



## Procedures for joining the Centesimus Annus Pro Pontifice Foundation

<http://www.centesimusannus.org/en/how-to-join/>

The invitation to join the *Centesimus Annus - Pro Pontifice* Foundation is mainly addressed to entrepreneurs, managers and professionals who identify themselves with the principles expressed in the Church's Social Doctrine and the Papal Magisterium from which these principles stem and who wish to contribute actively to the creation of a new economic and social culture in keeping with the guidelines of the Encyclicals "Centesimus Annus", "Caritas in Veritate" "Laudato Si'" and "All Brothers".

Currently there are four categories of members of the *Centesimus Annus - Pro Pontifice* Foundation:

- a) Founders
- b) Members
- c) Supporters
- d) Benefactors

The Founding Members are the physical or legal persons who in 1993 took part in the establishment of the Foundation contributing to the initial endowment. Revenue from this is given annually to the Holy Father, together with any management surplus, as a contribution to the Holy See's charitable works.

Any physical and / or juridical persons who identify with the principles of the Foundation and wish to collaborate actively in pursuit of its objectives, can be members, supporters or benefactors. The difference between these three categories depends on the amount of the annual contribution that each one undertakes to donate annually:

- Members: Minimum annual contribution = € 400.00
- Supporters: Minimum annual contribution = € 1,000.00
- Benefactors: Minimum annual contribution = € 2,500.00

The Board recently decided to *create a CAPP Young International Network (YIN)* and reduce the annual fee for those under 36 years of age.

- Young members: Minimum annual contribution = € 100 (1<sup>st</sup> year)  
€ 150 (2<sup>nd</sup> year)  
€ 200 (3<sup>rd</sup> year until completion of the 35<sup>th</sup> year of age)

The "application form" should be duly filled out in all its sections and sent by post and/or by email to the Foundation's headquarters in the Vatican (Cortile S. Damaso, 00120 Vatican City - [centannus@foundation.va](mailto:centannus@foundation.va))

The following must be attached:

1. a detailed *curriculum vitae*
2. a letter from a religious who has personal knowledge of the candidate and certifies his/her commitment to supporting the Church and the principles of social doctrine

The request must be signed by the applicant and countersigned by a member of the Foundation, as sponsor of the applicant, also by the priest who issued the certificate referred to in paragraph 2 above concerning the attachments.

The application, subject to verification by the Ecclesiastical Authority, will then be submitted for the approval of the Foundation's Board of Directors during the first quarterly meeting.

The estimated contribution for the chosen category must be paid on receipt of notification that the application for membership has been accepted.

It is also desirable that new members should have already attended, or undertake to attend as soon as possible, a formation course in the Church's Social Doctrine. To this end, the Foundation organizes *ad hoc* courses every year and has contacts with institutions that organize similar courses in the Church's Social Doctrine in other countries.