

# Interfaith Organizations in Italy/Vatican City

As of May 20, 2016

(compiled by Murray Watson for Scarboro Interfaith)

NB: Many of these organizations (especially smaller, local organizations) may have limited ability to communicate in any language other than Italian. Most, if not all, of their publications (both in print and online) will be in Italian.

Pontifical Council for Inter-religious Dialogue (Vatican) (responsible for all world religions EXCEPT Judaism; see the following entry)

Via della Conciliazione, 5

00120 Vatican City

Web site: <http://www.pcinterreligious.org>

E-mail: [dialogo@interrel.va](mailto:dialogo@interrel.va)

Commission for Religious Relations with the Jews

c/o Pontifical Council for Promoting Christian Unity

Via della Conciliazione, 5

00120 Vatican City

Web site: [http://www.vatican.va/roman\\_curia/pontifical\\_councils/chrstuni/sub-index/index\\_relations-jews.htm](http://www.vatican.va/roman_curia/pontifical_councils/chrstuni/sub-index/index_relations-jews.htm)

E-mail: Unavailable

Italian Catholic Bishops' Commission for Ecumenism and Dialogue

Web site (for all commissions of the Italian bishops):

[http://www.chiesacattolica.it/cc\\_i\\_new\\_v3/s2magazine/moduli/datidadbcomune/pagina.jsp?idpag=8019&link=/cc\\_i\\_new\\_v3/s2magazine/moduli/datidadbcomune/organi\\_statutari/commiss\\_episc.jsp](http://www.chiesacattolica.it/cc_i_new_v3/s2magazine/moduli/datidadbcomune/pagina.jsp?idpag=8019&link=/cc_i_new_v3/s2magazine/moduli/datidadbcomune/organi_statutari/commiss_episc.jsp)

E-mail: [ecu@chiesacattolica.it](mailto:ecu@chiesacattolica.it)

(All major Italian cities/dioceses should also have their own commission for ecumenical and interreligious dialogue)

[http://www.chiesacattolica.it/chiesa\\_cattolica\\_italiana/regioni\\_diocesi\\_e\\_parrocchie/00007907\\_Diocesi\\_e\\_Parrocchie.html](http://www.chiesacattolica.it/chiesa_cattolica_italiana/regioni_diocesi_e_parrocchie/00007907_Diocesi_e_Parrocchie.html)

Diocese of Rome: Diocesan/Regional Commission for Ecumenism and Dialogue

Web site: [http://www.vicariatusurbis.org/?page\\_id=188&ID=1016](http://www.vicariatusurbis.org/?page_id=188&ID=1016)

E-mail: [s.mariaintrastevere@libero.it](mailto:s.mariaintrastevere@libero.it)

Italian Military Ordinariate [national Catholic military diocese] : Office for Ecumenism and Interreligious Dialogue

Web site:

[http://www.ordinariatomilitare.chiesacattolica.it/arcidiocesi\\_ordinariato\\_militare\\_per\\_l\\_italia\\_/c\\_uria\\_arcivescovile/00022886\\_Ecumenismo\\_e\\_Dialogo\\_Interreligioso.html](http://www.ordinariatomilitare.chiesacattolica.it/arcidiocesi_ordinariato_militare_per_l_italia_/c_uria_arcivescovile/00022886_Ecumenismo_e_Dialogo_Interreligioso.html)

E-mail: [segreteria.vescovo@ordinariato.it](mailto:segreteria.vescovo@ordinariato.it)

Community of Sant'Egidio (based in Italy, active around the world in interreligious dialogue and peace-making; they organize a major annual "Peoples and Religions" gathering somewhere in the world)

Web site: <http://www.santegidio.org>

List of national contacts for Sant'Egidio:

<http://www.santegidio.org/pageID/166/langID/en/Contacting-us.html>

General e-mail: [info@santegidio.org](mailto:info@santegidio.org)

Sisters of Sion (Congregational Leadership, Rome)

Web site: [www.notredamedesion.org](http://www.notredamedesion.org)

E-mail: [secretariat@notredamedesion.prg](mailto:secretariat@notredamedesion.prg)

Missionaries of Africa (White Fathers), Encounter & Dialogue Office (Rome)

Web site: [http://www.africamission-mafr.org/encounter\\_dialoguegb.htm](http://www.africamission-mafr.org/encounter_dialoguegb.htm)

