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WELCOME TO THE TENTH ASSEMBLY!

Welcome to Busan and the 10th Assembly of the World Council of Churches!

The assembly is a unique and ambitious gathering, both in the diversity of participants and churches represented as well as the programme, which explores issues of Christian unity, mission, justice and peace in the world today. The 10th Assembly promises to be an important landmark on the ecumenical journey.

This assembly *Handbook* offers delegates and participants practical information that will help them to find their way through the event. It is a book to carry at all times.

The *Handbook* includes the detailed agenda and schedules of the assembly, including the *madang* programme of workshops. It confirms venues and details for all parts of the assembly, provides a map of the assembly venue and tells you where to go when you have a question or concern. It includes detailed information about the weekend programme, including excursions to Seoul, around Busan and elsewhere in Korea. Don't forget to sign up.

It has been the intention of the WCC central committee to prepare an assembly that is open and inviting to member churches, ecumenical partners and other churches. As a result, the one ecumenical movement gathers in Busan, with the Korean churches, in a spirit of togetherness, guided by an ethos of consensus, seeking to be the church together in the world today so that all may have life, justice and peace.

The success of the assembly depends on each person making a contribution to the community and sharing the gifts and experience they bring. It also depends on the qualities of respect, careful listening and prayerful encounter with which we meet one another on our common journey.

We look forward to your contribution and wish each of you a blessed stay in Busan.

God of life, lead us to justice and peace!

Olav Fykse Tveit
General Secretary

ASSEMBLY FACTS AND FIGURES

Tenth Assembly of the World Council of Churches

Busan, Republic of Korea

30 October to 8 November 2013

“God of life, lead us to justice and peace”

Pre-assembly events on 28 and 29 October

- WCC executive committee meeting
- Pre-assembly for a community of women and men
- Youth pre-assembly for participants under 30 years of age
- Ecumenical Disability Advocates Network (EDAN) pre-assembly
- Indigenous peoples’ pre-assembly
- Various ecumenical partner meetings

Who is at the assembly?

- 345 member churches of the WCC – with 90 percent responding to the Busan invitation.
- 800+ member church delegates, advisors to delegations and outgoing members of the central committee.
- 575+ representatives from ecumenical partners and other churches, observers and guests.
- 1000+ international assembly participants, including hundreds of young people.
- 1000+ Korean host committee members, staff, volunteers and day participants.
- 300+ staff, stewards, co-opted staff and interpreters.

What is everyone doing?

- 7 thematic plenaries – opening, theme, Asia, mission, unity, justice and peace.
- 21 ecumenical conversations – four 90-minute sessions for each conversation.
- 6 assembly committees – message, public issues, programme, policy, finance and nominations.
- 21 Bible study groups – small group and plenary style.
- 80+ workshops – more than 20 each day in the second week.
- 100+ exhibitions and encounter spaces – all in the *Madang* hall.

Spiritual life

- Gathering and sending services
- Morning and evening prayer
- Visits with congregations around Korea
- Sunday worship with local congregations

For detailed information about the programme of the assembly, including the ecumenical conversations and business of the committees, please refer to the accompanying *Programme Book*.

Visit the assembly website for the latest news and updates or to download the assembly application: <http://wcc2013.info/en>.

ASSEMBLY AGENDA

Assembly timetable

World Council of Churches, 10th Assembly, Busan, Republic of Korea "God of life, lead us to justice and peace"

Draft	Wednesday 30 October	Thursday 31 October	Friday 1 November	Saturday 2 November	Sunday 3 November	Monday 4 November	Tuesday 5 November	Wednesday 6 November	Thursday 7 November	Friday 8 November
11/07/13										
08:30 09:00	Registration and Orientation	Prayer	Prayer	Prayer	Ecumenical Pilgrimage for Peace with Korean Churches	Prayer	Prayer	Prayer	Prayer	Prayer
09:15 10:15	Bible Study	Bible Study	Bible Study	Bible Study		Bible Study	Bible Study	Bible Study	Bible Study	Bible Study
10:15	Break	Break	Break	Break		Break	Break	Break	Break	Break
10:45 12:15	Gathering Prayer	Theme Plenary	Asia Plenary	Ecumenical Pilgrimage for Peace with Korean Churches	Ecumenical Pilgrimage for Peace with Korean Churches	Mission Plenary	Unity Plenary	Justice Plenary	Peace Plenary	Closing Plenary or Reports
12:15	Lunch	Lunch (Committees)	Lunch (Committees)			Lunch (Committees)	Lunch (Committees)	Lunch (Committees)	Lunch (Committees)	Lunch
14:15 15:45	Opening Plenary	Business Plenary	Business Plenary			Madang Programme (Workshops)	Madang Programme (Workshops)	Madang Programme (Workshops)	Madang Programme (Workshops)	Sending Prayer
15:45	Break	Break	Break			Break	Break	Break	Break	Break
16:15 17:45	General Secretary and Moderator Reports	Ecumenical Conversations	Ecumenical Conversations	(Committees)	(Committees)	Ecumenical Conversations	Ecumenical Conversations	Committee Reports	Committee Reports	WCC Central Committee
17:45	Break	Break	Break			Break	Break	Break	Break	
18:15 19:45	Business Plenary	Regional Meetings	Confessional Meetings	(Committees)	(Committees)	Elections	Committee Reports	Committee Reports	Confessional Meetings	
20:00 20:30	Prayer	Prayer	Prayer			Prayer	Prayer	Prayer with Korean Churches	Prayer	X
20:30	Dinner	Dinner	Dinner			Dinner	Dinner	Dinner	Dinner	X

Assembly day by day

Wednesday, 30 October

09:00-10:15	Orientation Session	Visit the Madang hall	Business hall
10:15-10:45	Break (coffee & tea)		
10:45-12:15	Gathering Prayer		Worship hall
12:15-14:15	Lunch		Centum City
14:15-15:45	Opening Plenary		Auditorium
15:45-16:15	Break		
16:15-17:45	General Secretary and Moderator Reports		Business hall
17:45-18:15	Break (coffee & tea)		
18:15-19:45	Business Plenary – Roll Call – Matters referred to Policy Reference Committee – Public Issues – Porto Alegre to Busan report – Approval of assembly committees – Approval of assembly leadership		Business hall
20:00-20:30	Evening Prayer		Worship hall
20:30-21:00	Departures	BEXCO bus stop	

Daily Appointments

07:00	15:00
08:00	16:00
09:00	17:00
10:00	18:00
11:00	19:00
12:00	20:00
13:00	21:00
14:00	22:00

Thursday, 31 October

08:30-09:00	Morning Prayer	Visit the Madang hall	Worship hall
09:15-10:15	Bible Study		See p. 86
10:15-10:45	Break (coffee & tea)		
10:45-12:15	Theme Plenary		Auditorium
12:15-14:00	Lunch		Centum City
	Taizé Prayer (12:30 – 13:00)		Worship hall
	Committee Meetings		See pp. 33-46
14:15-15:45	Business Plenary – <i>Nominations</i> – <i>Public Issues</i>		Business hall
15:45-16:15	Break		
16:15-17:45	Ecumenical Conversations		See pp. 33-46
17:45-18:15	Break (coffee & tea)		Worship hall
18:15-19:45	Regional Meetings		See p. 89
20:00-20:30	Evening Prayer		Worship hall
20:30-21:00	Departures	BEXCO bus stop	

Daily Appointments

07:00	15:00
08:00	16:00
09:00	17:00
10:00	18:00
11:00	19:00
12:00	20:00
13:00	21:00
14:00	22:00

Friday, 1 November

08:30-09:00	Morning Prayer	Visit the Madang hall	Worship hall
09:15-10:15	Bible Study		See p. 86
10:15-10:45	Break (coffee & tea)		
10:45-12:15	Asia Plenary		Auditorium
12:15-14:00	Lunch		
	Committee Meetings		See pp. 33-46
14:15-15:45	Business Plenary – <i>Nominations</i> – <i>Public Issues</i> – <i>Unity Statement</i>		Business hall
15:45-16:15	Break		
16:15-17:45	Ecumenical Conversations		See pp. 87-99
17:45-18:15	Break (coffee & tea)		
18:15-19:45	Confessional Meetings		See p. 89
20:00-20:30	Evening Prayer		Worship hall
20:30-21:00	Departures		BEXCO bus stop

Daily Appointments

07:00	15:00
08:00	16:00
09:00	17:00
10:00	18:00
11:00	19:00
12:00	20:00
13:00	21:00
14:00	22:00

Saturday, 2 November (in Busan)

08:30-09:00	Morning prayer	Worship hall
09:00-09:15	Busan: Departures for exposure visits from BEXCO <i>Seoul: Departures from hotels (at 07:30)</i>	BEXCO bus stop See pp. 51-71
09:15-10:15	Committee Meetings	See pp. 33-46
10:15-10:45	Break	
10:45-12:15	Committee Meetings	See pp. 33-46
12:15-14:15	Lunch	
14:15-15:45	Committee Meetings	See pp. 33-46
15:45-16:15	Break	
16:15-17:45	Committee Meetings	See pp. 33-46
17:45-18:15	Break	
18:15-19:45	Committee Meetings	See pp. 33-46
20:00-20:30	Departures	BEXCO bus stop

Daily Appointments

07:00	15:00
08:00	16:00
09:00	17:00
10:00	18:00
11:00	19:00
12:00	20:00
13:00	21:00
14:00	22:00

Sunday, 3 November (in Busan)

09:00-14:00	Worship with Korean Congregations <i>Followed by fellowship, lunch or rest</i>	See p. 53
14:15-16:45	Committee Meetings	See pp. 33-46
17:00-18:30	Korean Cultural Evening	Auditorium
18:30-19:00	Departures	BEXCO bus stop

Daily Appointments

07:00	15:00
08:00	16:00
09:00	17:00
10:00	18:00
11:00	19:00
12:00	20:00
13:00	21:00
14:00	22:00

Monday, 4 November

08:30-09:00	Morning Prayer	Visit the Madang hall	Worship hall
09:15-10:15	Bible Study		See p. 86
10:15-10:45	Break (coffee & tea)		
10:45-12:15	Mission Plenary		Auditorium
12:15-14:00	Lunch		Centum City
	Committee Meetings		See pp. 33-46
14:15-15:45	<i>Madang Workshops</i>		See pp. 91-122
15:45-16:15	Break		
16:15-17:45	Ecumenical Conversations		See pp. 87-88
17:45-18:15	Break (coffee & tea)		
18:15-19:45	Business Plenary <i>– Elections</i>		Business hall
20:00-20:30	Evening Prayer		Worship hall
20:30-21:00	Departures	BEXCO bus stop	

Daily Appointments

07:00	15:00
08:00	16:00
09:00	17:00
10:00	18:00
11:00	19:00
12:00	20:00
13:00	21:00
14:00	22:00

Tuesday, 5 November

08:30-09:00	Morning Prayer	Visit the Madang hall	Worship hall
09:15-10:15	Bible Study		See p. 86
10:15-10:45	Break (coffee & tea)		
10:45-12:15	Unity Plenary		Auditorium
12:15-14:00	Lunch		Centum City
	Committee Meetings		See pp. 33-46
14:15-15:45	Madang Workshops		See pp. 91-122
15:45-16:15	Break		
16:15-17:45	Ecumenical Conversations		See pp. 87-88
17:45-18:15	Break (coffee & tea)		
18:15-19:45	Business Plenary – Committee Reports		Business hall
20:00-20:30	Evening Prayer		Worship hall
20:30-21:00	Departures	BEXCO bus stop	

Daily Appointments

07:00	15:00
08:00	16:00
09:00	17:00
10:00	18:00
11:00	19:00
12:00	20:00
13:00	21:00
14:00	22:00

Wednesday, 6 November

08:30-09:00	Morning Prayer	Visit the Madang hall	Worship hall
09:15-10:15	Bible Study		See p. 86
10:15-10:45	Break (coffee & tea)		
10:45-12:15	Justice Plenary		Auditorium
12:15-14:00	Lunch		Centum City
	Committee Meetings		
14:15-15:45	Madang Workshops		See pp. 91-122
15:45-16:15	Break		
16:15-17:45	Business Plenary – <i>Committee Reports</i>		Business hall
17:45-18:15	Break (coffee & tea)		
18:15-19:45	Business Plenary – <i>Committee Reports</i>		Business hall
20:00-21:00	Prayer with Korean Churches		Worship hall
21:00-21:30	Departures	BEXCO bus stop	

Daily Appointments

07:00	15:00
08:00	16:00
09:00	17:00
10:00	18:00
11:00	19:00
12:00	20:00
13:00	21:00
14:00	22:00

Thursday, 7 November

08:30-09:00	Morning Prayer	Visit the <i>Madang</i> hall	Worship hall
09:15-10:15	Bible Study		See p. 86
10:15-10:45	Break (coffee & tea)		
10:45-12:15	Peace Plenary		Auditorium
12:15-14:00	Lunch		Centum City
	Committee Meetings		See pp. 33-46
14:15-15:45	<i>Madang</i> Workshops		See pp. 91-122
15:45-16:15	Break		
16:15-17:45	Business Plenary – <i>Committee Reports</i>		Business hall
17:45-18:15	Break (coffee & tea)		
18:15-19:45	Confessional Meetings		See p. 89
20:00-20:30	Evening Prayer		Worship hall
20:30-21:00	Departures		BEXCO bus stop

Daily Appointments

07:00	15:00
08:00	16:00
09:00	17:00
10:00	18:00
11:00	19:00
12:00	20:00
13:00	21:00
14:00	22:00

Friday, 8 November

08:30-09:00	Morning Prayer	Visit the Madang hall	Worship hall
09:15-10:15	Business Plenary – <i>Committee Report</i>		Business hall
10:15-10:45	Break (coffee & tea)		
10:45-12:15	Closing Plenary		Business hall
12:15-14:00	Lunch		Centum City
14:15-15:45	Sending Prayer		Worship hall
15:45-16:15	Departures		BEXCO bus stop
16:15-19:45	WCC Central Committee		Business hall

Daily Appointments

07:00	15:00
08:00	16:00
09:00	17:00
10:00	18:00
11:00	19:00
12:00	20:00
13:00	21:00
14:00	22:00

ANNOTATED AGENDAS OF THE ASSEMBLY COMMITTEES

Assembly committees will normally meet throughout the week (see assembly timetable) during lunchtimes in designated committee meeting rooms with lunch provided. A full day of committee work is scheduled for Saturday, 2 November, and Sunday committee work will commence in the afternoon.

Assembly Programme Guidelines Committee

1. Mandate and tasks

The mandate of the Programme Guidelines Committee (PGC) is to propose policies for all further programmatic work of the World Council of Churches (WCC) including:

- a) Review the programmatic work of the WCC, using the report *A Faith That Does Justice: The Journey of the WCC from Porto Alegre to Busan*;
- b) Propose overall policies for future programmatic work and relationship strategies in the areas of churches and ecumenical developments, unity and mission, and public witness and diakonia;
- c) Look at possible priorities for future work in light of the assembly mandate.

The central committee has asked the WCC to develop an integrated and coherent approach to *strengthening relations* with and between member-churches, and more in general in the ecumenical movement, and *developing programmatic work* which is relevant to the member-churches, the ecumenical movement and the world at large. The PGC will reflect in an integrated way on the future directions and priorities in the areas of church and ecumenical developments, unity and mission, and public witness and diakonia, while subcommittees explore the different aspects within these three areas.

2. Detailed annotated agenda

Session 1: Thursday 31 October, lunchtime

- Presentation of the members;
- Introduction to consensus procedures;

- Introduction to the mandate, tasks, working methods and annotated agenda;
- Input from ecumenical conversations: Committee members are assigned to “listen” to ecumenical conversations and plenaries; agreement about reporting.

Session 2: Friday 1 November, lunchtime

- *Review of the work done since the last assembly:*
PGC reviews the documents *A Faith That Does Justice: The Journey of the WCC From Porto Alegre to Busan* and the *Pre-Assembly Evaluation*. Background information for reading the two documents are the reports of the programme committee core group and programme committee of the central committee September 2012, and the report of the programme subcommittee of the executive committee March 2013. The PGC members are expected to have read the documents sent in advance. Two members of the PGC will be asked to introduce briefly the two reports and the reflections of the central committee and executive committee on the two reports.

Expected outcome: *The PGC proposes to receive the two reports, A Faith That Does Justice: The Journey of the WCC From Porto Alegre to Busan and the Pre-Assembly Evaluation, and highlights lessons learned.*

Session 3: Saturday 2 November, morning

- *Review of the reports of the moderator and the general secretary*
Reports will be reviewed in relation to the assembly theme with the aim to have a first orientation on the future directions of the work of the WCC. The following elements will be addressed:
 - ✓ Signs of the times: what are the urgent questions today in the member-churches, the ecumenical movement, world Christianity and the world at large?
 - ✓ How does the WCC as a fellowship of churches play a relevant role in the life and work of its member-churches, the ecumenical movement, world Christianity and the world at large?
 - ✓ Which methodologies and working styles are appropriate to ensure a greater ownership and participation of the churches in the work of the WCC?

Expected outcome: *The PGC formulates, first, tentative ideas about the direction and methodologies for the work of the WCC in the coming years, which guide the reflections in the three subcommittees.*

Session 4: Saturday 2 November, morning

- Work in three subcommittees: 1. church and ecumenical developments; 2. unity and mission; 3. public witness and diakonia
 - ✓ Review of the documents presented to the assembly.

