

# PRESS RELEASE

## CAPE TOWN HOSTS CATHOLIC JOURNALISTS CONFERENCE

**Mombasa May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018:** Catholic journalists from across the continent are expected to congregate in Cape Town, South Africa between 9<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> September, this year for the Union of the Catholic African Press (UCAP) 2018 Conference.

The conference to be held in collaboration with the Southern African Catholic Bishops' Conference will bring together Journalists working for both the church and secular media at **Schoenstatt Retreat and Conference Centre, in Cape Town.**

The theme for the conference is **'Using the Media for Promotion of Integral Human Development in Africa.'**

The theme will be subdivided into four sub themes:

- Journalism for truth and reconciliation in the Church and of service to peoples;
- Promoting Peace, Truth and Reconciliation in Africa in a Digital Age;
- Making the Church more relevant to the Youth in the Church in Africa and
- Promoting the Social teachings of the Church through the Media in Africa.

A number of top journalists and clergy involved in the communication work in their respective Episcopal Conferences, countries and dioceses have expressed interest to attend this auspicious function. The Congress goes to Cape Town at a time Catholics in Southern Africa are celebrating the 200 years of the establishment of the Catholic Church in the region.

In recent years, UCAP Congresses have been held in Bamako-Mali; Mombasa-Kenya; Ouaga Dougou-Burkina Faso, Addis Ababa-Ethiopia and Dar es Salaam Tanzania.

**Delegates will stay at** Schoenstatt Retreat and Conference Centre, Nestling in the rural Constantia Valley of beauty and tranquility.

This is a peaceful environment where individuals are able to rejuvenate their physical, spiritual and emotional wellbeing. A final programme will be shared soon.

### **Signed:**

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