

THE 7 YESES

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[...] United by this Pact of mutual love,

1. Let us say **Yes to life** and let us work to defend its inviolable dignity at every stage, from conception to its natural end.
2. Let us say **Yes to the family** united by an indissoluble bond of love between man and woman, the foundation of a united society that looks to the future.
3. Let us say **Yes to creation**, by defending nature and the environment, gifts of God to be safeguarded with commitment that respects future generations.
4. Let us say **Yes to a just economy**, at the service of every person and of all humankind.
5. Let us say **Yes to solidarity with the poor** and the marginalized, be they near or far - they are our brothers and sisters. Let us ask our governments and the European Union to work in a determined manner for the poor and for the development of disadvantaged nations.
6. Let us say **Yes to peace**, and let us commit ourselves to bringing it about that, through dialogue, understanding and reconciliation may be found in situations of conflict. Our world has no future without peace.
7. Let us say **Yes to our responsibility towards the whole of society** and let us work so that through everyone's participation, cities might become places of solidarity and welcome for people of different nationalities and cultures.

To this end , we want to take on this commitment together, each movement and community in accordance with its own charism and potentialities. To this end , we want to work together with all men and women, with institutions and with all social and political entities.

Together we want to place ourselves at the service of peace and unity that are at the foundation of today's Europe. Together we want to communicate to Europe and to the world the Gospel of life and peace that animates our Movements and Communities.

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