Expected outcome: *The subcommittees formulate proposals to the PGC to receive the reports and highlight lessons learned.*

Session 5: Saturday 2 November, afternoon

- *Work in subcommittees continued*
 - ✓ Reflection on future directions and methodologies in response to the questions raised in session 3 of the PGC.

Session 6: Saturday 2 November, afternoon

- *Work in subcommittees continued*
 - ✓ Continuation of the reflection on future directions and methodologies in response to the questions raised in session 3 of the PGC.
 - ✓ First draft of a report of the subcommittee to the PGC.
 - ✓ Moderator (and other representative(s)) of the PGC to share observations with the Assembly Finance Committee.

Expected outcome: *The subcommittees formulate proposals to the PGC about future directions and methodologies.*

Session 7: Saturday 2 November, evening

- *Sharing of the reports of the subcommittees in the committee*
 - ✓ A first sharing of the reports of the three subcommittees.

Session 8: Sunday 3 November, afternoon

- *Sharing insights from the ecumenical conversations and plenaries*
 - ✓ The PGC compares the first results of their orientation on the future directions and methodologies with the input from the ecumenical conversations and plenaries.

Session 9: Sunday 3 November, evening

- *Developing recommendations for the assembly mandate*
 - ✓ The reflections on work done by the WCC in the previous period, on the reports of the moderator and the general secretary, the reports of the subcommittees, and insights from ecumenical conversations are brought together in a first draft of the assembly mandate for the WCC's future work.

Session 10: Monday 4 November, lunchtime

- *A draft of the first PGC report reviewed*
 - ✓ On the basis of the discussions in the PGC and its subcommittees the rapporteur and moderator, in consultation with the moderators of the subcommittees, have prepared a draft report for review in the PGC.

Session 11: Tuesday 5 November, lunchtime

- *The first PGC report reviewed and approved*
 - ✓ On the basis of the reflections during the previous session the rapporteur and moderator have developed a second draft of the PGC report for review and approval by the PGC.

Expected outcome: *The programme guidelines committee has approved a report to be presented to the assembly, which includes clear directions and methodologies for the WCC's work in the coming period.*

Assembly Policy Reference Committee

1. Mandate and tasks

The Policy Reference Committee (PRC) presents recommendations for assembly action on the reports of the moderator and the general secretary, on membership matters, and reviews amendments to the Constitution and Rules of the World Council of Churches (WCC). A subcommittee of the PRC will also review, amend and bring for final approval through the PRC the statement “God’s Gift and Call to Unity - and our commitment.” The members of the subcommittee will join the PRC when not meeting separately on their specific task.

2. Detailed annotated agenda

Session 1: Thursday 31 October, lunchtime

- Welcome
- Introduction to consensus procedures
- Presentation of members and leadership
- Overview of responsibilities
- Role of the Unity Statement Subcommittee
- Presentation of background documents

Session 2: Friday 1 November, lunchtime

- Review report of the moderator of the central committee
- Discuss aspects of the report related to the mandate of the PRC
- Review report of the general secretary of the WCC
- Discuss aspects of the report related to the mandate of the PRC

Unity Statement Subcommittee

- Review background documents
- Formulate initial reactions to the text
- Prepare for business session addressing text and additional hearing for feedback

Session 3: Saturday 2 November, morning

Membership Matters

- Review and analyze reports on membership matters concerning WCC member churches which were presented to central and executive committees since Porto Alegre
- Identify and discuss issues and challenges related to WCC member churches (unions, mergers etc.)

Unity Statement Subcommittee

- Begin review of plenary and additional hearing feedback as well as reports from relevant ecumenical conversations, particularly those on ecclesiology and mission
- Identify areas of revision

Session 4: Saturday 2 November, morning

Membership Matters

- Review and analyze reports on membership matters concerning applications for membership in the WCC which were presented to central and executive committees since Porto Alegre
- Review reports of travels related to applicant churches

Unity Statement Subcommittee

- Editing work

Session 5: Saturday 2 November, morning

Amendments to WCC Constitution and Rules

The PRC considers amendments to the constitution and rules of the WCC as approved in the last central committee and:

- Processes amendments to the WCC Constitution for assembly approval
- Processes amendments to WCC Rules I and VI, already approved by the central committee in 2012 and which will come into effect only after their confirmation by the assembly

Unity Statement Subcommittee

- Editing
- Unity Statement Subcommittee joins PRC if work completed

Session 6: Saturday 2 November, afternoon

Amendments to WCC Constitution and Rules and Supplement to Rules

- Receives and processes any other amendments to the constitution and rules raised before or during the assembly;
- Considers matters pertaining to the supplement to the rules

Unity Statement Subcommittee

- Editing
- Unity Statement Subcommittee joins PRC if work completed

Session 7: Saturday 2 November afternoon

- Work continued
- Rapporteur and moderator begin drafting

Session 8: Sunday 3 November, afternoon

- Joint session on reporting of full PRC and Unity Subcommittee
- Unity Statement Subcommittee proposed amendments (action needed)
- PRC Report proposed amendments (action needed)

Session 9: Sunday 3 November, afternoon

- Joint session on reporting of full Policy Reference Committee and Unity Subcommittee
- Additional drafting as needed
- Finalize PRC report with Unity Statement (action needed)
- Submit report for translation

Session 10: Sunday 3 November, evening

- Carry over work as needed/Presentation issues

Session 11: Monday 4 November

- New matters as developed in plenary, if any

Extra session for revisions to report if required

Assembly Public Issues Committee

1. Mandate and tasks

The mandate of the Public Issues Committee (PIC) is to prepare public statements for adoption by the assembly. The basic provisions for making such statements are set out in WCC Rule XIII:

In the performance of its functions, the Council through its Assembly or through its Central Committee may issue statements on any situation or concern with which the Council or its constituent churches may be confronted.

While such statements may have great significance and influence as the expression of the judgement or concern of so widely representative a Christian body, yet their authority will consist only in the weight which they carry by their own truth and wisdom, and the publishing of such statements shall not be held to imply that the World Council as such has, or can have, any constitutional authority over the constituent churches or right to speak for them.

The main criteria used in selecting issues on which Public Statements are made have been identified by the central committee as follows:

- Areas on issues on which the WCC has had direct involvement and long standing commitment;
- Emerging issues of international concern to which the attention of the churches should be called for action;
- Critical and developing political situations which demand the WCC to make known its judgement and lend its spiritual and moral voice;
- Expectations from the member churches that WCC should speak;
- The need to set policy or mandates for the WCC staff.

After a careful process of selection, involving the Commission of the Churches on International Affairs (CCIA), the officers of the WCC, the executive committee in September 2012, and the central committee in 2012, and the executive committee in March 2013, it has been proposed to present to the assembly:

A statement each on:

- Freedom of religion and rights of all religious communities in the context of politicization of religion;
- Peace and re-unification in the context of the Korean Peninsula;
- Just peace;
- Human rights of stateless people.

The approval of the assembly will be sought on these issues at an early business session at which the delegates will also be informed of procedures and deadlines for proposing additional issues.

The task of the PIC is to discuss and elaborate draft statements which will be brought to the assembly for adoption. The PIC offers policy guidance to the churches by providing a language to bring international issues to governments, intergovernmental organizations and other political decision-making structures.

2. Detailed annotated agenda

Wednesday 30 October evening (18:15):

A document on the proposed Public Issues is presented in a business plenary session (18:15-19:45) and distributed to the delegates who are invited to suggest new proposals within the next 24 hours.

Session 1: Thursday 31 October, lunchtime

- Introduction and orientation: Presentation of members, introduction to the tasks of the PIC, to the working methods and annotated agenda;
- Introduction to consensus procedures;
- Presentation of the texts on the proposed Public Issues;
- Division of tasks among members of the PIC to work on specific issues.

Thursday 31 October (19.30):

Deadline for receiving new proposals from the delegates

Session 2: Friday 1 November, lunchtime

Discussion on new proposals for Public Issues received from the assembly and finalization of agenda of PIC.

Small drafting groups will be assigned to draft specific proposals and are asked to find their own meeting times. Coordination and monitoring are assumed by the PIC moderator, rapporteur and staff in charge who will be meeting every morning.

Session 3: Saturday 2 November, morning

- Discussion/ drafting on public issues continues

Session 4: Saturday 2 November, morning

- Discussion/ drafting on public issues continues

Session 5: Saturday 2 November, afternoon

- Discussion/ drafting on public issues continues

Session 6: Saturday 2 November, afternoon

- First reading of texts from the drafting groups and agreement on the proposal for the first PIC report

Session 7: Sunday 3 November, afternoon

- First reading of remaining texts from the drafting groups and agreement on the proposal for the first PIC report

Session 8: Monday 4 November, lunchtime

- Agreement on the proposal for the second report (on remaining issues) of PIC

Session 9: Tuesday 5 November, lunchtime

- Agreement on the proposal for the second report (on remaining issues) of PIC

Assembly Finance Committee

1. Mandate and tasks

The Assembly Finance Committee (AFC) reviews the developments in, and profile of, the World Council of Churches (WCC)'s finances over the past seven years; following consultation with the Programme Guidelines Committee and review of the income perspectives, proposes general guidelines for financial strategy for the next cycle of work.

The main tasks of the Assembly Finance Committee are to:

- a) Review the World Council of Churches finances since Porto Alegre, covering income trends, programme direct and staff costs, infrastructure direct and staff costs, capital expenditure and major building works at the Ecumenical Centre and the Ecumenical Institute, and the pension fund;
- b) Provide assembly delegates with an understanding of WCC's financial profile and views on perspectives for the future period;
- c) Recommend financial policy priorities to be addressed by central committee.

2. Detailed annotated agenda

Session 1: Thursday 31 October, lunchtime

- Welcome and introductions;
- Introduction to consensus procedures;
- Review of working methods;
- Assignment of tasks in respect of ecumenical conversations;
- Review of the annotated agenda;
- Review of actions taken on recommendations from the Porto Alegre assembly finance committee.

Session 2: Friday 1 November, lunchtime

- Consider the report of the moderator with a focus on its financial implications;
- Consider the report of the general secretary with a focus on its financial implications;
- Review of the financial trends and stewardship 2006 to 2012, current management issues and perspectives for future trends.

Session 3: Saturday 2 November, morning

- Review proposed changes to the Constitution and Rules with a focus on matters of governance in relation to finance;
- Communication to the Policy Reference Committee as needed.

Session 4: Saturday 2 November, morning

- Review of membership contributions and membership contribution scheme;
- Review of programme income developments and strategy for 2014-2017.

Session 5: Saturday 2 November, afternoon

- Review of financial scenarios for 2014 to 2017;
- Prepare comments concerning financial criteria and parameters to be shared with the Programme Guidelines Committee.

Session 6: Saturday 2 November, afternoon

- Receive the moderator (and other representative(s)) of the Programme Guidelines Committee to share observations

Session 7: Saturday 2 November, evening

- Receive an overview of WCC policies and identify priorities to be addressed by the central committee;
- Receive a report of the audit committee;
- Receive a report of the pension fund committee.

Session 8: Sunday 3 November, afternoon

- Receive reports of assembly finance committee members from ecumenical conversations;
- Discuss and draft the assembly finance committee report to assembly.

Session 9: Monday 4 November, evening

- Review and finalize the report of the assembly finance committee to assembly.

Assembly Nominations Committee

1. Mandate and tasks

The Assembly Nominations Committee (ANC) considers recommendations from member churches, regional and confessional meetings of delegates, and

makes proposals for the election of presidents and members of the central committee from among the delegates.

2. Detailed annotated agenda

Session 1: Wednesday 30 October, evening (over dinner)

- Introduction to the mandate, tasks and schedule;
- Introduction to consensus procedures
- Overview of responsibilities and assignment to subcommittees;
- Discuss the draft of the first report of the ANC concerning the profile of the new central committee (no names);
- Presentation of background documents;
- Presentation of nominations from the churches to date.

Session 2: Thursday 31 October, lunchtime

- Insights from the general secretary;
- Prepare for regional meetings (18:15-19:45 on Thursday) at which nominations (inter alia, for the presidium) will be discussed.

Expected outcome: *First report of the ANC presented to the plenary, Hearing Session, 14:15-15:45*

Session 3: Friday 1 November, lunchtime

- Assess input from regions and finalize Second Report

Expected outcome: *Second report of the ANC presented to the plenary, Hearing Session, 14:15-15:45*

Session 4: Saturday 2 November, all day

- Discuss the feedback from the plenary and how to proceed;

Session 5: Sunday 3 November, afternoon

- Finalize the slate of nominations;
- Prepare the Report of the ANC, including the full slate of nominations.

Session 6: Monday 4 November

Expected outcome: *Third report of the ANC presented to the plenary, Decision session, 18:15-19:45*

If elections are held, the work of the Committee is over.

If not, the ANC continues to meet.

Assembly Message Committee

1. Mandate and tasks

The Assembly Message Committee (AMC) is responsible for listening carefully to what is happening at the assembly-in its prayer life, Bible study groups, plenary sessions, ecumenical conversations and the *Madang*. Based on what it has heard, the committee develops and presents for adoption by the assembly a text that captures the experience and hopes of those gathered in Busan. This message is intended to serve as an inspiration to Christians and the churches in their ecumenical commitment, and to offer a clear and convincing Christian witness to the world at large.

2. Detailed annotated agenda

Session 1: Thursday 31 October, lunchtime

- Brief review of mailings introducing
 - What is a Message?
 - What forms may it take?
 - When will Message drafts be considered in plenary?
- Most of the session consists of self-introductions and community-building including an introduction to consensus procedures

Session 2: Friday 1 November, lunchtime

- Introductions of any new-comers
- Discussion of the form and content for the Message from Busan
- Assignment of responsibility for writing a short preliminary draft. This may be entrusted to an individual or very small group.

Session 3: Saturday 2 November, morning and afternoon

- After a presentation of the rough draft, the committee will consider again the desired form and content. The first question will be how to organize the group for the work – whether to meet as a whole, or split into sub-groups on particular aspects of the Message.
- Assignment of responsibility for editing/re-writing of a draft based on input.

Session 4: Sunday 3 November, afternoon and/or evening

Consensus on a Message draft to present to the plenary

Second week – subsequent meetings will depend on feedback from the assembly, the scheduling of the AMC reports in plenary, and the need to revise texts and come to consensus on each draft.

PRAYER LIFE

The Tenth Assembly of the World Council of Churches will be a “praying assembly.” Participants will gather each morning and evening for common prayer in the BEXCO Center, and they will close each morning session with prayer before the noon meal. Eucharistic services also may be offered by various church traditions. The assembly will be closely linked with local church life in Busan, and congregations around the world will pray along with the assembly, using resources from the assembly website.

At registration you received a copy of *Hallelujah!* the book of resources for prayer and praise. Please bring this with you every day.

Opening celebration

The opening celebration of Gathering Prayer begins in the space for common prayer at the BEXCO Center, from 10:45 on Wednesday 30 October.

Morning prayer

Prayer begins each morning at 8:30 in the BEXCO Center prayer space, with time reserved for gathering and singing beforehand. Morning prayer will include a Bible reading taken from the same passage that provides the focus for the day’s Bible Study.

Evening prayer

The assembly will gather for evening prayer at 19:45. Leadership will be taken by confessions found in Korea, alternating from evening to evening. These confessional evening prayers will follow the pattern of vespers services of varied church traditions.

Praise in the style of Taizé

At lunchtime on Thursday 31 October, prayers and song will be offered from 12:15 to 13:00 under the leadership of the Taizé community in France.

Dawn prayer with local congregations

There is a Korean custom of very early morning prayer, with a sermon, in local churches of many traditions. If you are interested in experiencing this “dawn prayer” in the neighbourhood of your hotel, please seek further information on nearby churches and times from the Host Committee desk in the BEXCO *madang* hall.

Wednesday evening worship with Korean visitors

On Wednesday evening 6 November assembly participants are invited to join with members of local churches in a traditional Korean service of witness at the BEXCO Center. More information about this event will be announced in the assembly newspaper.

Closing celebration

The assembly will close with Sending Prayer on Friday 8 November, beginning at 14:15 in the space for common prayer of the BEXCO Center. Participants will be sent forth with an assurance of the power of our God of life to lead us to justice and peace.

General remarks

The assembly's worship planning committee and its staff coordinate services of common prayer through the assembly worship office in the Organizers office, 254a. Times set for services will not conflict with the agenda of the assembly.

MADANG PROGRAMME

Madang is a Korean term which denotes a courtyard in a traditional Korean house. The *madang* served as a space for encounter and sharing, celebration and fellowship, greeting a visitor and welcoming a stranger. The Korean churches proposed *madang* as a concept to help root the assembly in the host context and also give shape and meaning to the assembly. At the 1998 Harare and the 2006 Porto Alegre assemblies the respective concepts of *padare* and *mutirão* referred to a limited shared space for workshops, exhibitions and side events involving different groups and ecumenical partners.

Madang offers possibilities to participate in the entire assembly as a shared space for encounter and to discuss how we can best be the church together in the world today. By linking plenary presentations, discussion spaces, workshops, committees, seminars, etc, in more intentional ways, we are able to engage in a mutual learning and sharing of the gifts that we all bring. While the assembly may be held in the spirit of *madang*, a specific *madang* programme has been developed to promote the exchange of gifts and experiences among participants, through workshops, exhibitions, special events, performances, theatre, visual arts, spaces for discussion, and cultural presentations.