E-mail: [jplic.ed@mafrome.org](mailto:jplic.ed@mafrome.org)

Union of Jewish Communities of Italy

Web site: <http://ucei.it/>

E-mail: [info@ucei.it](mailto:info@ucei.it)

(List of Italian Jewish communities, with their Web sites and e-mail addresses :

<http://ucei.it/comunita/> )

Jewish Community of Rome

Web site: <http://www.romaebraica.it/>

E-mail: [info@romaebraica.it](mailto:info@romaebraica.it)

Jewish Community of Florence

Web site: <http://moked.it/firenzebraica>

E-mail: [info@firenzebraica.it](mailto:info@firenzebraica.it)

"Morasha": News portal for Italian Jewish communities

Web site: <http://www.morasha.it/>

E-mail: Unavailable (perhaps [info@morasha.it](mailto:info@morasha.it) ?)

Union of Muslim Communities of Italy (UCOII)

Web site: <http://www.ucoii.org/en/>

E-mail: [info@ucoii.org](mailto:info@ucoii.org)

UCOII's Interreligious Dialogue Council : <http://www.ucoii.org/category/dialogo-interreligioso/dialogo-interreligioso-nazionale/>

Islamic Cultural Centre of Italy / Central Mosque of Rome

Web site: Unavailable

Facebook page: <https://it-it.facebook.com/centroislamicoculturale>

E-mail: [segreteria.66centroislamico@hotmail.it](mailto:segreteria.66centroislamico@hotmail.it)

COREIS (Islamic Religious Community of Italy)

Web site: <http://www.coreis.it/13/>

E-mail: [coreis@coreis.it](mailto:coreis@coreis.it)

(for e-mail contacts with other regional Islamic communities :

<http://www.coreis.it/13/contatti.php> )

(Their specific page on interreligious dialogue initiatives:

<http://www.coreis.it/13/dialogo.php> )

The Sufi Community in Italy:

Web site: <http://www.sufi.it/>

E-mail: Unavailable

The Averroes Cultural Centre (for moderate and liberal Muslims in Italy)(

Web site: <http://www.centroaverroee.it/>

E-mail: [info@centroaverroee.it](mailto:info@centroaverroee.it)

Dar al-Hikma (Italian-Arabic cultural centre and restaurant)

Web site : <http://www.daralhikma.it/>

E-mail: [info@daralhikma.it](mailto:info@daralhikma.it)

“Confronti” (“Face-to-Face”), a monthly magazine about religious and cultural difference

Web site: <http://www.confronti.net/>

E-mail: [direttore@confronti.net](mailto:direttore@confronti.net)

Universo L'Altro (“The Universe of the Other”), an association/Web site dedicated to understanding religious and cultural difference

Web site: <http://www.universolaltro.net>

Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/uva.universolaltro>

E-mail: [universolaltro@gmail.com](mailto:universolaltro@gmail.com)

“Pax Christi” (Italy)

Web site: <http://www.paxchristi.it/>

E-mail: [segreteria@paxchristi.it](mailto:segreteria@paxchristi.it)

CIPAX (Centro interconfessionale per la pace ; Interdenominational Centre for Peace, Rome)

Web site : <http://www.cipax-roma.it/>

E-mail : [cipax.roma@gmail.com](mailto:cipax.roma@gmail.com)

CESNUR : Centre for Studies on New Religions (based in Turin)

Web site: [www.cesnur.com](http://www.cesnur.com)

E-mail: [cesnur\\_to@virgilio.it](mailto:cesnur_to@virgilio.it)

Accademia ISA (Interreligious Studies Academy)

Web site: <http://www.accademiaisa.it/>

E-mail: [info@accademiaisa.it](mailto:info@accademiaisa.it)

The Konrad Adenauer Foundation (Italy) – focused on promoting a more integrated European society, and promoting social and cultural cohesion and growth

Web site: <http://www.kas.de/italien/it/>

E-mail: [Info.Italien@kas.de](mailto:Info.Italien@kas.de)

“Il Dialogo” (Dialogue): online newspaper about interreligious and cultural dialogue

Web site: <http://www.ildialogo.org/index.htm>

E-mail: [direttore@ildialogo.org](mailto:direttore@ildialogo.org)

Unimondo (“One World”)

Web site: <http://www.unimondo.org/>

E-mail: [redazione@unimondo.org](mailto:redazione@unimondo.org)

