



B-1050 Brussel , Belgium

Namur, 28th March 2018

Dear members, Dear friends,

I am happy to invite all of you who are concerned with International Students in Europe to the **Annual Encounter & General Assembly of SECIS 2018** which will take place in **Madrid** from Thursday 7th June at noon until Saturday 9th June p.m. The address is *Casa de Espiritualidad "Santa Rafaela Maria"*, Martínez Campos street, 12 – 28010 Madrid (Spain).

The topic of our meeting is **"How are Catholics agents concerned with Higher Education dealing with International Students?"** (see program below). To materialize this topic, examples of good practices and challenges will be presented by members of SECIS working in different European countries: England/Wales, Luxembourg, Spain, Germany and Austria. Their input is intended to initiate exchanges between participants. The members of SECIS would like to share their experience with representatives of not only western countries but also countries of Central and Eastern Europe. You are therefore encouraged to spread this invitation to those you know welcoming international students in all these countries.

To participate to the meeting, please fill up the registration form on line at <https://jornadasconferenciaepiscopal.es/SECIS>. The deadline for the registration is the 14th May. On the basis of your payment, you shall receive confirmation of your registration. For the members of SECIS, your subscription 2018 is intended to pay the cost of accommodation; only the travel is therefore at your own expense.

Sincerely yours,

Pierre Devos, chairman



SECIS ANNUAL ENCOUNTER & GENERAL ASSEMBLY
Madrid, 7th – 9th June 2018
PROGRAM

	THURSDAY June 7 th	FRIDAY June 8 th	SATURDAY June 9 th
9h		3.Catholic universities (Input: Fundación Universitaria San Pablo CEU - Madrid) 4.Funding agencies and scholarships (Input: Hermann Weber – KAAD – Germany) 5.Dorms & Students' Residences (Input: Austria) Conclusive round table <i>How can we improve networking?</i>	SECIS General Assembly
14h	Arrival of participants Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
16h	SECIS Annual Meeting Welcome and presentation of participants (Raquel Perez - Spain) Presentation of SECIS (Pierre Devos - Belgium) <i>How are Catholic agents concerned with Higher Education dealing with International Students?</i> Presentation of good practice examples and exchange 1.Pastoral Care & Chaplaincies (Input: Roberta Canning – England/Wales) 2. Intercultural exchange (Input: Edith Weber– Luxembourg)	Cultural programme and informal exchange	Departure of participants who join the Assembly
21h	Celebration of the Eucharist Dinner	Celebration of the Eucharist Dinner	