Madang workshops

Workshops are one-off events (running for a period of 90 minutes) that provide an opportunity for the assembly participants (between 30-60 participants) to come together to discuss and explore a specific thematic topic. Workshops:

- Provide space for the ecumenical family to discuss issues of common concern and/or emerging challenges, allowing for free and frank discussion in an environment of mutual learning;
- Enable the exchange of information and sharing of knowledge, specialisation and experience, while developing common approaches to best practice;
- Demonstrate the interconnectedness of topics;
- Help to develop guidance around future work and initiatives.

The workshops will be held over a four-day period during the assembly beginning in the afternoon sessions on Monday, 4 November. Times, places, and topics are listed at the end of this *Handbook*.

***Madang* exhibitions**

Exhibitions are spaces (either running for the duration of the assembly or for shorter periods) that provide an opportunity for the assembly participants and the wider public to enjoy a range of diverse offerings from the membership and/ or ecumenical partners. The 90 exhibitions are not limited to static presentations and displays (photo essays, art exhibitions, etc.) and may include a variety of dynamic or performance offerings. Exhibitions are in the *madang* hall.

Side events

Side events are events for the fellowship, ecumenical partners and wider public that may include music *madang*, e.g., cultural performances (theatre, dance), concerts, or visual arts, designated spaces for discussion, e.g., a series of conversations with key ecumenists or authors, a youth space, etc. The events space in the *madang* hall includes a stage for performance of dance or theatre, and 30 side events are scheduled during the assembly.

WEEKEND PROGRAMME

Ecumenical pilgrimage with Korean churches and society

The Korean Host Committee invites assembly delegates and participants to take part in a weekend pilgrimage for justice and peace to deepen their ecumenical fellowship with the Korean churches and to immerse themselves in the life and struggle of Korean people and society. During the weekend participants from all over the world will encounter local congregations and experience the culture, history, spirituality and struggle of the Korean people. The Korean churches, as well as the broader society, will encounter the global Christian family, deepening their ecumenical understanding and providing direct contact with local congregations.

Weekend Programme

After having completed the first three days of work, participants are invited to join one of 18 weekend programmes offered as a common ecumenical pilgrimage. On Saturday, 2 November, participants will join exposure visit to encounter the history, culture, society and life struggle of the Korean people. On Sunday, 3 November, participants will worship with local congregations. The weekend programme will take place throughout Korea in Seoul, Busan, Jeju Island and Gwangju. Some programmes involve walking and other outdoor activities. See descriptions below.

The programme in Seoul is an ecumenical pilgrimage of peace for the Korean peninsula and the world. It includes a visit to Imjinkak Peace Park, near the demilitarized zone (DMZ) between North and South Korea, where participants can witness the pain of division and the longing for peace among the people of Korea. The day will end with a Korean cultural performance. On Sunday participants will worship with local congregations. This is an overnight programme. Participants will be collected from their hotels in Busan and taken by bus and train to Seoul.

The 16 programmes in Busan provide exposure to the history, culture, ecology, multiculturalism and churches of the Busan area and nearby cities. The Busan programme includes day visits to Kyeongju, an ancient Buddhist city; and to Andong, an ancient Confucian city, with inter-faith conversations on the assembly theme. All the Busan area programmes are day trips. Participants will leave from Bexco following Morning Prayer and be returned to their hotels at the end of the day.

The programme on Jeju Island is an exposure to a place of great beauty, which is a world heritage site, and significant history of exile and uprising. Participants will visit many natural and historic sites and also meet local residents to learn about their struggles. This is an overnight programme. Participants will be collected from their hotels in Busan and fly to Jeju Island.

The programme in Gwangju is an exposure to the Korean people's struggle for democracy and its theological significance. There is a second programme featuring life-giving agriculture and alternative community living. The Gwangju programme is for participants in the Global Ecumenical Theological Institute (GETI). This is an overnight programme. Participants will be collected from the Hanwha Resort and taken by bus to Gwangju.

Exposure visits – Saturday, 2 November

Seoul

1. Seoul: Ecumenical pilgrimage of peace for the Korean peninsula and the world

Busan

2. Busan: Marine Culture – Ecumenical pilgrimage on marine culture
3. Busan: History and Democratization – Ecumenical pilgrimage on the democratization movement
4. Busan: Peace – Ecumenical pilgrimage on the struggle for peace
5. Busan: Justice and the Struggle for Life – Ecumenical pilgrimage for life and justice
6. Busan: Ecology – Ecumenical pilgrimage on ecology at the Nakdong River
7. Busan: Spiritual Plurality – Ecumenical pilgrimage on spiritual plurality
8. Busan: Nuclear Issue – Ecumenical pilgrimage to a nuclear power plant
9. Busan: Multicultural Busan – Ecumenical pilgrimage on multiculturalism
10. Busan: Economic Development – Ecumenical pilgrimage to the industrial complex in Geojeido
11. Busan: Industry and Ecology – Ecumenical pilgrimage on ecology and industry in Ulsan
12. Busan: Kyeongju and Buddhism – Ecumenical pilgrimage to Kyeongju

13. Busan: Andong and Confucianism – Ecumenical pilgrimage to Andong
14. Busan: Women, Human Rights and Liberation – Ecumenical pilgrimage for women’s liberation
15. Busan: Empowering the Marginalized – Ecumenical pilgrimage of mission history and service

Jeju Island

16. Jeju Island: History and Environment – Ecumenical pilgrimage of witness and beauty on Jeju Island

Gwangju

17. Gwangju: Justice and Democracy – Ecumenical pilgrimage with people’s struggle for justice and democracy
18. Gwangju: Alternative Civilization – Ecumenical pilgrimage of natural artistic agriculture

Worship with local congregations – Sunday, 3 November

On Sunday all participants are invited to worship with the Korean congregations, regardless of where they visit on Saturday. There are Anglican, Baptist, Evangelical, Holiness, Lutheran, Methodist, Orthodox, Pentecostal, Presbyterian, Reformed and Roman Catholic churches throughout Korea. If you have been asked to preach, you will have been contacted in advance.

To confirm where you will worship on Sunday, please see the Host Committee pavilion in the *madang* hall.

If you are joining the Seoul programme, your host congregation will meet you at after the cultural event on Saturday. If you are staying in Busan, your host congregation will meet you at your hotel. Please confirm the time and details with the Host Committee in the *madang* hall.

Sign up for the weekend programme

At registration each participant received a weekend confirmation, indicating if you are going to Seoul, Busan, Jeju Island or Gwangju.

Participants invited to join the Busan programmes should sign up for one of the 16 exposure visits at the Busan Host Committee pavilion in the *madang* hall. Please sign up before 14L00 on Friday, 1 November. Space is limited and visits are subject to change. Reservations are made on “first come, first served” basis.

If it was confirmed at registration that you are going to Seoul, Jeju Island or Gwangju, but you are *not* able to join the overnight programme, please inform the Host Committee at their pavilion in the *madang* hall.

Guidelines for the weekend programme

1. No costs are involved for registered participants.
2. Any personal expenses are the participant's responsibility.
3. Participants are expected to follow the proposed itinerary as a group.
4. Bring a warm jacket in case you are cold (10-20 degrees Celsius on average).
5. Those who have responsibility for Sunday worship should wear formal dress.
6. Due to limited capacity, your first option may not be available.
7. If you are away overnight in Seoul, Jeju Island or Gwangju, do not bring too much luggage; keep it simple to move around, and do not check out of your Busan hotel room.

Descriptions of exposure visits

1. Seoul – Peace for the Korean peninsula and the world

Places to visit	-Imjinkak, border between North and South Korea – 430 km from Busan. -Imjinkak Peace Park, Dora Lookout, Seoul and surrounding areas.
Capacity	Maximum – 800 persons.
Programme features and ecumenical implications	<p>Peace and reunification of the Korean peninsula are a sort of eschatological aspiration for the Korean people. Assembly participants are invited to visit to Imjinkak Peace Park, at the border between North and South Korea, where one can feel what it means to be divided among the same people. At Imjinkak an event for the peace of Korea and the world will be held. It will be followed by a Korean cultural evening in Seoul. After the cultural evening, participants will be hosted by different congregations in Seoul.</p> <p>On Sunday participants are invited to attend the Sunday worship service, which is followed by a fellowship with congregation members. On Sunday afternoon, participants will gather together at the Seoul train station and return to Busan. In addition to an extraordinary experience in Imjinkak, the visit to Seoul will be a unique opportunity to enjoy the landscape of Korea, see the capital city and partake in fellowship with Korean Christians.</p>

Tentative Programme	<p>Saturday, 2 November</p> <p>07:30 Depart from hotels in Busan</p> <p>12:00 Lunch on the train</p> <p>13:30 Arrival at Imjinkak Peace Park or Dora Lookout</p> <p>15:00 Move to Seoul</p> <p>17:00 Korean cultural night</p> <p>18:00 Dinner</p> <p>19:00 Move to hotel</p> <p><u>Sunday, 3 November</u></p> <p>11:00 Sunday worship with congregations in Seoul</p> <p>15:00 Depart from Seoul station to Busan</p>
Transportation	KTX (high speed train) and buses.
Accommodation	Stay overnight in Seoul in hotels or home stay (no cost).

2. Busan – Marine Culture

Places to visit	<p>-Busan Port – 20 km from Bexco.</p> <p>-Haewoondae, Busan Port, Dadaepo, Marine Museum, Galmaegil.</p>
Capacity	Maximum – 30 persons.
Programme features and ecumenical implications	<p>Busan is located at an historical crossroad between Asia and the Pacific. The port city has been a gateway between civilizations since early Korean history and continues to be a major port through which commercial goods come and go; and through which different ways of living are exchanged. The port was a gateway for Christian missionaries from America, Canada and Australia.</p> <p>The group will visit historic sites by boat, such as Haewoondae, Orukdo, the main gate of the Busan port, and Youngdo (where horses were raised in old times), Songdo beach, the Dadaepo fish markets and the Marine Museum.</p>
Tentative Programme	<p>Saturday, 2 November</p> <p>09:30 Depart Bexco</p> <p>10:30 Embark at Haewoondae to see the historical port area</p> <p>12:00 Lunch</p> <p>13:00 Guided tour at the Marine Museum</p> <p>16:30 Visit Galmaegil</p> <p>18:00 Back to Haeundae beach</p>
Transportation	By bus and boat.

3. Busan – History and Democratization

Places to visit	- Busan downtown – 23 km from Bexco. - Democracy Park, Busan Modern History Museum, Anglican Church, Democratization Street, Kukjae International Market.
Capacity	Maximum – 30 persons.
Programme features and ecumenical implications	<p>Busan is a city with a remarkable history. There are many important sites related to the historical development of modern Korea and Korea's international relationships with China, Russia and the USA (throughout Korean history); the Japanese invasion (from the Three Kingdoms era in the first millennium) and colonial occupation (1910-1945); the Korean war (1950-1953); the democratization movement (1970s and 1980s); and the internationalization process (1990s and onwards).</p> <p>As a harbour city, Busan has been a gateway for international contact and geo-political and geo-economic interaction with other countries. Busan has been a city of resistance, where resistance movements emerged. Churches have accompanied these historical processes, trying to witness to the Gospel in each context. For instance, churches have been engaged in human rights and democratization struggles. Today they are engaged in solidarity work with migrant workers and multi-cultural families. Participants will visit historical sites related to Korean history and Christian mission.</p>
Tentative Programme	<p>Saturday, 2 November</p> <p>09:30 Depart from Bexco</p> <p>10:30 Arrival in Busan downtown and guided tour</p> <p>12:00 Lunch</p> <p>14:00 Tour continues</p> <p>16:30 Visit Kukjae international market</p> <p>18:00 Back to Haeundae beach</p>
Transportation	By bus.

4. Busan – Peace

Places to visit	-Dongrae area – 8 km from Bexco. -Archaeological site of Dongrae Mountain Fortress, Dongrae historical sites, Dongrae Confucian Academy, Busanjin Fortress, Chinatown.
Capacity	Maximum – 30 persons.
Programme features and ecumenical implications	<p>Dongrae is the place where a fortress used to be located. This was the pivotal place from where the Chosun dynasty (1392-1910) resisted the invasion of the Japanese military forces in 1592. History tells us that there was a lot of exchange between ancient Korea and Japan, particularly during the three kingdoms era in the first millennium. However, Japan was historically interested in invading Korea to reach China and expand its territory. Korea has been a victim of geo-political conflicts to the present.</p> <p>If the Dongrae fortress had been opened to the Japanese invasion, the whole country would have been endangered and therefore, there was a persistent resistance movement led by the local governor.</p> <p>Participants will visit historical sites of the Dongrae fortress, including a Confucian academy called Hyangyo (a regional school). This is the place where Confucian education took place and both intellectuals and government officials were trained.</p>
Tentative Programme	<p>Saturday, 2 November</p> <p>09:00 Depart from Bexco</p> <p>10:00 Guided tour of Dongrae Fortress</p> <p>12:00 Lunch</p> <p>15:00 Guided tour of Busanjin fortress</p> <p>15:30 Visit China town, International market</p> <p>18:00 Back to Haeundae beach</p>
Transportation	By bus.

5. Busan – Justice and the Struggle for Life

Places to visit	-Impoverished area – 18 km from Bexco. -Gamchun village, Biseok (tombstone) village, Maechookji (reclamation area) village, Somak (cattle shed) village, Moodeom (grave) village.
Capacity	Maximum – 30 persons.
Programme features and ecumenical implications	<p>The struggle of marginalized people for life is tearful and persistent. During the Japanese colonial period, many people were uprooted from their homes, forced into labour or engaged in resistance. When the country was liberated in 1945, lots of people returned but had no place to live. During the Korean war many refugees had no shelter. In the 1970s, the poor were deprived of their homes in the name of development. Those returning people, refugees and the poor had no choice but to seek refuge in the Japanese cemetery, sheltering themselves in the public grave area. Villages like Biseok, Maechookji and Moodeom were formed in this way.</p> <p>One can find an interesting story in these experiences. The Koreans who built their shelter over the tombstones of the Japanese dead, their enemy in one sense, have been offering sacrificial rites for those who offered them shelter. In this way, a communion of life was shared between the living and the dead. Today these villages, which can easily become slum areas, are being transformed by artists and people's movements into an example of a village renewal movement.</p>
Tentative Programme	<p>Saturday, 2 November</p> <p>09:00 Depart from Bexco</p> <p>10:00 Guided tour on Gamchun village, Biseok (tombstone) village and Maechookji (reclamation area) village</p> <p>12:00 Lunch</p> <p>13:30 Guided tour on Moodeom (grave) Village and Somak (cattle shed) village</p> <p>18:00 Back to Haeundae beach</p>
Transportation	By bus.

6. Busan – Ecology

Places to visit	-Woopo and Nakdong rivers outside Busan – 115 km from Bexco. -Woopo damp ground, Haman dam, Eulsook-do and Haman wetlands, Amasin observation.
Capacity	Maximum – 30 persons.
Programme features and ecumenical implications	<p>The Nakdong River is one of the most important ecological sites around Busan. In the Gyeongnam Province, which surrounds Busan, there are a number of ecological sites like the Junam wetland and Woopo damp ground. The Ramsar Convention on Wetlands took place in Changwon in 2008 where the Junam wetland is located.</p> <p>In 2012 the Korean government initiated a development process involving four main rivers as well as the formation of artificial wetlands. However, this development process is causing serious negative ecological consequences. The eco-rhythm has been considerably disturbed, and further devastation has occurred. This place is an example of the negative consequences of development. Theologically, this is a reminder that God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom (1 Cor 1:25). The visit to these sites will challenge participants to think about artificial development and the resulting ecological devastation.</p>
Tentative Programme	<p>Saturday 2 November</p> <p>09:00 Depart from Bexco</p> <p>11:30 Visit Woopo and Haman wetlands</p> <p>12:00 Lunch</p> <p>14:00 Visit Eulsook-do wetlands and Amasin observation tower, International market</p> <p>18:00 Back to Haeundae beach</p>
Transportation	By bus.

7. Busan – Spiritual Plurality

Places to visit	-Dongrae area – 8 km from Bexco. - Won Buddhism Dongrae Temple, Dongrae Central Church, Dongrae Confucian Shrine, Islamic Mosque, Beomeosa Temple.
Capacity	Maximum – 30 persons.
Programme features and ecumenical implications	The day will provide encounters with four major religions in Korea and an opportunity to reflect upon peace and inter-religious dialogue. The group will visit Busan religious communities, including the Won Buddhist Temple, Dongrae Central Church and the Dongrae Confucian Shrine and Education Centre, where government officials and intellectuals were trained. Participants will visit one of the most significant Buddhist temples in Korea – Beomeosa.
Tentative Programme	Saturday, 2 November 09:00 Depart Bexco 10:00 Visit Dongrae Confucian Temple, Won Buddhist Temple, Dongrae Central Church 12:00 Lunch at Dongrae Central Church and tour of church museum 15:00 Visit Mosque 15:30 Visit Beomeosa and tea ceremony 18:00 Back to Haeundae beach
Transportation	By bus.

