About us

SOFIA (ROME)

SOFIA (Salvatorian Office for International Aid) is the international agency for the aid and development work of the Salvatorian Fathers and Brothers in Rome. It has been a forerunner in training Catholic religious members in Project Management for the last eleven years. It has trained about 430 participants from more than fifty countries.

Our trainers

BROTHER ALLEN SHERRY

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Grant Writing & Fundraising Workshop in Rome

An Introduction to International Fund Searching for Mission Projects



7, 8, 9, 10, 11 October-2024



Location: Rome

For more information write to: workshop@mailsds.org



Topics of the training

Preparing project applications and reports

- The steps of the project cycle
- Results focused planning
- Preparing budgets and financial plans
- Monitoring and evaluation
- Preparing narrative and financial reports

Finding Funding

- Catholic funding agencies in Europe and the US
- Government sources of funding for missionary projects
- Understanding how funding agencies operate
- Nurturing donor relationships and strategies to grow your donor base
- Roundtable on setting up a solidarity or development office and working with lay collaborators

Workshop Methodology

- Classroom teaching
- Group discussions and exercises
- Individual work

Who is the training for?

The workshop is ideal for anyone working in a small to medium Christian Charity/ mission project offices:

- Project managers of missionary projects
- Congregational regional bursars
- Members of congregations or lay partners in mission
- Fundraising and communication managers and officers
- New fundraisers
- Fundraisers new to the Christian charity sector
- Board members and volunteers responsible for fundraising

IT IS IMPORTANT THAT PROSPECTIVE PARTICIPANTS:

- Have a proficiency in oral English comprehension
- Do you want to learn how to put together successful applications for missionary projects?
- Are you looking for external funding for your ministries?
- Do you want to know what to say, how to say it, and what information to send to potential funding partners?
- Do you want to learn how to identify the right funding agencies for your projects and how to set up long-term partnerships with them?

Days and times

DATES: 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 October 2024

TIME SCHEDULE

- 1. Registration: Monday 7 October 2024, 8:00 to 9:00
- 2. Daily sessions:

Monday-Tuesday and Thursday-Friday: 9:00 am – 5:00 pm (breaks: coffee 10:45-11:15; lunch 12:45 – 2:15pm; coffee 15:30-16:00)

Wednesday: 1:00 - 1:45 pm light lunch; workshop 2:00 - 6:00 pm (coffee 15:45-16:15).

Wednesday morning is kept free to give the participants the opportunity to attend the General Audience of Pope Francis at St Peter's Square.

COST

We request for a donation of 750 €

REGISTER ONLINE

http://sofiaglobal.org/workshop-registration-form/

Contact Us: workshop@mailsds.org

Apply before 30 September,2024