and religious spirit. The case of music Reports, Questions
16.00 - 16.45	2.5.5 Workshop coordinated by the Tutors
16.45 - 17.00	Comments and conclusions





MAY 11, 2026 Seminar XIV

VARIOUS INTERPRETATIONS OF SACRED TEXTS

Modulo 2: Religioni e Culture

Chiesa di San Teodoro al Palatino - via di San Teodoro, 7, 00187 Roma

Coordinated by President Jesuit Father Peter Dubovsky, hosted by Archimandrite Symeon Katsinas

9.00 - 10.00	2.6.1 Welcome and presentation of the centre and of the Ministers of religion's training by Founder and host Archimandrite Symeon Katsinas
10.00 - 10.15	Break
10.15 - 11.30	2.6.2 The digitalized translation, the philological interpretation and the symbolic interpretation of sacred texts. Reports, Questions, Workshop
11.30 - 13.30	2.6.3 The term "foreigner" in various sacred texts Debate Reports, Questions
13.30 - 14.30	Lunch offered by Emuna
14.30 - 15.30	2.6.4 Workshop coordinated by the Tutors
15.30 - 16.45	2.6.5 Unity and interfaith diversity in the interpretation of the same sacred texts and in prayer Reports, Questions, Workshop
16.45 - 17.00	Comments and conclusions





MAY 25, 2026 Seminar XV

EMPATHY, LISTENING, MANAGING EMOTIONS IN COMMUNITY ORGANISATION

Modulo 3: Acquired skills from who is trained for dialogue by EMUNA

Centro Studi Clotilde e Maurizio Pontecorvo - Corso Trieste, 185, 00198 Roma

Coordinated by Professor Fiorella Kostoris Padoa Schioppa, former President of Beth Hillel – Jewish progressive-reformed Community of Rome, hosted by Doctors Chiara and Laura Pontecorvo

9.00 - 9.15	3.1.1 Welcome and presentation of the centre and of the cultural training offered in it by hosts Dr Chiara and Laura Pontecorvo
9.15 - 11:15	3.1.2 Empathy and listening in interfaith unity and diversity: Traditional-orthodox Hebraism vs Progressive-reformed Hebraism Debate (with translation) Reports, Questions, Workshop
11.15 - 11.30	Break
11.30 - 13.30	3.1.3 Empathy and listening in managing emotions and in community organization. Round table Reports, Questions, Workshop
13.30 - 14.30	Lunch offered by Beth Hillel
14.30 - 16.45	3.1.4 Role-playing games in the presence of all the Founders Mr. Emanuele Avallone or Miriam Camerini
16.45 - 17.00	Comments and conclusions





JUNE 3, 2026 Seminar XVI

NEGOTIATION AND MEDIATION, THE PLACE OF RELIGIONS IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS. PEACE IN VARIOUS CULTURES. PROFESSIONAL EHTICS

Module 3: Acquired skills from who is trained for dialogue by EMUNA Comunità di Sant'Egidio - Piazza Sant'Egidio, 00153 Roma

Coordinated by Imam Yahya Pallavicini, hosted by Professor Marco Impagliazzo, President of the Sant'Egidio Community

9.00 - 9.30	3.2.1 Welcome and presentation of the centre and of the role of the Sant'Egidio Community in negotiation and mediation by host Prof. Marco Impagliazzo
9.30 - 11.00	3.2.2 The place of religions and cultures in international relations Prof. Andrea Riccardi, Founder of the Sant'Egidio Community Reports, Questions, Workshop
11.00 - 11.15	Break
11.15 - 12.45	3.2.3 Relations between the Holy See and China; relations between the Holy See and the Muslim world Reports, Questions, Workshop
12.45 - 13.45	Lunch offered by the Sant'Egidio Community
13.45 - 15.15	3.2.4 Relations between Judaism and the State of Israel; relations between Orthodox Christianity and the Eastern European states Reports, Questions
15.15 - 15.45	3.2.5 Religions, other cultures and democracy
15.45 - 16.15	3.2.6 Workshop coordinated by the Tutors
16.15 - 17.00	3.2.7 Submission of the final texts of the collective projects by each group. Appointing of the rapporteur for each group by the Founders, Jury and Tutors Comments and conclusions





JUNE 11, 2026 Final party EMUNA

PRESENTATION OF THE INDIVIDUAL AND COLLECTIVE PROJECTS, AWARDING OF ATTENDANCE CERTIFICATES, APPOINTING OF TUTORS, MULTICULTURAL FINAL CONCERT

Luiss - Viale Romania, 32, 00197 Roma

Coordinated and hosted by Professor Valentina Meliciani

9.00 - 11.00	3.3.1 Presentation of the collective projects by the groups in presence of all the Founders, the Jury and a restricted number of guests, not more than 6 per group
11.00 - 11.15	Break
11.15 - 13.15	3.3.2 Presentation of the collective projects by the groups in presence of all the Founders, the Jury and a restricted number of guests, not more than 6 per group
13.15 - 14.45	Lunch offered by Emuna
14.45 - 15.15	3.3.3 Submission of individual projects by the students and awarding of attendance certificates to those students who participated in the Seminar Days as well as in the collective group projects by President of Emuna Italia Prof. Fiorella Kostoris Padoa Schioppa and by President of the Luiss Jury Prof. Valentina Meliciani
15.15 - 16.00	3.3.4 Conclusions, summary of the academic year, appointing of the Tutors for the 2026/2027 academic year by the President of Emuna Italia Prof. Fiorella Kostoris Padoa Schioppa
16.00 - 17.00	Concert by people of different faiths and culture, by students and Alumni of Emuna