8. Busan – Nuclear Issues

Places to visit	-Nuclear power plants on the east coast – 77 km from Bexco. -Gori nuclear power plant, Kyeongju radioactive waste treatment plant, Korea Hydro & Nuclear Power Co., Ltd., and No Nukes Busan Citizen Countermeasure Commission.
Capacity	Maximum – 30 persons.
Programme features and ecumenical implications	<p>The Fukushima Nuclear Power Plant disaster in March 2011 challenged the world to rethink the security of nuclear power. Having been challenged by Fukushima incidents, some European countries decided to scale back nuclear power production. However, Korea is enthusiastically promoting nuclear energy.</p> <p>Along the east coast starting from Busan, a series of five nuclear power plants have been built in Kijang (28 km away), in Kyeongju (77 km away) and in Uljin (241 km away). In Kyeongju a radioactive waste treatment plant is under construction. These nuclear power plants are quite old, and recently there have been a number of incidents. Among 23 nuclear power stages, five stages are in disorder. Nuclear power has emerged as one of the major issues related to life and peace.</p>
Tentative Programme	Saturday, 2 November 08:00 Departure from Bexco 08:30 Conversation with representatives of No-Nukes Busan Citizen Countermeasure Commission and residents of Gori 09:10 Visit Gori nuclear power plants 12:00 Lunch 13:00 Visit to Yangnam beach 16:20 Visit to radioactive waste treatment plant in Kyeongju 18:00 Back to Haeundae beach
Transportation	By bus.

9. Busan – Multicultural Busan

Places to visit	-Gimhae – 30 km from Bexco. -Archaeological site of Karak-kuk (42-532), migrant community and multi-cultural centre.
Capacity	Maximum – 30 persons.
Programme features and ecumenical implications	<p>Korea used to be known as a homogenous people and country. However, an alternative reality is emerging today. From ancient times, Korea has been a multicultural community, welcoming people from different cultures and promoting convergence of different peoples and cultures. Gimhae is the area where such encounters and convergences took place. A person who came from China was enthroned king of Karak-kuk (kingdom), and he was married to a queen coming from India, according to the writings of a Buddhist monk in the Sylla era (the first millennium).</p> <p>Through the Karak kingdom, cultural pluralism as well as the iron culture was introduced in Korea. The Karak kingdom was absorbed by Sylla kingdom, which unified the three kingdoms to become the Unified Sylla Kingdom. A number of military leaders, like Kim Yu-Shin, who unified the three kingdoms, came from the Karak kingdom. In this respect, Gimhae was a pioneering community for cultural pluralism in ancient times and this continues even today. Gimhae is one of the major cities where a strong migrant community is established.</p>
Tentative Programme	<p>Saturday, 2 November</p> <p>09:00 Depart from Busan</p> <p>10:00 Guided tour of archaeological sites at Karak-kuk</p> <p>12:00 Lunch</p> <p>13:30 Guided tour continues</p> <p>14:30 Visit multicultural centre and market; and church diaconal centres</p> <p>18:00 Back to Haeundae beach</p>
Transportation	By bus.

10. Busan – Economic Development

Places to visit	-Geojei – 83 km from Bexco. -Memorial Park at Prisoners of War Camp, Geojei fishery village, Daewoo Haeyang shipbuilding dockyard, Okpo sweeping victory memorial park.
Capacity	Maximum – 30 persons.
Programme features and ecumenical implications	<p>Geojei is an island located southwest of Busan. Today a giant bridge connects Busan and Geojei. The island has been home to a Japanese military company stationed there. During the Japanese military invasion of 1592, a decisive naval battle took place between Japanese and Korean navies. The key leader of the Korean navy was Admiral Lee Soon-Shin. He won almost all the battles with the Japanese navy, and Korea was saved from this Japanese invasion. There is a monument park commemorating his patriotism and sweeping victory.</p> <p>During the Korean war (1950-1953), a prisoner of war camp was set up on Geojei island. The camp is still there today. Also located on Geojei is the shipbuilding facility of the Daewoo Corporation. Participants will see the Daewoo industrial complex, which has made a remarkable contribution to economic growth in Korea. There is also a fishing village exhibition centre.</p>
Tentative Programme	<p>Saturday, 2 November</p> <p>09:00 Depart from Busan</p> <p>10:30 Daewoo Haeyang marine shipyard</p> <p>12:00 Lunch with local church leaders</p> <p>13:30 Guided tour of prisoner of war camp</p> <p>15:00 Okpo sweeping victory memorial park and fishery village exhibition centre</p> <p>18:00 Back to Haeundae beach</p>
Transportation	By bus.

11. Busan – Industry and Ecology

Places to visit	-Ulsan – 65 km from Bexco. -Hyundae Industrial Complex, Ulsan Industrial Village, Taehwa River, traditional market.
Capacity	Maximum – 30 persons.
Programme features and ecumenical implications	<p>Ulsan is the capital city of Korean industry. This is the place where the famous Hyundai heavy industry complex is stationed. Hyundai cars and Hyundai ships are manufactured in Ulsan. Ulsan has become a symbol of the Korean industrialization process by which today's economic growth was created. However, there is also a dark side to industrialization and economic growth. The industrialization of Ulsan also resulted in a number of social problems. Struggles for human rights and workers' rights have been major social issues in Ulsan. Even though urbanization and industrialization led to the growth of the Korean church, this social situation raised concerns among the churches, which then became engaged in social, diaconal work.</p> <p>Environmental issues also became a serious problem for Ulsan. Rivers and the air have been seriously polluted. A citizen's movement was launched to revitalize the heavily polluted Taehwa River. The revitalization of the river is one of the success stories for ecological recovery through cooperation of citizens, government and industry.</p>
Tentative Programme	<p>Saturday, 2 November</p> <p>08:30 Depart from Busan</p> <p>10:30 Guided tour of Hyundai Industrial Complex</p> <p>12:00 Lunch with local church leaders</p> <p>14:00 Guided tour of Ulsan Industrial Village</p> <p>15:30 Taehwa river which was transformed into life-giving river</p> <p>16:30 Traditional market</p> <p>18:00 Back to Haeundae beach</p>
Transportation	By bus.

12. Busan – Kyeongju and Buddhism

Places to visit	-Kyeongju – 95 km from Busan. -Bulkuk Sa (Buddhist temple), other Buddhist cultural sites, churches in Kyeongju.
Capacity	Maximum – 30 persons.
Programme features and ecumenical implications	<p>Kyeongju was the capital city of Sylla Dynasty (BCE 57 – CE 935). Buddhism was the state religion of the Sylla Dynasty, and therefore Kyeongju was a centre of Buddhist culture, which remains true today. Bulkuk Sa is representative of Buddhist temples in which the Buddhist vision is well expressed. Bulkuk is meant to be a Kingdom of Buddha, an equivalent concept of the Kingdom of God. In Sylla, there were two Buddhist schools – Royal Buddhism and Minjung Buddhism. The two schools interpreted Buddhist doctrine differently. Bulkuk Sa was built on the basis of a sort of liberation Buddhist doctrine that the Kingdom of Buddha is “here and now.”</p> <p>In Kyeongju are a number of Buddhist cultural heritage sites. One can find ancient Cheomseongdae, which is known as an astrological study in ancient times. Kyeongju is an open air museum. In Kyeongju an active Christian mission has been carried out as well, and a strong grassroots ecumenical fellowship has developed among different protestant denominations.</p>
Tentative Programme	<p>Saturday, 2 November</p> <p>08:30 Depart from Bexco</p> <p>10:00 Arrival in Kyeongju and visit to historical sites</p> <p>12:00 Lunch</p> <p>14:00 Visit Bulkuk Sa (Buddhist Temple)</p> <p>15:30 Ecumenical Talk: Buddhist thoughts on Life, Justice and Peace</p> <p>18:00 Reception by leadership of churches in Kyeongju</p> <p>20:00 Back to Haeundae beach</p>
Transportation	By bus.

13. Busan – Andong and Confucianism

Places to visit	-Andong – 218 km from Busan. -Hawoe ancient village, Andong Presbyterian Church.
Capacity	Maximum – 30 persons.
Programme features and ecumenical implications	<p>Andong is a unique place where one can see a strong influence of the Confucian culture as well as features of a traditional Korean village. In Hawoe Village, one can enjoy a famous Korean mask dance as well as Korean traditional architecture. The mask dance is a traditional dance through which social critique could be made, particularly between nobles and common people in society of the middle ages.</p> <p>In the beginning of Christian mission, particularly Roman Catholic mission in 18th century, there was brutal confrontation between Roman Catholicism and Confucianism around the issue of ancestral rites, in which the lives of many Christians were lost.</p> <p>Confucianism has played a major role in Korean thought, spirituality and the social ethics that shapes Korean society. Korean people live their social lives according to Confucian social ethics even today.</p> <p>In Andong, one can also see how Christian missionaries responded to the misery of people's lives, which was marginalized by Confucianism in favour of speculative theory.</p>
Tentative Programme	<p>Saturday, 2 November</p> <p>08:00 Depart from Bexco</p> <p>11:00 Arrival in Hawoe Village</p> <p>12:30 Lunch</p> <p>14:00 Mask Dance</p> <p>16:00 Ecumenical Talk: Confucian understanding on Life, Justice and Peace</p> <p>17:00 Life and witness of Christian churches in Andong</p> <p>18:00 Reception with leadership of churches and society in Andong</p> <p>20:00 Back to Haeundae beach</p>
Transportation	By bus.

14. Busan – Women, Human Rights and Liberation

Places to visit	-Busan – 23 Km from Bexco. -Comfort Women's History Hall (Suyoungdong), Female North Korean Refugee Shelter (Choryungdong), women's prostitution shelter (Wanwoeldong), international market.
Capacity	Maximum – 30 persons.
Programme features and ecumenical implications	<p>To live as women in Korea means to take up much extra work. Under the Japanese colonization, many women were forced to become prostitutes for Japanese men, and their suffering continues until today. The Japanese government still denies that part of its history. This group will have an opportunity to visit and meet with some of the survivors, and to have a chance to express our solidarity.</p> <p>The division of Korea produced various refugees, even today. Among them, women refugees from North Korea in particular suffer much, both overseas and within Korea. This will be a good opportunity to listen to their life stories and hopes. YWCA in Busan has been assisting and working them to settle into Korean society. Sharing a lunch with them will be an excellent fellowship.</p>
Tentative Programme	<p>Saturday, 2 November</p> <p>09:00 Depart from Bexco</p> <p>10:30 Visit Comfort Women Historical Hall</p> <p>11:30 Visit Female North Korean Refugee Shelter</p> <p>12:00 Lunch with YWCA leaders</p> <p>13:30 Visit 'Sal-lim' Wanwoel-dong women's prostitution shelter</p> <p>16:00 Visit Kukjae international market</p> <p>18:00 Back to Haeundae beach</p>
Transportation	By bus.

15. Busan – Empowering the Marginalized

Places to visit	-Busan – 23 Km from Bexco. -Busan city (Busanjin Church, Ilshin Hospital and former girls' school, historical sites; Masan city, missionaries' memorial hall and cemetery, and Moonchang Church where the martyr Rev. Chu Ki-Cheol served.
Capacity	Maximum – 30 persons.
Programme features and ecumenical implications	<p>The first churches in Busan and Kyeong Nam province were established by Australian missionaries in 1889. Since that time, over 120 men and women have been sent from Australia to serve as part of the mission. Some stayed only a year or two, others for as long as forty years or more. Some died and were buried in Korea.</p> <p>The scope of their work includes church planting, medical services, modern education, enhancing women's status and equality of social classes. Empowering women was one of the most significant foci of Australian mission in Busan. Churches in the Busan area, regardless their denominational identity, enjoy the fruits of missionaries' dedicated work and continue in mission themselves. This program is designed to visit historical sites where Australian missionaries worked as well as the church that a famous martyr, Rev. Chu Ki-Cheol, once served.</p>
Tentative Programme	<p>Saturday, 2 November</p> <p>09:00 Depart from Bexco</p> <p>10:00 Guided tour to Busanjin Church, Ilshin Hospital</p> <p>12:00 Lunch</p> <p>13:00 Move to Masan</p> <p>14:00 Guided tour to the memorial hall and cemetery</p> <p>15:30 Visit Masan Moon Chang Church</p> <p>16:00 Meet with local church leaders</p> <p>18:30 Back to Haeundae beach</p>
Transportation	By bus.

16. Jeju Island – History and Environment

Places to visit	-Jeju Island – 420 km from Busan. -Jeju April 3rd Peace Park, Seongsan Ilchulbong (world heritage site), Gangjeong Village, natural landscape near the place of homestay.
Capacity	Maximum – 30 persons.
Program features and ecumenical implications	<p>Jeju Island is a popular holiday place for overseas tourists as well as Koreans. It has many natural and beautiful spots that have been well preserved. The group will have an opportunity to visit Seongsan Ilchulbong, which was named as a UNESCO world heritage site. Only 7 percent of its population is Christian.</p> <p>Historically this island is famous as a place of exile. A massacre took place in the in early 1950s, killing about 30,000 people who were misidentified as communists by the government. This event remains a hidden history of Korea. More recent conflict in the island took place in Gangjeong village. The government began to establish a naval base in the area in 2007, and many residents protested against the development in their village.</p>
Tentative Programme	<p>Saturday, 2 November 07:00 Depart from Busan 09:00 Arrive on Jeju island 09:30 Jeju April 3rd Peace Park 12:00 Lunch 13:00 Seongsan Ilchulbong 15:30 Dialogue with Gangjeong village Resident 18:00 Homestay</p> <p>Sunday ,3 November 11:00 Participation in Sunday services 15:00 Depart for Busan 17:00 Arrival in Busan</p>
Transportation	By airplane, bus, car. This is an overnight programme.
Accommodation	Homestay.

17. Gwangju – Justice and Democracy

Places to visit	-Gwangju – 270 km from Busan. -Honam Theological University, Gwangju uprising (1980) memorial park.
Capacity	GETI group only.
Programme features and ecumenical implications	<p>Gwangju is known as a city for liberation and the people's uprising for democracy. Gwangju is the place where people stood up against continuing military dictatorship in 1980s. They demanded democratization of the country, which had suffered under military dictatorship for more than thirty years. It is said that thousands of lives, particularly of young people, were lost in the uprising.</p> <p>GETI students will have an opportunity to learn more about the engagement for social justice and its theological implications through the visit. There will be a conversation on theological education in Korea. On Sunday, GETI students will have an opportunity to attend the worship service at different congregations in Gwangju. GETI students will be hosted by Honam Theological University.</p>
Tentative Programme	<p>Saturday, 2 November 08:00 Depart from Busan 12:00 Arrival at Honam Theological University in Gwangju and lunch 13:00 Guided tour on Gwangju uprising memorial park 15:30 Soshoewon, an ancient Korean garden 18:00 Back to Gwangju 19:30 Ecumenical conversation on theological education</p> <p>Sunday, 3 November 08:00 Breakfast 09:30 Morning walk 11:00 Participation in Sunday service in different congregations 12:30 Lunch and fellowship with congregation members 14:30 Depart for Busan 18:30 Arrival in Busan</p>
Transportation	By bus. This is an overnight programme.
Accommodation	Accommodation provided by Honam Theological University.

18. Gwangju – Alternative Civilization

Places to visit	-Jangseong, Gwangju, 270 km from Busan. -Hanmaeum community and Jeonwon (garden) church.
Capacity	GETI group only.
Programme features and ecumenical implications	Hanmaeum community is a place where a variety of experimental attempts are made for promoting alternative life-giving agriculture. In this place, natural artistic farming is being attempted beyond organic farming. Hanmaeum community used to be a primary school campus, but was transformed into an alternative community of various mud houses. This is an alternative architecture beyond the industrial type of construction. Recently, a mud church was constructed. In Hanmaeum community, a direct fair trade system between producers and consumers is established. (http://www.ecoschool.co.kr)
Tentative Programme	Saturday, 2 November 08:00 Depart from Busan 12:00 Arrival in Jangseong 12:30 Lunch 14:00 Guided tour of Hanmaeum community and eco-school 16:00 A talk concert on the story of Hanmaeum 18:30 Dinner 20:00 Dance therapy Sunday, 2 November 08:00 Breakfast 09:30 Morning walk 11:00 Participation in Sunday service at Jeonwon (Garden) Church 12:30 Lunch 14:30 Depart for Busan 18:30 Arrival in Busan
Transportation	By bus. This is an overnight programme.
Accommodation	Accommodation at Hanmaeum community.

USEFUL EXPRESSIONS IN KOREAN

Greetings and basic expressions

Hello! 안녕하세요! – [an-nyeong-ha-se-yo!]

Yes. No. 네 – [Ne]. 아니요 – [a-ni-yo]

Please. 부탁합니다 – [bu-tak-ham-ni-da]

Thank you very much. 감사합니다 – [gam-sa-ham-ni-da]

I'm sorry. 미안합니다 – [mi-an-ham-ni-da]

I don't speak Korean. 한국어 할 줄 몰라요 – [han-gu-geo-hal-jul mo-la-yo]

Do you speak English? French? Spanish? German?

영어할 줄 아세요? 프랑스어? 스페인어? 독일어? – [Young-eo-hal-jul a-se-yo ? Pranseo ? spain-eo ? dogil-eo ?]

Where is the toilet/restroom? 화장실이 어디인가요? – [hwa-jang-si-li eo-din-gayo ?]

How much is it this? 얼마예요? – [eol-ma-e-yo?]

What time is it? 몇시예요? – [myut-si-e-yo?]

