

International LAUNCH of the Casa Comun Initiative

14 May 2021



[To watch the video recordings of parts of the event, please click on the embedded YouTube links provided below].

The event will start at 14.00 hours German time [GMT +2]. The link will be accessible from 13.45.

The event will be simultaneously translated into English, Spanish, German.

Programme:

- 14.00: [Welcome, introduction of the Casa Comun initiative, explanation of the programme, technical information on breakout rooms](#)
- 14.15: Keynote speeches: On the socio-ecological as well as the theological and ecclesiological necessity and urgency of a (more) prophetic ecumenical movement (max. 15 min. each)
- [Prof. Dr. Nancy Cardoso Pereira \(Luanda-Rio de Janeiro\)](#)
 - [Rev. Dr. Chris Ferguson, General Secretary of the World Communion of Reformed Churches \(Hanover-Toronto\)](#)
 - [Dr. Aruna Gnanadason, former Executive Director in the General Secretariat of the World Council of Churches \(Chennai\)](#)
 - [Dr. Marthie Momberg, Researcher at the Beyers Naudé Centre for Public Theology and the Unit for Moral Leadership at Stellenbosch University \(Western Cape/South Africa\)](#)
- 15.15: Panel with the above speakers: What are the key next steps to give the Casa Comun initiative a tailwind on its way to the WCC Assembly in Karlsruhe in 2022?
- 15.45: Work in breakout rooms (divided by language and/or region) on the following questions: Which issues and which regional, continental and international networking are of particular relevance? Which strategies are most likely to influence the WCC Assembly - already in the run-up as well as in Karlsruhe itself? What should be the next concrete steps on the way to Karlsruhe? What is the best way to promote the beginnings of self-organisation on the continents or according to thematic priorities?
- 16.45: Plenary: Presentation of short statements from the breakout rooms
- 16.55: Summary / Outlook
- 17.00: End

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