Italian Anti-Racial Discrimination National Office

Web site: <http://www.unar.it/unar/portal/?lang=it>

E-mail: [unar@unar.it](mailto:unar@unar.it)

Comitato immigrati in Italia (Italian Committee for Immigrants)

Web site: <http://comitatoimmigrati.com/>

Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/ComitatoImmigrati/>

E-mail: [info@comitatoimmigrati.net](mailto:info@comitatoimmigrati.net)

Roma-Intercultura (Intercultural Rome) (a portal for information on studies about immigration and migrant populations)

Web site: <http://www.roma-intercultura.it/>

E-mail: [news@roma-intercultura.it](mailto:news@roma-intercultura.it)

Astalli Centre (Jesuit centre for refugees and immigrants, Rome)

Web site : <http://centroastalli.it/>

E-mail: [astalli@jrs.net](mailto:astalli@jrs.net)

Union of Italian Buddhists

Web site : <http://www.buddhismo.it/>

E-mail: [unionebuddhistaitaliana@gmail.com](mailto:unionebuddhistaitaliana@gmail.com)

Soko Gakkai Buddhist Institute, Italy

Web site: <http://www.sgi-italia.org/index.php>

E-mail: [buddismo-e-societa@sgi-italia.org](mailto:buddismo-e-societa@sgi-italia.org)

Union of Italian Hindus

Web site: <http://www.hinduism.it/>

E-mail: [segreteria@induismo.it](mailto:segreteria@induismo.it)

(Their page specifically on interreligious dialogue :

<http://www.hinduism.it/events/categories/dialogo-interreligioso/> )

Bahá'í Community in Italy  
Web site : [www.bahai.it](http://www.bahai.it)  
E-mail: [segreteria@bahai.it](mailto:segreteria@bahai.it)

“Shalom” magazine (monthly magazine of Jewish news and information)  
Web site: <http://www.shalom.it/J/>  
E-mail: [redazione@shalom.it](mailto:redazione@shalom.it)

Multi-Ethnic Rome (operated by the network of Roman libraries)  
Web site : [www.romamultiethnica.it](http://www.romamultiethnica.it)  
E-mail: [info@romamultiethnica.it](mailto:info@romamultiethnica.it)

City-Wide “Interreligious Round Table”  
Web site: <http://tavolointerreligioso.org/>  
Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/tavolointerreligiosoroma/>  
E-mail: Unavailable

Istituto Tevere [Tiber Institute – Centre for Dialogue]  
Web site: <https://istitutotevere.wordpress.com/>  
Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/istevere/>  
E-mail: [info@istevere.org](mailto:info@istevere.org)

Waldensian Evangelical Church (Waldensian and Methodist Churches, very involved in interreligious and ecumenical dialogue)  
Web site: <http://www.chiesavaldeese.org/>  
(For interreligious matters: <http://www.chiesavaldeese.org/aria cms.php?section=24> )  
E-mail: [info@chiesavaldeese.org](mailto:info@chiesavaldeese.org)

Italian Federation of Evangelical Churches – Commission for Interreligious Dialogue  
Web site: <http://www.fedevangelica.it/index.php/it/dialogo-interreligioso>  
E-mail: [ltomassone@chiesavaldeese.org](mailto:ltomassone@chiesavaldeese.org)

Evangelical Lutheran Church in Rome  
Web site: <http://www.chiesaluterana.it>  
E-mail: [decanato@chiesaluterana.it](mailto:decanato@chiesaluterana.it)

Italian Ministry of the Interior; Central Office for Religious Affairs  
“Religions-Dialogue-Integration: A Handbook” (available as a PDF document)  
Web site:  
[www.fedevangelica.it/images/Dialogo\\_interreligioso/2013\\_06\\_18\\_vademecum\\_esecutivo\\_low.pdf](http://www.fedevangelica.it/images/Dialogo_interreligioso/2013_06_18_vademecum_esecutivo_low.pdf)  
E-mail: Unavailable

Ambrosian Centre for Dialogue with Religions (under the auspices of the Catholic Church in Milan)

Web site: [www.cadr.it](http://www.cadr.it)

E-mail: [cadr@cadr.it](mailto:cadr@cadr.it)

Italian Federation of Jewish-Christian Friendship Associations

Web site: <http://www.federaec.it/>

E-mail: [info@federaec.it](mailto:info@federaec.it)