I am sick. 아파요 – [A-pa-yo]

I am lost. 길을 잃어버렸어요 – [gil-eul il-eo-beo-ryu-seo-yo]

At a restaurant

Could you recommend something delicious? 맛있는 거 추천해주세요 – [ma-sit-neun-geo chu-cheon-he ju-se-yo]

Could you please give me a glass of water? 물 주세요 – [mul-ju-se-yo]

Could you make it not spicy? 안맵게 해주세요 – [an-mep-gea he-ju-se-yo]

It's delicious! 맛있어요 – [ma-si-sseo-yo!]

Other expressions

Yesterday 어제 - [**eo-je**]; Today 오늘 - [**o-neul**]; Tomorrow 내일 - [**ne-il**]

Entrance 입구 - [**ibgu**]; Exit 출구 - [**chulgu**]

Now 지금 - [**Jigeum**]; Later 나중 - [**Najung**]

Start 시작 - [**sijak**]; End 끝 - [**ggeut**]

Republic of Korea 대한민국 - [**dea-han-min-guk**]

Seoul 서울; Busan 부산; Gwangju 광주; Inchoen 인천; Gimpo 김포

Monday 월 - [**wol**]; Tuesday 화 - [**hwa**]; Wednesday 수 - [**su**]; Thursday 목 - [**mok**]; Friday 금 - [**geum**]; Saturday 토 - [**to**]; Sunday 일 - [**il**].

The beautiful land of Korea, far and wide. 삼천리 금수강산 - [**samcheonli geumsu kangsan**]

God 하나님 - [**ha-na-nim**]

Courtyard or Garden 마당 - [**Madang**]

Life 생명 - [**seang-myung**]; Justice 정의 - [**jung-eui**], Peace 평화 - [**pyeong-hwa**]

God of life, lead us to justice and peace. 생명의 하나님, 정의와 평화로 저희를 이끄소서 - [**seang-myung-eui ha-na-nim, jung-eui-wa pyeong-hwa-ro ju-heoi-reul i-ggeoi-so-seo**].

LIFE AT THE ASSEMBLY

Assembly team

A team of over 500 WCC staff, stewards, co-opted staff, interpreters, Korean host committee staff and volunteers have come together to make the assembly a success. The team is on hand to care for and help all participants find their way in the assembly.

Information desk

The information desk can be found in the *madang* hall on the left-hand side as you enter the hall. The information desk might not have all the answers to your questions, but it is the best place to ask. A satellite information desk can be found at the main entrance to the Auditorium (street-side).

Registration

When you arrived at the airport in Busan or at the information desk in the *madang* hall, you were registered for the assembly. At registration you were given a sheet of paper called “Registration Confirmation.” It tells you in what capacity you are registered, what Bible study group you are in, what ecumenical conversation you are attending and your weekend programme assignment. If your departure details, such as date, flight time; or your contact details, such as email, are not correct, please inform the information desk in the *madang* hall.

Name badge

Each participant was given a name badge to wear for identification and security. Please wear your name badge at all times when you are at BEXCO.

To facilitate assembly business, name badges are colour-coded to identify member church delegates (blue), who have the responsibility to participate in decision-making; to identify official participants (green), who have the right to speak when recognized; purple for accredited media; yellow for staff; and other participants (no colour). For more information on decision-making procedures, see “guidelines for the conduct of meetings” in the *Programme Book*.

BEXCO

The assembly takes place at the Busan exhibition and conference center or BEXCO. All assembly events take place here. BEXCO has three main parts – an Auditorium, the Convention hall and the Exhibition halls – see the assembly map on the back cover.

Auditorium

Thematic plenaries take place in the auditorium. There is open seating, with sections reserved for delegates and official participants, for assembly participants, for local participants and for wheelchair access. An overflow space will be announced if needed.

Convention hall

The convention hall is located between the auditorium and the exhibition halls. The convention hall hosts the pre-assembly events, Bible study groups, ecumenical conversations, regional meetings, confessional meetings and *madang* workshops. The ballroom is on the third floor. The APEC hall is on the second floor.

Worship hall

The worship hall is located in the BEXCO exhibition halls. All prayer services take place here, including the gathering prayer, morning prayer, evening prayer, Taizé prayer (31 October), evening prayer with Korean churches (6 November) and the sending prayer. Seating is open.

Madang hall

The *madang* hall hosts over 90 Korean and international exhibitions, encounter spaces and a stage for special performances. You will find the assembly bookstore, information desk, host committee desk and Lee Convention desk for tours and services. The *madang* hall opens on 30 October and will be open from 9:15 to 19:30 every day. It is closed on Saturday and Sunday. For a list of things you will find in the *madang* hall, see pp. 83-85.

Business hall

The business hall is where assembly business sessions and elections take place and where committee reports are presented. The hall is open to all participants. Designated seating is reserved for delegates and other official participants. Member church delegations are seated together at tables, including delegates, advisors to delegations and outgoing members of the central committee. Delegated representatives, delegated observers and advisors are also seated at tables. Seating areas are reserved for observers, guests, accredited media and assembly participants. The business hall will be closed on Saturday and Sunday.

Interpretation equipment

Simultaneous interpretation is available for events in the auditorium, ballroom and business hall. Each time you enter one of these locations, please

take a headset. Each time you leave one of these locations, please leave your headset. Do not take the headset with you.

Accessibility at BEXCO

The assembly was planned in cooperation with the Ecumenical Disabilities Advocacy Network (EDAN). The venue is handicap accessible, with elevators to every floor, reserved seating for wheelchair users and ramps on every stage for easier accessibility. If you would like to speak to the members of the EDAN network, stop by the *madang* hall to visit. If you have a special need, please see the information desk in the *madang* hall.

Recycling and care for the environment

Korea, in general, and BEXCO are very environmentally conscious. All material placed in the rubbish bins at BEXCO is sorted to maximize recycling. You will find paper recycling stations in most of the BEXCO venues, such as the auditorium, worship hall, *madang* hall and business hall. Please follow the indications in your hotel with regard to water and linens.

Transportation to and from BEXCO

The assembly is conveniently housed in three neighbourhoods – Centum City, Marine City and Haeundae Beach. Shuttle busses bring participants to and from BEXCO each morning and evening according to the schedule published at your hotel.

Lee Convention, the professional conference organizer for the Busan assembly, manages the daily transportation. Each hotel is served by a bus route identified with a colour and a letter. You will quickly learn your “route.” There is a shuttle service during the day if you need to return to your hotel.

The transportation centre at BEXCO is located at the street near the business hall. See the assembly map on the back cover.

Getting around Busan on your own

Greater Busan is a large urban metropolis comprised of many neighbourhoods and connected by an excellent subway system. There are many ways to explore the city, but the distances are too far to walk from one place to another. Check the city map.

The BEXCO subway station, below the venue, is only a few stops from the Haeundae Beach subway station.

You may wish to take a taxi at your own expense. They can be found around BEXCO, at hotels or outside restaurants. When taking a taxi to your hotel use the “business card” of your hotel to indicate where you wish to go.

If you take a taxi to a restaurant, ask your hotel reception to write the name and address of the restaurant on a piece of paper for your taxi driver.

Meals – breakfast, lunch and dinner

All participants are responsible for the cost of their meals. Breakfast, lunch and dinner are taken in public restaurants in and around BEXCO or near the hotels. Participants are staying in three different neighbourhoods – Centum City, Marine City and Haeundae Beach. The publication *Busan Now* contains the restaurant guide that provides many suggestions, locations and prices estimates. Please explore the Korean food in your neighbourhood. It is delicious.

If you have food allergies, please visit the information desk for an allergy card to use at restaurants.

Breakfast can be taken at your hotel or a nearby coffee shop. The cost of breakfast is not included in the price of the room and will be an additional charge. Hotel breakfast is normally buffet style. A buffet breakfast in your hotel may cost up to 30 US\$. Breakfast in a nearby shop can cost 10 US\$.

Coffee and tea, hosted by local churches, are available each morning and afternoon in the BEXCO hallways outside the rooms being used that day. In an effort to reduce waste, please use and re-use your assembly thermos for coffee and tea. The assembly thermos is sponsored by the Ecumenical Water Network.

Water dispensers are located throughout BEXCO. They serve cold and hot water.

Lunch can be taken at the restaurants in the basement of BEXCO, at the department stores across the street or in the many restaurants in Centum City just a few blocks away. There is a two-hour break for lunch to explore the neighbourhood with friends from the assembly.

There are food courts in the basements of the department stores and restaurants on the upper floors. There are outdoor gardens on the top of the department stores and the BEXCO auditorium. Many restaurants are on the second or third floors of buildings, so look up for food. See the restaurant guide, *Busan Now*, for more information.

Dinner can be taken near your hotel at one of the many restaurants in your neighbourhood. See the restaurant guide, *Busan Now*, for more information. Suggestions and directions are available at the assembly information desk in your hotel.

If you would like to book a special dinner or evening event, please see the information desk or Lee Convention in the *madang* hall.

Medical assistance

If you require medical assistance at your hotel, please contact the reception desk immediately. If you are at BEXCO and need medical assistance, please visit the Ilsin Hospital medical team in the BEXCO infirmary in room 3 near the auditorium. The Ilsin Hospital doctors and nurses will help you. If more urgent care is needed, they will transfer you to a nearby hospital.

The medical care is sponsored by the Ilsin Hospital in Busan. Ilsin Hospital was founded by Australian missionaries in 1952. Today it is an independent Christian hospital providing every type of treatment. It is a leading Korean hospital for obstetrics, neo-natal care and midwifery. Visit www.ilsin.or.kr for more information.

Pharmacy

Ask your hotel reception desk for the pharmacy nearest your hotel. There is a pharmacy located on the first floor of Homeplus (across the street from the BEXCO Auditorium).

Safety

Busan is a safe place, and the local police are taking special care of the assembly participants.

When crossing the street, especially around BEXCO, always use the public crosswalk. Please use underground crossings when going from BEXCO to the department stores across the street.

When walking in your neighbourhood, during the day or at night, always go with a group. Avoid walking alone – especially at night. Never carry large amounts of money. Keep your credit cards and passport in a secure place. Carry your purse close to your chest and do not put your wallet in your pocket. Do not wear expensive jewelry and watches when walking on the streets.

Currency exchange

If you did not change money at the airport, you may change money at your hotel or at the Busan Bank in the basement of BEXCO. You can also withdraw Korean won using credit cards in the automatic banking machines in BEXCO.

Internet

WIFI is available almost everywhere – in hotels, coffee shops, restaurants and at BEXCO. Hotels either offer service in your room, lobby or have business centres where you can access the internet. The WIFI signal at BEXCO is strongest in the *madang* hall.

Messages

If you would like to leave a message for someone staying in your hotel, leave your message with the hotel reception desk. If you have a message for a participant not staying at your hotel, you can leave it at the information centre in the *madang* hall. Messages for large groups of people cannot be delivered. There will be a message board at the information desk. If your name is on the board, there is a message for you. If your name is not on the board, there is no message for you.

Photocopying

There is a commercial photocopy shop in BEXCO near the *madang* hall. If you need photocopies or other services, please use this or the business centre in your hotel.

Post office

You can mail letters and post cards at your hotel reception desk. There is a post office in Centum City located on the first floor of Centum Q building near Homeplus.

Telephone

Your mobile phone should function in Busan if you have an international plan. Phone rentals are available at airports, as mentioned earlier.

If you are having difficulty to operate your mobile phone you can ask for help from the information desk or host committee in *madang* hall.

There are public phones in Bexco. Pre-paid calling cards are available at convenience stores and news stands.

Travel and ticket reconfirmation

If your ticket was purchased by the WCC through Raptim Travel, please reconfirm your departure at the Raptim Travel desk in the *madang* hall (at the information desk).

Shopping

There are three department stores across the street from BEXCO, including the largest department store in the world. There are also shopping centres in Haeundae Beach.

Tourism

If you are interested in a city tour or more information on Busan and Korea, stop by the Busan Pavilion and the KNTTO desk in the *madang* hall.

WCC bookstore and café

The WCC bookstore is located just inside the *madang* hall. It features a café and a discussion area, as well as the store itself. In partnership with the Christian Literature Society of Korea, it offers for sale a wide range of WCC and CLSK publications and resource documents, as well as books from other publishers. Browsers are welcome. The shop also sells assembly souvenirs, including t-shirts, pens, mugs and other items. Payment can be made in Korean won and by credit card. Watch for announcements of book-related events and book signings.

WCC exhibition

A WCC exhibition is located near the entrance to the *madang* hall. The exhibition features the work of the WCC through the rubrics of unity, mission, public witness, service, ecumenical education and partnerships. The area also offers further information about the programmatic activities of the WCC, especially since the last assembly in Porto Alegre in 2006.

WCC communications

The WCC communication team provides daily coverage of the assembly in text and images in English, French, German, Spanish and Korean. News releases, interviews, features and photos are distributed worldwide and published on the assembly website. Each day, live web-casts of the thematic plenaries and short video-clips of assembly life are made available. All assembly documents are released on the website at the time of the plenary presentation. An assembly newspaper, in English with some Korean and other languages, is distributed each morning.

Visit the assembly website for more information and to download the assembly smart phone application: <http://wcc2013.info/en>.

WCC and KHC offices

The WCC and Korean Host Committee (KHC) offices are located in the exhibition hall meeting rooms on the second and third floor. See the list of office locations on page 90.

WCC finance office

The WCC finance office can be found on the second floor of the exhibition halls in room 258A (organizers office). If you did not pay your registration fee, please visit the finance office to do so. The open office hours are: 10:00 to 11:45 and 12:30 to 18:00, except on Sunday. Any changes will be posted on the door.

Press and media

Over 100 international journalists and dozens of national correspondents, including print, television and radio professionals, are accredited at the assembly. The WCC also has its own team of writers. All these communicators are partners in sharing the assembly story with a much broader public. Please make yourself available if a journalist approaches you for an interview, a comment or a picture. It is your opportunity to share your message with other committed Christians and the general public all over the world. The WCC media relations office in the *madang* hall is available at any time to assist you in handling media requests. Daily press conferences and briefings, live streaming of the assembly, a daily newspaper and posted videos are arranged by WCC media staff. Please don't hesitate to contact WCC media relations staff if you have any question or concern.

Pastoral care and solidarity support

An international group of participants have agreed to serve as pastoral counsellors to the assembly. If for any reason you would like to talk with one of these persons, you can find the pastoral care team in office 5 near at the main entrance to the Auditorium.

In the assembly *Programme Book* you will find the policy document "When Christian Solidarity Is Broken." The text describes some of the interpersonal complexities we encounter in the midst of the assembly's great diversity. It also states that "sexual harassment and all forms of violence will not be tolerated or condoned" at World Council of Churches events. If for any reason you would like to speak with someone about any situation, you can find support in office 5 near the main entrance to the auditorium.

ASSEMBLY VENUES

Activities and services in BEXCO

Activities and Services	Location
Banking facilities	BEXCO basement
Bible Study group locations	See p. 86
Central committee meeting	Business hall
Coffee and tea	Hall ways outside meeting rooms
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Confessional meeting locations	See pp. 87-88
Consensus procedures advice table	Business hall
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Emergency numbers	
– Police	112
– Fire	119
– assembly emergency number	+82 51 711 0042
Medical services	Mobile unit outside BEXCO
Nursing Room	Auditorium – room n°6
Pastoral care team	Auditorium – room n°5
Photocopying (paid service)	BEXCO outside <i>madang</i> hall
Plenary (Thematic)	Auditorium
Plenary (Business)	Business hall
Post office	Centum Q building near Homeplus
Prayer (Morning)	Worship hall
Prayer (Evening)	Worship hall
Prayer (Gathering and Sending)	Worship hall
Regional Meetings	See p. 89
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Madang hall

Madang exhibitions and encounter spaces A to Z
ACT Alliance
All Africa Conference of Churches
Alliance of Filipino Migrant Workers organisations in Korea
Anglican Church in Korea – art exhibit
Art for Climate Justice – art exhibit
Art Recycled – art exhibit
Association of Interchurch Families
Atelier Kochana - art exhibit
Baekseok University
Busan Host Committee
Busan Tourism Pavilion
Centre for Gender and Sexuality Studies in Theology and Ministry of Jakarta Theological Seminary
Centro de Estudios Euméricos, A.C.
Children’s space – encounter space
China Christian Council
Churches’ Network for Non-violence
Churches Responding to Disasters: Japan and Aotearoa New Zealand
Church of Cyprus
Christian Conference of Asia
Christian Peacemaker Teams
Dong Myeun Church – sculpture exhibit
Ecumenical Accompaniment Programme in Palestine and Israel - encounter space
Ecumenical Advocacy Alliance
Ecumenical Disabilities Advocacy Network space - encounter space
Ecumenical Pharmaceutical Network
Ecumenical Training Centre of the National Council of Churches in Korea
Ecumenical Water Network – The Blue Pavilion and Oasis
Ecumenical Women’s Group
European Forum of LGBT Christian Groups
Evangelisches Missionswerk in Deutschland (EMW)
Global Christian Forum
Gobal Network of Religions for Children

