Invitation to the 2nd CALL Assembly

Empowering People for Participation in Society

Church Action on Labour and Life

11-13 May 2011 in Bucharest

Hosted by the Romanian Patriarchate
Organised by AIDRom

Dear brothers and sisters,

On 11-13 May 2011, The European Christian Economy and Employment Network CALL (Church Action on Labour and Life) will hold its 2nd Assembly in Bucharest. The Assembly will be hosted by the Romanian Patriarchate and will be organised by AIDRom, the Ecumenical Council of Churches in Romania. It will bring together members of Churches and church-related organisations from all over Europe who are interested in economic and social issues.

The theme of the Assembly will be “Empowerment”. Patriarch Daniel of the Romanian Orthodox Church will welcome the Conference and give a reflection on “Empowering people for participation in society”.

Niall Cooper from Church Action on Poverty, who many of you know the 1st CALL Assembly last year in Brussels, will provide a workshop how to empower people to engage on economic and social issues.

The Assembly will include sessions on the working areas of the CALL Network:

- Sustainable Economy
- Precarious Work
- Sunday Protection
- Religion at the Workplace
- Ethical Reflections on economic and social issues

It will define the CALL working priorities for the forthcoming year.

Let the Network grow! Please forward this invitation to other people who might be interested in participating.
Practical Arrangements
You will find a draft Programme, the Registration Form and the new CALL newsletter attached. The working language of the Conference will be English. The main venue for the Conference will be the Hotel Comfort in Bucharest. On the morning of 12 May, the Conference will be hosted in the Palace of the Romanian Patriarchate.

Conference Fee
The conference fee for the meeting will be 190 € (including conference facilities, all meals during the conference).
Additional to the fee are is the cost for accommodation in the Hotel Comfort (per night per person):
- 55€ in single room;
- 32€ in double room.
Participants will be responsible for their own travel arrangements.

You are welcome to transfer the total exact amount prior to the meeting onto our bank account as follows:

Accountholder: Commission Eglise et Société de la KEK
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With the communication “CALL ASSMBL 2011 + (name of participant)”

Funding
For churches and organisations wishing to be represented at the meeting but unable to meet the costs, there is a possibility of applying for a subsidy. The subsidy fund is, however, very limited. The organisers of the consultation will not be able to bear the costs caused by a late cancellation of the registration.

We would appreciate receiving your reply as soon as possible, in any case no later than 29 April 2011.

If you have any questions, please contact the office of the CSC in Brussels (Frank-Dieter Fischbach), Rue Joseph II, 174, BE-1000 Brussels, Tel. +32 2 234 68 39, Fax +32 2 231 14 13, E-mail: call@cec-kek.be. You will receive a confirmation of your participation with additional practical information.

With kind regards,

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Church Action on Labour and Life

Enclosures: Registration Form, draft Conference Programme, CALL Newsletter