



## **Summary of Delegates' Responses to ICYL's Questions**

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### **Communications**

Dialogue and keeping the various Young Lasallian movements informed and up to date with what other Young Lasallians from across the world are engaged in is something which featured very frequently in the delegates' response to our questions. Some of the suggestions put forward of how ICYL could contribute towards these important aspects were:

- Upgrading of the Council's webpage and its functions.
- Regular updates and reports.
- Promoting and encouraging further international meetings, exchanges, and sharing (including prayers).
- Advocate for further interaction of Young Lasallians at the Regional and District level.

### **Structure**

It is also clear that Young Lasallians present would like to see the council's work being focused towards clear goals and objectives. Delegates have voiced their thoughts on the need for the following:

- Full-time Secretary for Young Lasallians.
- Statutes.
- Regional and District Councils of Young Lasallians.
- Fund raising initiatives for/through Young Lasallians to help with the costs of ICYL.
- The use of the unified voice of Young Lasallians in order to have a stronger push within the Institute.
- Work plans based on specific themes.

## **Operations**

Young Lasallians have voiced a desire to be involved in the mission by means of association while others also request clarification on what their role as associates would mean. ICYL has been called to strengthen connections between regions and its operations in various ways, some of them are:

- Evaluating the possibility of appointing District or Regional representatives that would serve as a link between their area and the Council.
- Work for better formation for Young Lasallians on a world wide level.
- Responding to worldwide issues through uniting activities for Young Lasallians from around the world (taking the form of prayer services, campaigns, projects relating to a specific theme, etc.).

## **Concluding Comments**

Other ideas also surfaced although the ones presented above were the prevalent themes gathered from all the groups. In conclusion, it should be highlighted that the ICYL is one of the advisory councils that are appointed by and funded through and that report directly to the Superior General and the General Council. Other structures, independent from the Institute, would need to take into consideration their relationship to the Institute as well as questions of appointment and funding.