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Jesuit Alumni
Congress XI

United in Spirit, Leading with Purpose

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Sanata Dharma University
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Mark your Calendars

The XI World Union of Jesuit Alumni (WUJA) Congress will be held from **Wednesday, July 29th to Sunday, August 2nd, 2026**, in **Yogyakarta, Indonesia**, the cultural and educational hub of the world's largest archipelago, at the prestigious Sanata Dharma University.

Bringing together **leaders of Jesuit alumni organizations, executives of Jesuit educational institutions, key Jesuit leaders in education**, as well as **Jesuit alumni**, networks, and friends at this transformative event will strengthen connections and shape a purposeful community.

“United in Spirit, Leading with Purpose”

The WUJA Council and Organizing Committee is designing this Congress to be a deliberative event, a purpose-driven movement (action, impact & programs), a **journey to manifest Jesuit alumni's identity** and an **alignment to the commitment of the Jesuit Schools** to lifelong learnings.



Congress Highlight

The 11th WUJA Congress seeks to foster the structures and relationships necessary to synergize a united, bottom-up, purpose-driven alumni organization and community—one that not only holds significance for alumni as community but also actively contributes to the Jesuit mission and society as lifelong learners.



Opening Mass Ganjuran: A Sacred Blend of Javanese Tradition & Catholic Faith

Join us for an open-air concelebrated Mass at this unique Javanese-style church, bonding harmony of culture and spirituality. Built in 1924, Ganjuran blends Catholic worship with Javanese-Hindu architecture.



Immersion Program Borobudur: A Journey Through Faith and Heritage

Experience the spiritual grandeur of Borobudur, the world's largest Buddhist temple, through its ancient corridors, reflecting on history, harmony, the timeless values of humanity across cultures and faiths.



70 Years of WUJA & Closing Gala Dinner at Prambanan: A Majestic Legacy of Faith and Art

Celebrate seven decades of global Jesuit Alumni unity with a magical evening at the majestic Prambanan Temple. A Night of culture, connection, and gratitude.



Conversations Exploring Ideas, Sharing Visions, Building Purposeful Connections

Engage in meaningful dialogue through plenary sessions, panel discussions, parallel talks, and collaborative work groups, shaping the future together.

Yogyakarta

The 11th World Union of Jesuit Alumni (WUJA) Congress will take place in Yogyakarta — a city where culture, spirituality, and education converge. Known as the cultural heart of Indonesia, Yogyakarta offers a rich setting for global Jesuit alumni to gather in the spirit of reflection, service, and leadership.



Fr Pedro Arrupe SJ arrives in Indonesia. Fr Arrupe established the Indonesian Jesuit Province on 8 September 1971.

Central to this choice are Yogyakarta's deep historical and spiritual ties to the Jesuit mission, dating back to the pioneering work of Fr. Frans van Lith, S.J. in the early 20th century. As a key figure in the development of Catholic education in Java, Fr. Van Lith laid the foundation for a faith deeply engaged with local culture and committed to social transformation. His vision lives on today through institutions like Sanata Dharma University, a flagship Jesuit university in Southeast Asia that serves as a living expression of Ignatian pedagogy through its dedication to holistic education, personal formation, and social responsibility.

By choosing Yogyakarta as its host, WUJA emphasizes the importance of lifelong learning, global solidarity, and forming leaders who are compassionate, reflective, and driven by purpose.

More than a celebration of WUJA's 70-year legacy, the Congress in Yogyakarta is a reaffirmation of our shared mission — to be a global Jesuit alumni community rooted in Ignatian values and united in shaping a more just, humane, and hopeful future.



In May 1922 three Jesuit brothers arrived in Java. Brother Cornelius Groot returned from leave and was assigned to a new assignment in Ambarawa, while two other brothers, Petrus van der Voort and Jacobus van Zon, were assigned to Yogyakarta.



Balance in Everything is The Essence of Our Well-Being

Therefore....

While we are thoroughly preparing a series of intense and meaningful workgroups and conversations leading up to and during the Congress, we are also arranging various casual events. These events aim to foster deeper connections, networking, and understanding among participants.

The casual events will take place after the Congress sessions, providing an opportunity for participants to experience the unique evening atmosphere of Yogyakarta.

After the Congress concludes, you are welcome to extend your stay and visit the island of the gods, Bali (bit.ly/wuja2bali).

See you soon!



Congress Fee

CATEGORY	EARLY BIRD*	REGULAR
General Participants	USD 250	USD 400
Board Member of the Organization	USD 200**	USD 350**
Young Alumni/Cadre (<35yo)	free***	free***

Terms and Conditions apply:

* Early Bird Registration applies until December 31st, 2025.

** Serving as board member of a Jesuit educational institution or mission, or a Jesuit alumni association or federation

*** Limited to the first 150 young Alumni/Cadre under 35 years old, endorsed by their almamater/alumni organization/federation (Include Accommodation)

Remarks:

- Congress fee covers full access to all official sessions and scheduled Congress programs.
- Congress fee does not include transportation and accommodation to the venue.

Don't miss this opportunity to **celebrate 70 years of WUJA** — a powerful global movement of Jesuit alumni united in service, leadership, and Ignatian spirit. Join us at **WUJA Congress 2026 in Yogyakarta**, where inspiration meets purpose and tradition drives the future.



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