<i>Madang</i> exhibitions and encounter spaces A to Z
Globethics.net
God of life, lead us to justice and peace – art installation
Habitat for Humanity International
Handwritten Scripture
Indigenous Peoples space - encounter space
Inn-SPIRE (Space for inter-religious encounter)
International Association of Women Ministers
International Institute for Religious Freedom
1923 Kanto Korea-Japan Citizens' Association in Japan and Korea
Korean Association of Women Theologians
Korean Host Committee for the WCC 10th Assembly
The Korean Council for the Women Drafted by Japan for Military Sexual Slavery
Korea National Tourism Organization
Korean Christian Association Organisation
Korean Christian Network for World Without Nuclear Weapons and Nuclear Power
Korea Church Environment Movement Solidarity
Korean Conference of Religions for Peace
Lutheran World Federation and the LWF Center Wittenberg
<i>Madang</i> Meeting Rooms 1&2
Maimed – DanChurchAid – photo exhibit
Oikoumene GPS -Médias-pro
Mine Detection Carpet - DanChurchAid
National Coalition of Christian Organizations in Palestine
National Organisation of the Korean Presbyterian Women
Orthodox Metropolis of Korea
Pacific Conference of Churches
Painting Justice and Peace! – art mural
Peace Train Committee
Performance stage – drama, music and cultural performances
Presbyterian Church in Taiwan Youth Ministry Committee
The Presbyterian Church in the Republic of Korea (PROK) Peace Community Movement
Press centre - media and press conferences
Radio station

Madang exhibitions and encounter spaces A to Z
Reformed Church Bern-Jura-Solothurn/Switzerland
Registration-information desk (including lost and found, room reservations, flight confirmation)
Solidarity with Dalits for Justice and Dignity
Lead us to Justice and Peace - Step by step! – labyrinth
TV Studio
우물가 UMULGA-SHe-Space for gender justice - encounter space
UNHCR – The UN Refugee Agency – photo exhibit
Urban Industrial Mission-COREA
WCC Exhibit, Bookstore and Café (including souvenirs, assembly newspaper)
Women Migrants Human Rights Centre of Korea/ Asan Migrant Workers Centre
World Association for Christian Communication
World Crosses (Saekdong Methodist Church)
World Student Christian Federation
World YWCA
Youth: Justice and Peace tent - encounter space
And much more – come and see

Pre-assembly events

Pre-Assembly Event	Location	Room
WCC executive committee meeting	Convention hall	104-105
Pre-assembly for a community of women and men	Convention hall	Ballroom
Youth pre-assembly	Convention hall	205
Indigenous People’s pre-assembly	Convention hall	106-107
Ecumenical Disability Advocates Network (EDAN) pre-assembly	Convention hall	101-102

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German Bible Study Group 01	Convention hall	204
Indonesian Bible Study Group 01	Convention hall	205
Korean Plenary Bible Study	Convention hall	Ballroom
English Plenary Bible Study	Worship hall	

Assembly committees

Committee	Location	Room
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Ecumenical conversations

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EC-04 Moral Discernment for life, justice and peace	Convention hall	103
EC-05 We must pray together if we are to stay together	Convention hall	104
EC-06 Developing effective leadership: contextual ecumenical formation and theological education	Convention hall	105
EC-07 Together towards life: mission in changing contexts	Business hall	*
EC-08 Evangelism today: new ways for authentic discipleship	Convention hall	106

Ecumenical conversation	Location	Room
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EC-10 Exploring Christian self-identity in a world of many faiths	Convention hall	108
EC-11 Bonded with the marginalized for a just and inclusive church and world	Convention hall	109
EC-12 A call to ecological justice and peace in the face of climate change	Convention hall	110
EC-13 Economy of life: Overcoming greed to eradicate poverty	Auditorium	**
EC-14 Human security: sustaining peace with justice and human rights	Convention hall	201
EC-15 The way of just peace: building peace together	Convention hall	207
EC-16 Religions working together for peace and freedom	Convention hall	202
EC-17 The Korean peninsula: ecumenical solidarity for justice and peace	Convention hall	Ballroom ***
EC-18 "Middle East": whose justice, what peace?	Convention hall	203
EC-19 Churches' advocacy for children's rights	Convention hall	208
EC-20 Ecumenical health and healing ministries	Convention hall	204
EC-21 Compelled to serve: diakonia and development in a rapidly changing world	Convention hall	101

*Languages Offered:** *English, French, Indonesian, Korean, Spanish*** *English, French, Korean**** *English, German, Korean*

Confessional meetings

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Baptist	Convention hall	203
Brethren	Convention hall	104
Disciples	Convention hall	204
Evangelical	Convention hall	102
Friends	Convention hall	101
Lutheran	Convention hall	Ballroom
Mar Thoma	Convention hall	107
Mennonites	Convention hall	109
Methodist	Business hall	
Moravian	Convention hall	103
Old Catholic	Convention hall	105
Orthodox	Convention hall	205
Pentecostal	Convention hall	106
Reformed	Auditorium	
Roman Catholic	Convention hall	108

Regional meetings

Region	Location	Room
Africa	Convention hall	Ballroom
Asia	Auditorium	
Caribbean	Convention hall	201
Europe	Business hall	
Latin America	Convention hall	202
Middle East	Convention hall	203
North America	Convention hall	205
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Offices

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Busan Host Committee	<i>Madang</i> hall	
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Floor Management	Organizers office	262a
Information centre	<i>Madang</i> hall	
Information Technology	Organizers office	264
Korea Host Committee	Meeting room	217
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Meeting Rooms Management	Organizers office	252
Pastoral Care	Auditorium	Office 5
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Stewards	Auditorium	Dressing room
Volunteers	Meeting room	218
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MADANG WORKSHOPS

Workshop descriptions and locations

Monday, 4 November, 2013 Time: 14:15-15:45

The Many Faces of Global Pentecostalism (WS101)

*International Pentecostal Holiness Church
Convention hall 101*

Description: Media headlines about global Pentecostalism are often misleading at best. This workshop is intended to empower people from around the world within this community to testify to ways in which they bring to life the prayer “God of life, lead us to justice and peace.” Particular attention will be given to Palestine, China, Ghana, and Chile.

Stop Climate Change Now! Save Peoples’ Environment and Livelihoods! (WS111)

*United Evangelical Mission, Communion of Churches
in Three Continents
Convention hall 102*

Description: Since 2008, member churches in the United Evangelical Mission have given special attention to climate justice and environmental protection. Churches in the UEM Asia, Africa and Europe have developed or rediscovered their contextual creation theologies and spirituality. Furthermore, through ecumenical team visits they have assessed the impact of climate change, environmental destruction and the exploitation of natural resources on peoples’ lives, especially those who are most vulnerable. This workshop will explore the results of work in this area.

Threats and Challenges of Globalization (WS119)

Conference of European Churches and Latin American Council of Churches

Convention hall 103

Description: The impact of economic globalization has emerged as one of the more controversial points on the ecumenical agenda in recent years. Given their diverse experiences, the Conference of European Churches and the Latin American Council of Churches initiated a dialogue between churches from both continents addressing threats and challenges of globalization based on their respective experiences, concerns and engagements. The workshop will bring participant witnesses on a common journey of European and Latin American churches from 2009 to 2012. The workshop will outline different realities in Europe and Latin America, difficulties and critical moments of the dialogue, as well as trust-building and achievements of the process.

Christian Minorities in Asia and Interreligious Dialogue: Life at the Margins (WS130)

Washington Theological Consortium

Convention hall 104

Description: In Asia, Christians live in the shadow of Hinduism, Islam and Buddhism. While such minority status has its drawbacks, especially in the context of a resurgence of religious fundamentalism, it also provides opportunities for interfaith conversation and engagement for life. This workshop first takes stock of the real-life situation of Christians in such minority settings. It then examines the agenda of such religious minorities within locations of growing religious fundamentalism. Finally, this workshop explores resources that such marginal communities provide for interreligious dialogue on our common journey toward life.

How to Convert the Private Sector (WS135)

ICCO

Convention hall 105

Description: This workshop will foster conversation among those delegates working with or interested in working with the private sector on how to implement the United Nations Guiding Principles (UNGP) on Business and Human Rights.

Orthodox Theology of Mission and the Global Demand for Justice and Peace (WS162)

*Volos Academy for Theological Studies
Convention hall 106*

Description: This workshop of the Volos Academy for Theological Studies is intended to discuss crucial aspects of Orthodox Theology of mission within the current global and ecumenical context. The workshop will familiarize the participants with new trends in Orthodox theology and concentrate upon their ecumenical and pastoral dynamics.

Spirituality of Resistance and Solidarity: A World without Empire (WS167)

*Peace for Life, Oikotree, National Council of Churches in the Philippines
Convention hall 107*

Description: The workshop will serve as a space for participants to share and sharpen analysis of current geopolitical developments and the challenges that they pose to the attainment of genuine peace and justice. The worsening multiple crises have pushed the empire to further intensify its militarism and war in hopes of reviving its declining economy – keeping its forces in the Middle East and now paying special attention to Asia. It is thus incumbent on faith communities and people rooted in struggles for justice to forge solidarities, draw strength from and nurture courage in one another; engage in analysis, discourse, advocacy and mobilization for the task of dismantling global hegemony and patriarchal rule; and build in its place life-giving structures and systems grounded on the imperatives of justice and peace.

Learning to Live in Multifaith Europe (WS169)

*Armenian Orthodox Church, Holy See of Cilicia
Convention hall 108*

Description: This workshop will examine how the European Project for Interreligious Learning has pioneered a pedagogy that can help Christian women, together with women of different faith traditions, to deal with cultural, social and religious differences, especially those that might cause tensions or conflicts in living together. It enables women of diverse cultures and religions to get a much clearer picture both of the “other” and of themselves and of the ways their identities are shaped by different histories and assumptions about life and faith.

World Christianity and Our Ecumenical Future (WS174)

Global Christian Forum
Convention hall 109

Description: The centre of world Christianity has moved decisively to the global South and also toward the East. One out of every four Christians in the world today is Pentecostal or charismatic. We are witnessing the development of a post-Christian West, and the dramatic growth of non-Western Christianity. New divisions are arising in world Christianity, which are geographical, theological, institutional, and generational. All this creates major challenges for the search for Christian unity. This workshop will engage participants in reflective dialogue over the meaning of these trends for the World Council of Churches, the Global Christian Forum, and other ecumenical initiatives.

Ecumenical Perspectives on Global Development Goals? (WS181)

Bread for All
Convention hall 110

Description: For 20 years, the international community has been trying to help the concept of sustainable development to break through, with meagre results. Currently at the international level, there is discussion of what overall objectives are to replace the UN Millennium Development Goals after 2015. For the ecumenical movement there are fundamental questions to pose and explore in this workshop: What does sustainability mean in the ecumenical context? What specific tasks do the churches and aid agencies undertake to contribute to a more equitable, sustainable and pluralistic world in the future? Are there something like Ecumenical Development Goals that can be formulated to complete the global goals of the UN?

The God Monologues (WS182)

United Church of Canada
Convention hall 201

Description: What do young adults outside the church have to say to the church? What does it mean to be “spiritual but not religious”? In a study funded by the United Church of Canada, statements were collected from over 400 young adult Canadians who seek peace and justice but express their spirituality outside organized religion. Young adults within the

church have collated these statements into scripts, protecting the anonymity of individual respondents, and developed the scripts into live theatre and video presentations. The workshop will present the research design, summarize the findings, and present some of the videos.

Walking with Indigenous Peoples to End Global Apartheid (WS208)

*Mennonite Central Committee Canada Indigenous Work Programme
Convention hall 202*

Description: In 2012 the WCC central committee adopted a statement denouncing the Doctrine of Discovery, a body of law and policy that hurts indigenous peoples around the globe. Since 2009, many WCC member churches have demonstrated friendship with indigenous peoples by adopting policies that repudiate the doctrine. This workshop will reveal the impact of the doctrine by sharing case studies of indigenous peoples around the globe. It will further explore how the WCC and member denominations can join indigenous peoples who seek to dismantle the laws and policies that, for generations, have enforced a brutal form of apartheid.

The Healing Power of Faith-Language (WS195)

*National Council of Churches of Christ in the USA
Convention hall 203*

Description: This workshop explores how a healing mission expresses itself in the power of language to create welcoming and inclusive communities. In baptism, the church is called to be such a community. Participants will hear and share stories about the power of faith language. Participants will explore the use of expansive language as a tool of welcome. The workshop will envision the role of faith language in engagement in mission as healing and wholeness, and provide practical tools and strategies to enhance churches as welcoming and inclusive communities

Asian Theological Education: Ecumenical Encounter in Struggling Lives (WS215)

*Asian Forum for Theological Education in Asia
Madang Meeting Room 1*

Description: The Asian Forum on Theological Education (AFTE) is an ecumenical platform for national and regional associations of theological schools in Asia. It promotes dialogue on contextual Asian theologies and caste, gender and indigenous contextual issues, as well as quality assurance, accreditation and recognition of degrees in theological education across the different denominational and national systems of affiliation. This workshop will introduce some of the results of the three workshops of AFTE held since 2010, particularly the last joint conference with WOCATI in Torch Trinity Divinity School, South Korea, in 2013, and will invite further networking on theological education in the Asian region.

Walking Together in Hope for Palestine and Israel (WS237)

*Norwegian Church Aid, Christian Council of Norway
and Church of Norway
Convention hall 205*

Description: This workshop will present how the Ecumenical Accompaniment Programme in Palestine and Israel (EAPPI) has been a useful instrument for churches around the world to participate in the search for a just peace in the Palestine-Israel conflict, through protection and advocacy. The workshop will present “success” stories to show how the presence of Ecumenical Accompaniers reduces or prevents human rights violations and how systematic advocacy work is helping churches to rethink their position vis-à-vis the conflict.

Troubled Waters: Accompanying Communities in Conflict Situations (WS238)

*Ecumenical Water Network
Convention hall 206*

Description: Since ancient times, water has been a source of conflict, given its primordial importance for life and the growth of civilizations and as a source and sign of prosperity. The book of Genesis describes such a “quarrel” between the ancient Israelites and the Philistines (Genesis 26:12–22). Today, conflicts over water, land, and other natural resources are increasing because of population growth, changing lifestyles, and climate change. It is

the poorest and most vulnerable whose lives and livelihoods are most at risk when their sources of water run dry, become polluted, or turn into sources of conflict and objects of competition. Yet water is also a uniting force, and water conflicts can be turned into signs of hope, if nonviolent solutions are sought. This workshop will explore different kinds of conflicts and what churches can do to promote just peace in these situations.

Life-Affirming Communities (WS243)

Council for World Mission

Convention hall 207

Description: Participation in God's mission takes shape in the life and witness of our local churches. How can they be more effective as agents of mission? The Council for World Mission in its work with its members is focussing on the development of missional congregations, understanding them as life-affirming communities that are engaged with society and with the Bible, living out their faith in expressions of solidarity and prophetic witness, sustained by a spirituality of hope. This workshop will introduce participants to the approach and methods we are using as a tool for responding to the assembly theme and the WCC's new affirmation, *Together towards Life: Mission and Evangelism in Changing Landscapes*.

Korean Traditional Music Worship and Ecumenical Spirituality (WS249)

Hyanglin Church

Convention hall Ballroom

Description: Hyanglin Church (est. 1953) is unique in South Korea, because for 20 years it has adapted Korean traditional melodies in worship. Hyanglin Church has published its own proprietary traditional hymn book of 236 songs and worshipped with its own Korean traditional musical instruments. This workshop will introduce participants to Korean Christian spirituality through its own native melodies. Further, Hyanglin Church seeks to form a connection with ecumenical churches through the participants' learning and adopting their interpretation of this spirituality in their own services.

Churches Respond to Violence against Women (WS252)

National YWCA in Korea

Business hall

Description: Violence against women is a matter of concern globally, especially as it affects negatively whole Christian communities. This workshop will share examples and experiences for preventing violence against women and discuss the role of the church in addressing this issue.

Co-Existence with Neighbouring Religions (WS253)

Korean Conference of Religions for Peace

Convention hall 208

Description: This workshop will look at how Protestant Christianity has been established for over 100 years in Korea. The workshop will also explore how Protestantism has cooperated and coexisted with neighbouring religious traditions in Korea.

One Baptism (WS268)

Baptist World Alliance

Madang Meeting Room 2

Description: This workshop furthers the conversation raised by the Faith and Order Commission in its study text on *One Baptism: Towards Mutual Recognition*. *One Baptism* raises interrelated questions about the mutual recognition of baptism and ecclesial recognition, the consequences of putting mutual recognition fully into practice, and remaining issues that prevent such recognition.

Globalization and Catholicity (WS273)

Old Catholic Church in the Netherlands

Convention hall 204

Description: As a follow-up to the international conference on globalization and Catholicity, this workshop will explore the meaning of the marks of the church, as professed in the Nicene Creed, in the context of globalization. What does it mean to be one, holy, catholic and apostolic church in a continually globalizing world? The aim of the workshop is to see how, in the face of globalization, the churches could discover a shared understanding of catholicity.

Tuesday, 5 November, 2013

Time: 14:15-15:45

Rediscovering the God of Life: Radical Solidarity with Struggling Communities (WS113)

*National Council of Churches in India
Convention hall 101*

Description: The workshop aims to address issues emergent in the life situations and reflections of struggling communities in their ground-zero grassroots realities. The focus will be on the ongoing struggles of three communities: minority and excluded communities in Kashmir, the people's struggles against the proposed South Korean Mining Industry (POSCO) in Odisha, and the struggles against the Russian Collaborated Nuclear Power Plant in Kudankualm.

