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WHEN

When is the Conference?

- The Levantai-vos Conference will run from Friday July 28th Tuesday August 1st
 - o The Conference will begin at 4pm on Friday July 28th
 - o The Conference will end at 1pm on Tuesday August 1st

Are there activities before and after that date?

- There is an invitation-only preparation week from July 22nd 28th
- We anticipate that a number of participants will also join with us at the Catholic World Youth Day (1-6 August).

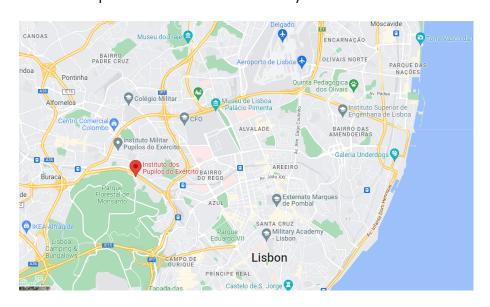
Can I come to the preparation week?

Attendance at preparation week is by invitation only. You will be approached by a
Kairos leader to ask you to come and serve and prepare for the conference. If you
have not been approached and would like to request to come you can email Eilidh
or Tadhg: eilidh@kairos-eme.org / tadhg.lynch@kairos-eme.org

WHERE

Where is the Conference taking place?

- The venue for the Levantai-vos conference is located near the centre of Lisbon, Portugal.
- The facility is called IPE Lisbon and you can visit their site here: https://pupilos.eu/
- Accommodation will be provided at this venue for participants at Prep7,
 Levantai-vos & World Youth Day.
- The venue has excellent public transport links, and is just 45 mins from Lisbon International Airport and 30 mins from the City Centre.



WHO

Who is coming?

- We anticipate between 300 and 350 people will come to the conference

Where are they coming from?

 We anticipate about 200 people from Europe, a large group from the Middle East and the Philippines and also significant numbers from Latin America and North America

Can I come if I am not part of a Sword of the Spirit Community or outreach?

 Yes. Although we expect that most participants at the conference will come from Sword of the Spirit Communities and outreaches – we are open to anyone coming.
 Please contact us and we will link you with the outreach / community in your country who can help you to register.

What age do I have to be to come to the Levantai-vos Conference?

- Levantai-vos is a conference for student-aged people. You are welcome to attend as a participant if you are between the ages of 17 – 25. Our target group is 18-22 year olds.

Who is running the Conference?

- The Levantai-vos Conference is run by Kairos-EME.
- The host legal entity is A Boa Nova: the Sword of the Spirit Community from Lisbon,
 Portugal.

Who is the point of contact who can give general info and answer questions?

Eilidh Graham: eilidh@kairos-eme.org

HOW MUCH

How much does it cost to come to preparation week?

- Everyone who attends Prep7 must also attend the Levantai-vos Conference
- To come to preparation week & the conference, the cost is £350/€400/\$425

How much does it cost to come to Levantai-vos?

- To come to the Levantai-vos Conference there are 3 different prices:
 - o If you sign up and pay before January 8th 2023 the price is £160/€185/\$195
 - o If you sign up and pay before April 8th 2023 the price is £185/€210/\$220
 - o If you sign up and pay before June 3rd 2023 the price is £199/€225/\$250

How much does it cost to attend the WYD events after the close of the Levantai-vos Conference?

- £205/€235/\$260 on top of your conference price.

I heard there were different prices — where does my price come from?

Due to relative economic differences between certain countries, Kairos has calculated a separate price for participants coming to PT23 from Poland & Portugal. Kairos has made a decision that we will only offer 3 prices for the Levantai-vos conference – one price for participants from Poland, one for Portugal and another price for participants from every other country. There are no separate categories for participants from any other country except for Poland & Portugal.

Does this price include flights?

- This price does not include flights or transport to Portugal.

I'm coming as a leader or volunteer leader of my group — do I get a discount price?

 No – all participants at PT23, including leaders and volunteer leaders are asked to pay the Conference costs.

Do I have to organise my own transport in Portugal?

- You do have to organise your own transport in Portugal.

Do I have to organise my own transport from the Conference to the World Youth Day?

- You do have to organise your own transport from the Conference Venue to World Youth Day activities, however we will provide transport leaders etc to help.

HOW DO I PAY?

If you are from Kairos Europe:

- You can pay by PayPal <u>here</u>

If you are from Portugal:

You can pay by:
 Direct transfer to the A Boa Nova designated bank account
 Or via Paypal here

If you are from another Sword of the Spirit region or sub-region:

Please <u>register here</u>, and then contact & pay via your regional representative:
 Asia / Philippines: Joseph Picquero

Middle East: Tony Mouarkech Ibero-America: Fernando Ayala North America: Molly Kilpatrick

If you are from Kairos Europe and not able to use PayPal you may pay directly to the Conference account in Portugal using the details above:

- Please add a reference with your name and the events you're paying for
- Please make sure that the full price in EURO arrives to the A Boa Nova account
- The Portuguese Bank will not charge a receiving fee your bank likely will charge a fee to send money

Where do I get a receipt?

- The A Boa Nova Community will issue you with a receipt, upon receipt of payment

For any further financial assistance/questions, please contact Claudia: souzadiascc@gmail.com

KAIROS & WORLD YOUTH DAY

The Dates for the Levantai-vos Conference precede WYD activities — why is this?

The Kairos Conference will finish before the WYD. Kairos participants who wish to stay for the World Youth Day can join with Kairos as participants. Kairos is signed up as a partner group and we will participate fully in helping the World Youth Day! It is not possible to come <u>solely</u> to WYD with Kairos. All Kairos WYD participants must attend the Conference as preparation time.

Why are we having a Conference before WYD?

- World Youth Day (WYD) organisers ask and recommend that participants come to WYD with a group
- WYD organisers recommend that groups run some kind of a conference before WYD to give all pilgrims preparation and training before entering a very large event to help them receive the most from the event. The Levantai-vos Conference follows the advice from WYD organisers to organise a conference to help participants engage well with the WYD.
- SOS leaders have asked that Kairos help facilitate:
 - o A good approach to a million person event
 - o An approach to WYD which allows us to participate but also to keep our SOS identity clear

If I am coming to Levantai-vos, do I need to also register for WYD?

- You do not need to register separately for WYD if you register for Levantai-vos. We will handle your registration for you.

I need a VISA to come to Portugal for WYD. Can the Conference Team secure this for me or do I need to do it myself?

- The Levantai-vos Conference can issue you a letter of invitation from the A Boa Nova Community to come to Portugal.
- WYD will not process a VISA for you.
- You will need to apply for and process your VISA application yourself from your own country
- You are responsible for the costs of your VISA it is not included in your participation fee at Levantai-vos

TRANSPORT & ACCOMMODATION

I have registered and paid for Levantai-vos. What does this price include and what do I need to pay for myself?

- The Levantai-vos price includes:
 - o All meals during the time of the conference
 - o All accommodation during the time of the conference
 - o All transport during the time of the conference to events associated with the Conference (this does not include transport to the conference centre)
- The price does not include transport from airports / major cities / train and bus stations to our location in Lisbon.

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Do I have to bring a sleeping bag?

You will need a sleeping bag if you are going to the World Youth Day vigil on Saturday
 5th August. Otherwise, you will not need a sleeping bag.