

European Mariapolis 2019

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AIM HIGH

Connecting people, cultures and stories

Against the background of an increasingly fragmented continent of Europe, the Focolare movement is holding its first Europe-wide Mariapolis, *Aim High*, in the summer of 2019.

From 14th July, four week-long holiday events, each tailored to a number of European languages, will take place in the Dolomites, Italy, where the first 'Mariapolis' was held seventy years ago.

A Mariapolis (City of Mary), is a gathering where the citizens of a temporary 'town' try to build a new type of human society based on the relationships in a family - fraternity and mutual respect, as they holiday together. *Aim High* is open to people of all faiths, backgrounds and ethnicities.

"Our dream is to have an event which underlines the beauty of the European continent in all its diversity, where the richness of every culture emerges in the splendid tapestry that is Europe," explains Peter Forst from Focolare. "We believe that through sharing our stories, our cultures and our histories - getting to know each other – we can lay the foundation for a more united Europe."

Participants will be accommodated in Hotels, a religious Institute, houses and self catering apartments in the Fiera di Primiero region. For further information / registration (from 15th December 2018 to 31st January 2019) see: www.europeanmariapolis.org

DATES AND LANGUAGES:

14th July - 21st July IT EN SL CZ FR

21st July - 28th July IT EN DE HR PL NL

28th July - 4th August IT EN RU SK LT PT

4th August - 11th August IT EN DE HU RO ES

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