Ecumenical Dialogue: Seeking Consensus or Reconciling Theologies? (WS133)

*Johann-Adam-Moehler-Institute for Ecumenics
Convention hall 102*

Description: This workshop will reflect on the results and methods of interchurch dialogues over the past decade. The editors of the fourth volume of *Growth in Agreement* and its German equivalent *Dokumente wachsender Uebereinstimmung* share insights concerning the outcomes of the theological dialogues, which they edited in these volumes. This should provide an impulse for common reflections on the methods and aims of ecumenical dialogues. The workshop aims to elucidate the relevance of theological commissions for interchurch dialogues and to foster the importance of Faith and Order questions for the ecumenical movement.

Reconciliation, Religious Conflict and Religious Freedom (WS137)

*International Institute for Religious Freedom
Convention hall 103*

Description: This workshop will look at how, in very different contexts, interreligious cooperation for the sake of the common good and religious freedom is needed. In contexts with prevailing conflicts, particularly those where religion is an important factor, religious leaders should be seeking solutions for peace together. In contexts that have recently emerged from violent

conflict, the challenges are reconciliation, justice and restitution. Even in contexts where religious freedom prevails, it needs to be defined and defended in interreligious cooperation. Equally there is need to engage with secularists, to come to a common conviction that an open public square which gives equal space for contributions from adherents of any religion or none is beneficial to the common good.

Dialogue on Sexuality (WS148)

ICCO

Convention hall 104

Description: This workshop aims to broaden the common ground among clergy of diverse convictions regarding sexual orientation and biblical interpretation. The aim is to grapple dialogically at the intersection of faith and sexuality about human rights, homophobia, transphobia, discrimination, hate crimes, patriarchy, as well as differences in culture, traditions, background, race, and gender. Where is consensus and where parting of ways? Can we find enough common ground within our Christian faith to stand together against abuses, even while we differ deeply on how we read the Bible on sexuality and sexual orientation? The sharing of deep pain and the implications of silence or condoning of violence will be highlighted through documentaries and in-person real-life stories from all sides, not only sexual minorities, their parents, family or friends, but also clergy.

Just Peace and the Responsibility to Prevent Violence (WS160)

Bread for the World

Convention hall 105

Description: This workshop aims to explore experiences with prevention of violence at various levels. In numerous cases peace activists have successfully prevented the escalation of conflict into violent confrontation. At the same time, the international debate about the “Responsibility to Prevent” as part of the “Responsibility to Protect” seems to have stalled. What can be learned from experiences across the globe? Can experiences of practitioners revive the international discourse?

Complexity of Christian-Muslim Relations in Africa (WS161)

Programme for Christian-Muslim Relations in Africa
Convention hall 206

Description: Christian-Muslim relations in Africa are a complex phenomenon that requires in-depth knowledge of the dynamics that inform the traditions and their interaction. The workshop seeks to unravel the much-publicized violent conflicts in the northern part of Nigeria that seem to embody this complex relationship.

Just Peace in Burma (WS183)

American Baptist Churches, USA
Convention hall 107

Description: Since its independence in 1948, Burma, now Myanmar, has been embroiled in one of the longest-running civil wars among its myriad ethnic minority groups. It has been cited for consistent and systematic human rights violations, including genocide, systematic rape, child labour, slavery, human trafficking and lack of freedom of speech and religion. Ongoing conflicts include fighting in the Kachin state, the Rohyngas in Arakan state, Shan, Lahu and Karen ethnic groups. This workshop will look at the roots of the conflicts, contributions of ethnic Christians in peacemaking and the role of the international community in advocating for a just peace in Myanmar.

Nuclear Phaseout or a New Atomic Age? (WS186)

More Ecumenical Empowerment Together
Convention hall 108

Description: This workshop will offer a discussion on how nuclear power relates to political and ecological justice, justice among generations, and therefore to peace building. The workshop will seek to enable young people from various countries to hear and to learn from each other and to discuss how Christians can contribute to a public reconsideration of nuclear power in their own contexts.

Uniting Dreams (WS201)

*Convention of Philippine Baptist Churches and Church of Sweden
Convention hall 109*

Description: Let us dream together about unity! What does unity look like? What does peace look like? Do we need peace to reach unity? Do we need unity to reach peace? Think beyond obstacles of daily life and nurture your dreams and learn from others! Some elements of this workshop have been used in a number of congregations throughout Sweden to facilitate visionary thinking of what unity within churches and among churches might look like.

Media! (WS244)

*Mar Thoma Church
Convention hall 110*

Description: This workshop will explore the use of media (including social media) in relation to the general theme of the assembly, and how faith communities are sharing information and developing their own critical reflections around issues of life, justice and peace.

Where Are We regarding Sources of Authority in the Church? (WS218)

*Russian Orthodox Church
Convention hall 201*

Description: This workshop will share some of the findings about the role and function of various sources of authority in church traditions. Are we always accurate when speaking about the sources of authority? Are traditional sources still authoritative? Are there new sources, for example, scientific knowledge? What about Experience? Hierarchy? Magisterium? Land? The Holy Spirit?

Integral Development and Economic Solidarity (WS227)

*Akademie Solidarische Ökonomie; Instituto Politicas Alternativas para o Cone Sul (PACS)
Convention hall 202*

Description: Are there alternatives to the dominant form of globalization, especially alternatives in the spirit of an economy of life? This workshop will explore this question from the perspective of the Brazilian market economy.

Guns Are Silent: Where Are the Women? (WS233)

*Uganda Joint Christian Council
Convention hall 203*

Description: In the Karamoja Pastoralist Communities, the government has conducted a successful disarmament programme. Young men, however, who originally were warriors, have not found alternative livelihoods. Women in the community have assumed responsibility to lobby regional governments for their understanding of the peace commitments, to advocate for their effective implementation, and to monitor how youths are being rehabilitated. This is because the women realize that without alternative livelihoods for their sons or husbands, there is increased sexual and domestic violence. This workshop will show how simple rural women are empowered to take on not just local leadership but also regional governments and demand the right to participate in promoting peace and security in their communities.

Collaboration for the Integrity of Creation (WS235)

*Lothar-Kreyssig - Ecumenical Centre of the Evangelical Church
in Central Germany (Department of Environment and Development
Business hall*

Description: This workshop will explore commitment to the integrity of creation (in the areas of concrete energy conservation, procurement and environmental design community event) seen through the experience of seven churches in five European countries. The workshop will discuss the results of the ecumenical collaboration of churches of various countries in municipal environmental work.

Intergenerational Partnerships and Ecumenism in the 21st Century (WS242)

*World Student Christian Federation
Convention hall Ballroom*

Description: This workshop will look at young adults and ministry and at best practices for age-integrated communities. It will also explore intergenerational aspirations for ecumenism in the 21st century.

Refugees in Australia: Ecumenical Learnings, 1945-2013 (WS103)

Anglican Church of Australia, Diocese of Melbourne

Convention hall 206

Description: Since the formation of the WCC, Australia has received wave after wave of refugees and migrants. Their presence has transformed the face of Australia. This workshop will convey what has been learned, through the particular lens of the Melbourne-based Ecumenical Migration Centre of the Brotherhood of St Laurence. These learnings will invite a conversation with WCC delegates both from nations who receive refugees and those who have citizens fleeing as refugees. The key theme will be learning how, in the “God of life,” we can work better together for justice and peace.

Peace through Reconciliation (WS248)

The Fellowship with the Sufferers

Convention hall 205

Description: Since its founding in 1989, the Fellowship with the Sufferers has continued its ministry of reconciliation and peace based on Christian faith beyond the division of the Korean peninsula. In this workshop, “With Sufferers” will introduce its ministry of the last twenty years and create an opportunity for participants to meet and speak with former long-term prisoners of conscience.

Alternative Theological Education for Life-Enhancing Civilization (WS254)

Oikos Theology Movement in Korea

Convention hall 208

Description: Today’s global crises include economic, ecological, social, political, cultural and value crises. The Oikos Theological Movement is of the opinion that the traditional theological framework is inadequate for responding to today’s total global crisis, particularly the ecological crisis. This workshop will explore the need for a new and alternative framework for theological education based on relational cosmic worldviews, such as the concepts of *Ubuntu* from Africa and *Sangsaeng* from Asia.

The Feminization of Migration in Asia (WS256)

*Women Migrants Human Rights Centre of Korea,
Asan Migrant Workers Center
Convention hall 207*

Description: In the era of globalization, the feminization of migration is becoming a serious issue. In Asia alone, approximately 70 percent of the migrant population are women. Migration of women is a problem in both developing and developed countries, since the human rights of many of the migrants are violated in the arrival countries. This workshop approaches the problems faced by migrant women from the standpoint of feminist/womanist theology and from the perspectives of justice, peace, and life.

Dialogue of Theologies in the Struggle for Life: For a New Ecumenism (WS260)

*Bishop's College
Madang Meeting Room 1*

Description: This workshop is intended to offer new horizons for ecumenism by initiating an alternative conversation on what an affirmation of a God of life means for those who are denied life and dignity. It will do so by engaging in dialogue four theological voices that emerge from the concerns of the Dalits, people living with disabilities, indigenous peoples and theologies that are resisting racism.

Life, Free of Nuclear Power (WS272)

*Korean Christian Network for World without Nuclear Weapons and
Nuclear Power
Convention hall 204*

Description: Nuclear reactors in Japan and Korea are dangerously disaster-prone, as they are in the most densely populated countries in North East Asia, where there is also an ongoing danger of a nuclear arms race going out of control. Christians and other citizens in Japan, Korea and Taiwan are resisting the nuclear complex of power and weapons and working toward a world free of nuclear power and nuclear weapons. The workshop is intended to advance a theological and general discourse for peace for a world without nuclear complexes and to help form an Asian and global action network, in cooperation with already existing networks on similar issues.

Eco-Justice of Palestine (WS274)

*Environmental Education Center of the Evangelical Lutheran Church
in Jordan and the Holy Land*

Madang Meeting Room 2

Description: This workshop will be a presentation and discussion on the promotion and protection of the rights of Palestinians and their environment. The speakers will address the daily injustices of the occupation and the critical condition of the environment in the Holy Land. Water shortage, issues of solid-waste management and food sovereignty, are all pressing concerns for Palestinians. Addressing how these concerns affect the human population economically, culturally, and psychologically, the workshop will inform participants about eco-justice and foster a discussion on the necessity for international solidarity on this issue.

Wednesday, 6 November, 2013 Time: 14:15-15:45

Tackling Greed: The Worst Enemy of Justice (WS102)

Orthodox Academy of Crete

Convention hall 101

Description: The workshop is offered as a mutual reflection on what we believe is the worst enemy of justice- structural greed- which allows people to plunder nature and impoverish their neighbours. The goal is to demonstrate the links between poverty, wealth and ecology. Participants will get the opportunity to assess their individual greed index for the first time.

Question of Life, Justice and Peace for Minjung (WS105)

*Center for Dalit/Subaltern Studies and the Association of Minjung
Theologians*

Convention hall 102

Description: This workshop proposes to look at the theme “Justice, Peace and Life” from the perspective of Dalits and Minjungs and to explore related theological reflections. The workshop will underline the importance of the element of justice in theological reflection that is meant for oppressed communities in order to secure justice in all areas - social, religious, economic and political.

Migrant Labour Issues in the Arabian Gulf (WS108)

YMCA Gulf Region
Convention hall 103

Description: This workshop will address issues of migrant labour in the Arabian Gulf and the churches' response to the challenges.

Enhancing Peace with Justice: Life-Giving Agriculture (WS117)

Christian Conference of Asia
Convention hall 104

Description: In the midst of a global crisis caused by human desire resulting in over-production, over-consumption and over-use, conventional agriculture still promotes genetically modified and chemically developed collective agricultural methodologies. They cause problems not only with food safety but also with ecological safety of all creation. We are convinced that life-giving agriculture is God's way to enhance the sustainable Earth Life-Community that God has created, redeemed and sustained. In Asia there are peoples and groups who have been engaged in alternative agricultural movements for a sustainable future. This workshop will explore their work.

Hearing Many Voices for Justice and Peace (WS122)

World Association for Christian Communication
Convention hall 105

Description: Participants will explore the relevance of communication rights to the transformation of political, economic and social structures that prevent or stall improvements to the lives of poor, marginalized, excluded and dispossessed people. Presentations will highlight the role of civil society organizations, especially the churches, in promoting communication as a basic human right, essential to people's dignity and community. Topics to be covered include experiences of empowering people through communication to express their aspirations and needs, strengthening the voices of women, the democratization of the media, and the role of social media and digital platforms.

Kairos Global: Justice, Peace and Life (WS134)

Oikotree Movement

Convention hall 106

Description: All living beings are being endangered by a destructive human civilization based on unsustainable development. Churches, the ecumenical community and people of all faiths are challenged to respond to this total crisis through their prophetic theological witness to God-given life, peace, and justice. The workshop will be an ecumenical and interfaith space of solidarity for theological reflection on capitalism, empire and possible life-enhancing community, culture and economic systems.

Church Ethics and Advocacy on Arms Trade (WS140)

Christian Council of Sweden

Convention hall 107

Description: In April 2013, the United Nations General Assembly took a historic decision to regulate the global trade of conventional arms through the Arms Trade Treaty (ATT). This was a major success for churches and civil society groups that for over 10 years have been advocating for a strong and effective international treaty that saves lives and protects communities put at risk by the current arms trade. This workshop highlights lessons learned: How can churches help change international policy together? What are some characteristics of ‘advocacy competent’ churches and ministries? The workshop offers a creative space where church leaders, activists and participants share experience, inspiration and action examples drawn from a) the “Gothenburg Process” that engaged Christian organizations in ethical dialogue with arms manufacturers and decision-makers in Europe, Africa, Latin America and Asia since 2001; b) the WCC Ecumenical Campaign for a Strong and Effective Arms Trade Treaty that engaged churches and related organizations in 40 countries in public advocacy and ecumenical diplomacy with encouraging results.

Farming God’s Way and Reducing Food Waste (WS143)

Ecumenical Advocacy Alliance

Convention hall 108

Description: We face recurrent food crises, the impacts of climate change, an increasing world population, and rampant wastage of food in a world where almost one billion people still suffer chronic hunger. This workshop will seek to address the challenges of just and sustainable production and consumption

of food from the perspectives of Christian stewardship and human rights. It will introduce the concept and principles of “agro-ecology,” building on long-standing church-based support for smallholder-based “conservation agriculture.” It will challenge, on the basis of both science and ethics, the prevailing industrial-scale monocropping approach to increasing food production. And it will stress the priority of reducing the current outrageous and unacceptable levels of food waste.

Healing and Reconciliation: Essential Dimensions of the Churches’ Mission (WS145)

*DIFAEM Strategy Group on Health and Healing
Convention hall 109*

Description: With today’s alarming inequalities in health and with situations of conflict, the contribution of Christian churches to healing and reconciliation is strongly needed. Every day tens of thousands of men, women and children die of diseases that could be treated and even cured. In areas of conflicts, many people are traumatized and in need of care and accompaniment. It is therefore necessary to clearly identify and practice a Christian healing and reconciling ministry and to demonstrate ways in which Christian communities can contribute toward healing and reconciliation. In this workshop a holistic understanding of health, healing and reconciliation is introduced, and case studies are presented from the Democratic Republic of Congo and from Malawi.

Covenanting for Ecological Justice (WS158)

*Evangelical Mission in Solidarity, Protestant Church in Baden,
Presbyterian Church in the Republic of Korea
Convention hall 110*

Description: Ecological justice concerns everyone. It draws attention to threats to life but also to the promise of life in fullness. The commitment to a lifestyle and a subsistence strategy or economic system that preserves natural resources, to combating poverty, and to a positive vision of social justice and peace all go hand in hand. Together they are steps on our way to justice and peace. There are, however, conflicts of interest and priorities - in and between the global South and the global North, for example - that need to be taken seriously. Direct ecumenical partnerships between churches in different parts of the world are well suited to work together on these challenges.

Conversation with and among church experts from different contexts is equally important. The workshop will bring people from these different areas together.

Gender and Inter-Religious Dialogue (WS172)

*The Church of England
Convention hall 201*

Description: Too often Christian women have been actively prevented from engaging in inter-religious dialogue simply because they are women. This has sometimes been because they have not been welcomed by those of other faith traditions. But more often it is because Christian colleagues, or sometimes even the women themselves, have believed their presence to be inappropriate. Because of this, women's issues have often been sidelined in inter-religious dialogue. This workshop will present the lived experience of women, and some men, actively engaged in dialogue and use their case studies as a means of discerning a Christ-like nurturing of women's involvement in inter-religious dialogue.

What on Earth Did God Create? (WS176)

*Christian Faith and the Earth project
Convention hall 202*

Description: The theme "God of life" is connected to ecumenical debates on sustainability and to theological reflection on God's work of creation. What exactly is the question that creation theology addresses? Is the focus on whether the world was created, on how it was created, on what was created, on who created, or why it was created? The word *creation* may be understood as an interpretation of the world. If so, how do biblical images of God's creation compare with other descriptions of the world, e.g., as beautiful harmony, as inherently violent or predatory, as real estate or as something sublime?

Holistic Cooperation in Empowering the Marginalized (WS194)

*Ethiopian Evangelical Church
Convention hall 203*

Description: Ethiopian Evangelical Church Mekane Yesu (EECMY) has a long experience in outreach work in diverse environments. Through experience, EECMY realized that despite teaching about contextualization, empowerment and local leadership, patterns excluding minorities and marginalized

groups continued. To get better results, EECMY and the Finnish Evangelical Lutheran Mission created a method that involves the whole church structure in the learning-by-doing process. The cooperation includes sharing resources between north and south without creating dependency. Sharing experiences in all levels continuously improves the method, hopefully also in this workshop.