(for a list of all of the regional Jewish-Christian Friendship Associations in Italy, with contact information :

<http://www.federaec.it/contatti/> )

American Jewish Committee's Rome Office

c/o Lisa Palmieri-Billig

Web site: [http://www.ajc.org/site/c.7oJILSPwFfJSG/b.9259345/k.EFBE/Lisa\\_PalmieriBillig.htm](http://www.ajc.org/site/c.7oJILSPwFfJSG/b.9259345/k.EFBE/Lisa_PalmieriBillig.htm)

E-mail: [billigl@ajc.org](mailto:billigl@ajc.org)

Cardinal Bea Centre for Jewish Studies – Pontifical Gregorian University

Web site: [http://www.unigre.it/Struttura\\_didattica/Judaic\\_studies/index.php](http://www.unigre.it/Struttura_didattica/Judaic_studies/index.php)

E-mail: Unavailable

Hare Krishna movement (Italy) (International Society for Krishna Consciousness; I.S.K.Con.)

Web site: <http://www.harekrsna.it/>

E-mail: [iskcon@harekrsna.it](mailto:iskcon@harekrsna.it)

Monastic Interfaith Dialogue (Italy)

Web site: <http://www.dimitalia.com/>

E-mail: [info@dimitalia.com](mailto:info@dimitalia.com)

Monastic Community of Bose (religious order dedicated to ecumenical and interfaith dialogue)

Web site: <http://www.monasterodibose.it/>

E-mail: [segreteria@monasterodibose.it](mailto:segreteria@monasterodibose.it)

Universal Peace Federation (Italy) – Interreligious Council

Web site: <http://italia.upf.org/upf-onu/consiglio-interreligioso>

E-mail: Unavailable

(List of UPF regional branches around Italy:

<http://italia.upf.org/sedi-upf>

Religions for Peace (Italy)

Web site: <http://www.religioniperlapaceitalia.org/>

E-mail: [info@religioniperlapaceitalia.org](mailto:info@religioniperlapaceitalia.org)

Centro Interculturale Torino (Turin Intercultural Centre)

Web site: <http://www.interculturatorino.it/>

E-mail: [centroic@comune.torino.it](mailto:centroic@comune.torino.it)

Associazione Dialoghi (Association for Dialogues)  
Web site : <http://www.associazione-dialoghi.com/>  
E-mail: [dialoghi.malfolle@virgilio.it](mailto:dialoghi.malfolle@virgilio.it)

Yalla Italia (young Italian Muslims for interreligious dialogue) (*uncertain if still functioning or not*)  
Web site: <http://www.yallaitalia.it>  
E-mail: [pillitteri.external@vita.it](mailto:pillitteri.external@vita.it)

Associazione Culturale Italiana per l'Oriente Cristiano (Italian Cultural Association for the Christian Middle East)  
Web site: <http://www.acioc-milano.org/>  
E-mail: [michele@acioc-milano.org](mailto:michele@acioc-milano.org)

« Interdependence: The Roots of Humanity »  
Web site : <http://www.interdependence.eu/>  
E-mail: [redazione@interdependence.eu](mailto:redazione@interdependence.eu)

The Oasis International Foundation (focussing on Christian-Muslim relations)  
Web site: <http://www.oasiscenter.eu/>  
E-mail: [oasis@fondazioneoasis.org](mailto:oasis@fondazioneoasis.org)

The « Chemin Neuf » Community (focussed on ecumenical and interreligious understanding)  
Web site: <http://www.chemin-neuf.it/>  
E-mail: Unavailable

The Focolare Community  
Web site: <http://www.focolare.org/>  
E-mail: Unavailable  
On Focolare's dialogue with the world's great religions: <http://www.focolare.org/in-dialogo/grandi-religioni/>

International "Civilization of Love" Forum of Religions  
Web site: <http://www.forumreligioni.it/>  
E-mail: [forum@forumreligioni.it](mailto:forum@forumreligioni.it)

"Per amore di Jerusalem" (Out of love for Jerusalem) – Jewish-Christian dialogue organization  
Web site: <http://www.peramoredigerusalemme.com/>  
E-mail: [peramoredigerusalemme@gmail.com](mailto:peramoredigerusalemme@gmail.com)

Segreteria Attività Ecumeniche (Secretariat for Ecumenical Activities) – includes Jewish-Christian dialogue in its mandate  
Web site: <http://www.saenotizie.it/>  
E-mail: [saenazionale@gmail.com](mailto:saenazionale@gmail.com)

