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The World Union of Catholic Women's Organizations

listening to Middle Eastern Women

Unprecedented meeting of more than 50 women from Middle Eastern countries such as Iraq, Egypt, Israel, UAE, Palestine, Lebanon and Jordan, the organization John Paul II, the International Forum of Catholic Action and the Board of the World Union Catholic Women's Organizations -organizer-, among others, will meet in Amman, Jordan, from 24 to 27 October.

The meeting is entitled: *Women Believers at the Service of LIFE, DIGNITY and the COMMON GOOD*. The Patriarch of Jerusalem, Fouad Twal, will open the meeting with a presentation on the Apostolical Exhortation *Eclessia in Middle East*.

The program will cover both: contribution of women in Church and society life in the Middle East and its problems and needs for family, youth, education, work, environment, ecumenical and interfaith, justice and peace. (See attached program)

The **World Union of Catholic Women's Organizations** (WUCWO) receives the cooperation of the Latin Patriarchate of Jerusalem and the International Forum of Catholic Action (IFCA).

As WUCWO's President, Maria Giovanna Ruggieri, stated: "We have felt the necessity to meet, listen, share with women from this region who share our same faith and work to build up a better world based on peace, reconciliation, dialogue and justice in a spirit of solidarity."

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