Microfinance and Poverty Eradication (WS205)

ECLOF International
Convention hall 204

Description: Eradication of poverty is at the heart of the ecumenical community's commitment to justice, to enable people to reach fullness of life. In this never-ending challenge, microfinance provides a proven means of addressing poverty by offering poor people access to financial services that enable them to build sustainable livelihoods and open up a path to self-reliance. We ask in this assembly for the God of life to lead us to justice, and this workshop provides a forum for assembly participants to actively engage with ECLOF International in understanding how microfinance in their communities can contribute to the eradication of poverty.

We Are Workers, Not Slaves: Justice for Migrants (WS188)

DanChurchAid
Convention hall 206

Description: The International Labour Organization estimates that there are 105 million migrant workers globally (2010). A typical migrant worker comes from a poor, rural, uneducated background. Migrant workers are often exploited by recruiters and can find themselves in extremely exploitative conditions. Cross-border migrants are especially vulnerable to the many diverse duty-bearers along the migration route, from sending locale to transition places to destination country. Based on examples from a five-year regional programme on safe migration with 20 partners across eight Asian and Gulf countries, this workshop will discuss: How can migrants' rights be safeguarded in a world of increasing cross-border mobility? What examples are there to learn from? And how can we cooperate better in effective support and advocacy?

Churches for Water and Human Rights: Challenges and Opportunities (WS239)

*Ecumenical Water Network
Convention hall 207*

Description: Churches throughout the world are committed to defending the rights and dignity of persecuted and socially marginalized communities, including by advocating for economic, social, and cultural human rights. This workshop will engage participants in a discussion of both the theological bases and the practice of human rights advocacy by the churches, highlighting the human right to water. The workshop will attempt to identify general lessons learned through ecumenical advocacy, particularly from the past experiences of the Ecumenical Water Network. It provides a platform for churches and other ecumenical partners to join hands and make their voices heard in support of the international recognition of basic access to drinking water and sanitation as a human right. It will also look at the specific challenges and opportunities for churches and their partners as the work on the right to water is now shifting from international recognition of these rights to their national and local implementation.

Korean Church and World Missions (WS250)

*Center for World Mission of Presbyterian College and Theological
Seminary
Auditorium*

Description: The Korean church was a missionary church from the beginning. When its Presbyterian General Assembly was organized in 1912, one of the seven ordained reverends was sent out as a missionary to the Shandong province, China. Mission has been an important factor of Korean church from the early days to the period of its growth. This workshop will introduce the current state of our world mission and present specific cases. Cooperative missions are most fitting examples of Korean church's world mission. The past cooperative mission to Shandong province, China, was the first of its kind, and the South Korea-Ghana-Germany trilateral mission is the latest.

Inter-Island Solidarity for Just Peace (WS257)

*The Frontiers, Save Our Seas
Convention hall 208*

Description: Since World War II, military expansion and militarization, largely by the U.S. military, has plagued many peaceful and beautiful islands throughout the world. This has led to conflicts and suffering on many islands, such as Okinawa, Hawaii, Diego Garcia, Spratly Islands, Falkland Islands, Jeju (Korea), and others. This workshop will share with those engaged in ongoing struggles and also hear from those, such as people in Vieques (Puerto Rico), the Philippines, and Aland (Finland), who have succeeded in removing unjust and destructive military bases or have successfully demilitarized. We want to develop solidarity among vulnerable islands and their peoples, for protecting their lands, cultures, and traditions, as well as to identify common strengths and resources for peace and just life.

SAVE Toolkit Training (WS258)

*International Network of Religious Leaders Living with or Affected by
HIV and AIDS
Convention hall Ballroom*

Description: INERELA+, in reaction to the conventional “ABC” model, developed and promotes the SAVE methodology for HIV prevention, awareness raising and education. This workshop will look at how the SAVE prevention methodology provides a more holistic way of preventing HIV transmission by incorporating the principles of “ABC” while providing additional information about HIV transmission and prevention; providing support and care for those people already living with HIV; and actively challenging the denial, stigma and discrimination so commonly associated with HIV.

Moving beyond Conflict (WS263)

*National Christian Council of Sri Lanka
Madang Meeting Room 1*

Description: The military defeat of the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam in 2009 signalled a new era for the people of Sri Lanka. The challenges, opportunities and obstacles have been many and multi-faceted in the postwar era. This workshop will bring out the issues of justice, peace, reconciliation and

healing from the concrete experiences of the Sri Lankan people. It will also spotlight the varied forms of involvement of the council in working with all ethnic communities--Sinhala, Tamil and Muslim--along with interfaith approaches and strategies with Buddhist, Hindu and Muslim communities.

The UN Recognition of Peace as a Human Right (WS265)

*Spanish Society for International Human Rights Law
Convention hall 205*

Description: On 5 July 2012, the HR Council adopted resolution 20/15 on “The promotion of the right to peace.” Welcoming the important work being carried out by civil society organizations for the promotion of the right to peace and their contribution to the development of this issue, the council established an open-ended working group. Its mandate: progressively negotiating a draft United Nations declaration on the right to peace on the basis of the draft submitted by the Advisory Committee, and without prejudging relevant past, present and future views and proposals. This workshop will analyze with the codification process of the human right to peace.

Overcoming Youth Unemployment and Poverty (WS270)

*Ecumenical Youth Council in Korea
Business hall*

Description: Being mindful of the phenomenon of tremendous youth joblessness amid rapidly aging populations, this workshop will explore the inevitable issues that are faced by communities. Although these are vivid around the globe, the same are especially concentrated in the North-East Asian Region. How can we address youth unemployment?

Thursday, 7 November, 2013**Time: 14:15-15:45****Fullness and Dignity of Life (WS246)***Ecumenical Disabilities Advocacy Network
Convention hall 101*

Description: A just and peaceful world is inclusive of all people living in that world. Yet people with disabilities often live on the outermost edge of society. Whether physically displaced, discriminated against, or socially marginalized, people with disabilities are often among those at society's lowest level. Once given the most elementary support for improving their health, education and safe surroundings, however, people with disabilities have no need to stay on the edge of survival. This workshop will broaden awareness of these issues.

Gospel and Popular Culture (WS112)*United Evangelical Mission
Convention hall 102*

Description: Facebook, mobile phones, pop music, football, telenovelas... and the questions of a young urban theologian: "Is it possible to bring together the deep theological reasoning that I cherish with the culture of my milieu and generation that I love just as much? Rock music *and* the Bible? Cocktails *and* prayer? Hip fashion *and* social justice?" This workshop will introduce material developed by an international group that helps individuals and congregations to recognize the Holy Spirit at work in cultural changes, evaluate their own church life and develop their own ways of being church within popular culture.

Community Soundings: Giving Voice to Community Lament (WS120)*International Rural Churches Association
Convention hall 103*

Description: Across the globe, rural communities face many challenges (exploitive governmental or business practices, unfair resource extraction, and many more). International Rural Churches Association aims to bring rural communities together in a supportive network, sharing best practices to sustain healthy rural lives. "Community Soundings" is a helpful tool in which churches can bring communities together to discover the wisdom

within ourselves. In this workshop, participants will have an opportunity to experience the kind of communal environmental lament that gives voice to the rural voiceless and is required by prophetic and biblical witness.

God of Life, Make Us Instruments of Justice and Peace (WS123)

Church and Peace, Friends World Committee for Consultation-Europe and Middle East Section (Quakers), International Fellowship of Reconciliation

Convention hall 104

Description: The workshop will highlight practical examples of peace-building as expressions of following Jesus in the peace church tradition. It will show how members of the Mennonite, Quaker and Brethren faith communities conceive of the nature of the church in terms of living for and testifying to the peace of Christ. Particular attention will be paid to efforts made toward getting conflicted parties to enter into dialogue, working for reconciliation and peace-building after conflicts have been quelled, and the lobby work of the peace church tradition with relevant international organizations like the European Union and the United Nations.

Kairos Palestine: Striving towards Liberation (WS125)

National Coalition of Christian Organizations in Palestine

Convention hall 105

Description: This workshop aims at deepening a Christian theological reflection on what it means to love one's enemy and oppressor, while resisting the evils of occupation, humiliation and dehumanization. The Kairos Palestine document, as a reflection of the Palestinian Christian experience in resisting occupation, will be examined as a study case. Other *kairos* experiences from different parts of the world will also be discussed and ways of cooperation envisaged.

For a Just World: Combat Sexual Exploitation (WS127)

BRIDGES - Eastern European Forum for Dialogue

Convention hall 106

Description: This workshop will explore the issue of sexual exploitation, not as a separate social issue but in relation to poverty and violence. The significance of the workshop is to stress the need for human dignity of all people to be realized, regardless of gender, race, religion, country or age. The

participants will be also acquainted with the problem of the modern slave trade on the Balkans—an illegal business earning more than drugs and weapons combined.

Just Peace and the US Churches (WS141)

*Peace Witness Ministries of the National Council of Churches of Christ in the USA and the Church of the Brethren
Convention hall 107*

Description: This workshop will look at the responses of US churches to the *Ecumenical Call to Just Peace*. Specific focus will be given the response of the major strands of US Christianity found in the WCC: Orthodox, Historic African American communions, Anabaptist, and Mainline Protestant. In addition to presenting feedback from US churches, there will be significant opportunity for discussion with the global church concerning US government foreign policy, just peace ideas, and US church public witness and mission. In addition, attention will be given to finding ways to mutually support and strengthen just peace efforts across regions.

Indigenous and Non-Indigenous Reconciliation Processes in the Nordic Countries (WS152)

*Church of Norway, Church of Sweden, Evangelical Lutheran Church of Finland
Convention hall 108*

Description: The Sami people is the Indigenous people of northern Norway, Sweden, Finland and North-West Russia. In spite of centuries of colonization and assimilation policies, the Sami have survived. Yet their history left wounds and structural injustice in the relationships of indigenous and non-indigenous people at many different levels of society. In recent years the Lutheran Majority Churches in Norway, Sweden and Finland—in which a majority of the Sami are members—have embarked on a journey of reconciliation related to the Sami. What are the experiences? What does the path of reconciliation look like? And can the assembly theme, “God of life, lead us to justice and peace!” serve as a guiding principle?

Climate-Induced Displacement: Where's Climate Justice? (WS159)

*Pacific Conference of Churches, Bread for the World
Convention hall 109*

Description: This workshop highlights the challenges of climate-induced migration in the context of climate justice. The session will be underpinned by experiences of people already forced to move because of climate change. Participants will benefit from reflective sharings and from learning about both the challenges and the approaches used by churches in the accompaniment process.

From Ecological Debt to Eco-Justice: Mining, Reparations and Earth Rights (WS171)

*Economic Justice Network of the Fellowship of Christian Councils in
Southern Africa
Convention hall 110*

Description: Ecological debt undermines justice and conditions for genuine peace. Large-scale mining generates a tremendous ecological debt owed to the global South, indigenous communities and to the earth itself. This workshop will present case studies from around the world on the economic, social and ecological costs of resource extractive activities and how churches and ecumenical partners are working together with affected communities to halt harmful extractive operations, demand holistic reparations and advance Earth rights.

Justice for Children: Ending Legalized Violence against Children (WS178)

*Churches' Network for Non-violence
Convention hall 201*

Description: Children worldwide suffer from corporal punishment in homes, schools and other settings. Some people use their religion, tradition and scriptures to justify it, and it is legal in many states. But this commonplace violence breaches a child's physical, emotional and spiritual integrity. It is incompatible with core religious values of compassion, respect for human dignity, equality and justice, and it is contrary to Jesus' teachings and regard for children. This workshop will examine global progress toward prohibition, draw on gifts and experiences of participants, and explore ways of ending legalized violence against children as key toward a peaceful, just world.

Women Religious Leaders as Peacemakers (WS192)

FinnChurchAid

Convention hall 205

Description: This workshop will draw on first-hand experiences of religious women who have been peace practitioners in Liberia and Somalia to illustrate how women religious leaders have managed to take on the role of peacemakers. We will see what lessons can be drawn from these cases and whether it is feasible to multiply these successes, avoiding pitfalls facing women religious leaders elsewhere in conflict situations. This *madang* will not only offer to the participants a chance to reflect on their past experiences of peace building by women of faith. It also aims at providing concrete recommendations for action on how churches and other faith groups can succeed in empowering and supporting a positive peacemaking role for women religious leaders in their contexts, as well as how to utilize global alliances and partnerships for greater impact.

Pastoral Care with the Elderly: Self-Help for Peace and Development (WS200)

Mision Urbana y Rural

Convention hall 203

Description: This workshop has an ecumenical and interfaith dimension, looking forward together in building a senior pastoral ministry that is inclusive and participatory, to promote equality of opportunity, peace, development and friendly societies for all ages, with an intergenerational approach and human rights, and with the active participation of the elderly themselves.

Use Your Talents: New Approach for Sustainable Development (WS202)

Malagasy Lutheran Church

Convention hall 204

Description: This workshop will explore a broad initiative (Use Your Talents) inside the Malagasy Lutheran Church that considers the local congregation as the primary development agent. The responsibility of the church is to use the talents of Christians to share peace and justice in the community.

Hearing the Voices of the Marginalized (WS213)

*National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Ecumenical Commission
Convention hall 206*

Description: We invite you to this workshop to listen to the journey of our Australian Aboriginal People. This exciting workshop will address the issue of how indigenous people can work in a top-down society. It will look at the wholistic approach of aboriginal people that embraces the social, political and spiritual elements of life.

Inter-Faith: The New Ecumenism? (WS224)

*Churches Together in Britain and Ireland
Convention hall 207*

Description: In a world of conflict there is an urgency about inter-religious dialogue. For many this dialogue will help prevent the “clash of civilizations.” Christians throughout the world find themselves living alongside people of other faiths - often as a minority and often amidst great diversity. This workshop will explore questions regarding dialogue: In our context of religious pluralism, has the need to engage in dialogue become a greater priority than Christian ecumenism, which seeks and prays for the visible unity of Christianity? Has the ecumenical movement achieved all that it is likely achieve, and is it now time to place the emphasis upon the inter-religious context? Or is it the case that our commitments to inter-religious dialogue are an expression of that vocation to Christian unity, “that the world might believe”?

Mission, Migration, and Multicultural Ministries (WS229)

*The United Church of Canada / Ecumenical Network for Multicultural
Ministries - International
Convention hall 208*

Description: Today, we are people on the move. Migration is happening within countries and between countries all over the world--it is from everywhere to everywhere. With all of this movement of people, what are the implications for mission and local churches? What opportunities are there for churches to engage with multicultural and intercultural ministries? How can churches more effectively respond to the changing global reality? With reference to the new CWME statement on mission and evangelism, *Together towards Life*, this workshop will share theological insights, resources and tools from different countries and contexts to engage with multicultural ministries as one way of churches living into justice and peace.

Article 9 of the Japanese Peace Constitution (WS216)

National Council of Churches Japan

Business hall

Description: Japan's 1947 "Peace Constitution" is so called because it contains Article 9, which states: "The Japanese people forever renounce war as a sovereign right of the nation" (Clause 1) and "Land, sea and air forces, as well as other war potential, will never be maintained" (Clause 2). Through lectures, testimonies, prayer, dialogue and faith-based declarations, the Asia Inter-religious Conference on Article 9 has sought to protect the letter and promote the spirit of Article 9 against domestic and international pressures toward re-militarization of Japan. This workshop will share the results of the work in this area.

Korean Women and Justice, Peace and Life Movement (WS251)

Women's Council for Justice, Peace and Life

Auditorium

Description: This workshop will introduce Korean women's work in the justice, peace, and life movement to women of churches from around the world, and will explore a process in which shared future direction and networking will be redefined.

Dignity and Justice to the Victims of Military Sexual Slavery (WS255)

The Korean Council for the Women Drafted for Military Sexual Slavery by Japan

Convention hall Ballroom

Description: In conflict situations around the world, women have been the most violated people. History shows that, especially during wartime, violence against women is expressed in its most fearful and inhuman way. This workshop will examine the case of the military sexual slaves who were drafted by the Japanese military as an example. It will then broaden to the case of any such violence, with special attention to crimes committed during wartime. It is clear that these violated women must be supported in their efforts toward restoration of their dignity and to experience justice, healing and reconciliation.

Religious Minority Struggles for Peace with Justice (WS261)

*South Asia Council of Churches
Convention hall 202*

Description: The National Councils of Churches in each of the countries in the South Asian region (Pakistan, India, Bhutan, Nepal, Bangladesh and Sri Lanka) have been actively engaging the forces that challenge the peace and security of religious minorities in co-ordination with peoples of different faiths and ideologies. This workshop will focus on the initiatives of the South Asian NCCs in building communities of peace and justice amidst the struggles of religious minorities in their respective countries.

Undocumented and Unafraid: U.S. Immigrant Youth Movement (WS271)

*Progressive National Baptist Convention, USA
Madang Meeting Room 1*

Description: This workshop will focus on how a new civil rights movement has emerged in the United States, led by immigrant youth. There are more than 2 million undocumented immigrant students and young people, who were brought to the United States as children and have been denied basic rights, including access to higher education, voting rights, travel, and work authorization. They have lived under constant fear of deportation. The immigrant youth movement has embraced the teachings of Mahatma Gandhi and Martin Luther King and has launched civil disobedience campaigns, hunger strikes, and sit-ins in the U.S. Senate, inspiring millions of people throughout the United States.



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