« Vangelo e Zen : Comunità di dialogo interreligioso » (Gospel and Zen : A community of interreligious dialogue)

Web site : <http://www.vangeloezen.org/>

E-mail : Unavailable

« Scuola della mondialità : Popoli & religioni » (The School for Global Citizens: Peoples and Religions) – under the auspices of the Salesians of Don Bosco (Catholic religious order), dealing with various social issues through the lens of interreligious dialogue

Web site: <http://www.donbosco.it/Objects/pagina.asp?ID=587>

E-mail: [missionicc@donbosco.it](mailto:missionicc@donbosco.it)

CEM (Centro Educazione alla Mondialità) (Centre for Educating Global Citizens; educational online portal for articles about intercultural dialogue and peace-building, run by the Xaverian religious order)

Web site: <http://cem.saverianibrescia.it/main/#>

E-mail: [cemsegreteria@saveriani.bs.it](mailto:cemsegreteria@saveriani.bs.it)

« Svolta » international news service (with a page specifically dedicated to interreligious events and news around the world)

Web site: <http://www.lasvolta.info/notizie-dal-mondo/dialogo-interreligioso.html>

E-mail: [redazione@lasvolta.info](mailto:redazione@lasvolta.info)

Dialog-Milano

Web site : <http://www.dialog-milano.org/>

E-mail : [info@dialog-milano.org](mailto:info@dialog-milano.org)

Milan Forum for Religions

Web site : <http://www.forumreligionimilano.org/>

E-mail: [segreteria@forumreligionimilano.org](mailto:segreteria@forumreligionimilano.org)

EMMA (Euro-Mediterranean Music Academy for Peace)

Web site: <http://www.emmaforpeace.org/>

Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/EMMAforPeace/>

E-mail: Unavailable

GUS (Gruppo umana solidarietà; The Group for Human Solidarity)

Web site: <http://gusitalia.it>

E-mail: [info@gus-italia.org](mailto:info@gus-italia.org)

“Lo Spirito di Assisi” (The Spirit of Assisi) blog

Web site: <http://spiritodiassisi.altervista.org/blog/>

E-mail: Unavailable



The Piero Rossano Study Centre for Dialogue with Religions and Cultures (under the Diocese of Alba, Italy)

Web site: <http://www.piorossano.net/home>

E-mail: [info@piorossano.net](mailto:info@piorossano.net)

The Federico Peirone Centre for Christian-Islamic Dialogue (under the Archdiocese of Turin)

Web site: <http://www.diocesi.torino.it/diocesitorino/s2magazine/index1.jsp?idPagina=24873>

E-mail: [info@centro-peirone.it](mailto:info@centro-peirone.it)

Istituto Confucio (Confucius Institute, La Sapienza University, Rome)

Web site : <http://www.istitutoconfucio.it/index.php>

E-mail: Unavailable

PISAI : Pontifical Institute for Arabic and Islamic Studies (Rome)

Web site: <http://www.pisai.it/home.aspx>

E-mail: [info@pisai.it](mailto:info@pisai.it)

Dimensione Speranza (“Dimension: Hope”; providing current religious information and education online)

Web site: <http://dimensionesperanza.it/>

E-mail: Unavailable

SIR; Servizio Informazione Religiosa (Religious Information Service); news agency

Web site: <http://agensir.it/>

E-mail: [sir@agensir.it](mailto:sir@agensir.it)

StatoeChiese (Stato e Chiese ; the State and the Churches) ; blog on politics and religious pluralism

Web site: <http://www.statoechiese.it>

E-mail: Unavailable

Giornalisti Amici di Padre Paolo Dall’Oglio (Journalist-friends of Father Paolo Dall’Oglio; blog dedicated to Christian-Muslim dialogue)

Web site : <http://www.giornalistiamicipadredalloglio.com>

E-mail: Unavailable

ANOLF: Associazione nazionale oltre le frontiere (National “Beyond Borders” Association; for intercultural and interreligious sensitivity and understanding)

Web site: <http://www.anolf.it/>

E-mail: [anolf@anolf.it](mailto:anolf@anolf.it)

Bertinoro Interreligious Museum

Web site: <http://www.museointerreligioso.it/italiano/>

E-mail: [musint.bertinoro@libero.it](mailto:musint.bertinoro@libero.it)