

COLLOQUIA ON SCIENCE DIPLOMACY



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SPECIAL EVENT WITH

H.E. PAUL RICHARD GALLAGHER

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PRESS RELEASE

The *Colloquia* on Science Diplomacy organized by the Accademia Nazionale dei Lincei, in collaboration with the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation, and the International Organizations and Foreign Diplomatic Missions in Italy, promotes the values of Diplomacy and Science in international relations as fundamental principles to be pursued in the *modus operandi* and the *modus vivendi* of modern society.

The Accademia Nazionale dei Lincei is pleased to announce the Special Event, "Fraternity, Integral Ecology and COVID-19. The Role of Diplomacy and Science" by H.E. Most Rev. Msgr. Paul Richard Gallagher, Holy See Secretary for Relations with States, which will take place at the *Colloquia* on November 23rd, 2020, at 4 pm.

The world has been shaken by the crisis created by the COVID-19 pandemic. At this difficult time, which continues to change the societies in which we live, we are called to

care for one another and to avoid closing in on ourselves. Indeed, this crisis makes evident the importance of the concepts of fraternity and integral ecology, both outlined in the last two Encyclical Letters of Pope Francis, *Fratelli Tutti* on fraternity and social friendship, and *Laudato sì* on care for our common home. Seriously facing the causes of this crisis will require a real change of direction involving all of society, and, in particular, the scientific and diplomatic communities, in adopting an integral vision that is capable of promoting a interdisciplinary dialogue to foster trust and to develop common good.

The *Lectio Magistralis* of H.E. Most Rev. Msgr. Paul Richard Gallagher will be followed by a Round Table, moderated by Prof. Wolfango Plastino, Chair of the *Colloquia* on Science Diplomacy, which will be attended by Prof. Marcia McNutt, President of the United States National Academy of Sciences and Prof. Giorgio Parisi, President of the Accademia Nazionale dei Lincei.

In line with established norms and precautionary measures adopted to address the current epidemiological emergency, the event will be broadcasted live by web – https://www.lincei.it – in English language with simultaneous translation in Italian.