

International Commission grows its relationship with European authorities

The work for the international expansion of the UDV continues. During the month of April, the Secretary of the Commission for the Study of the International Expansion of the Center (CEI), Brother Leonardo Tocchetto Pauperio (also the Vice-Director of the International Legal Department), undertook an important work front in Europe (Italy, Holland and Switzerland) attending to some of the Center's demands. For the trip, a publication was prepared in English presenting the UDV institutionally to the authorities.

In Italy, Leonardo Pauperio met with the Head of Customs of the Milan Airport, where he picked up 40 liters of Vegetal that had been seized, completing the final chapter of a strategic work started with the hiring of an attorney and the submission of an application to the customs authorities. On this same occasion, he received orientations for the future shipments of Vegetal, and was received by the President of the Court of Milan and the Magistrates Association.



Leonardo Tocchetto Pauperio with the President of Switzerland's Supreme Court

In Amsterdam, he met with attorneys of the Center with the aim of creating a technical-legal study with respect to the continuity of the activities of DAV Holland and obtaining religious use licenses and receiving shipments of Vegetal from Brazil.

In Switzerland, he was received in Lausanne, in the country's interior, by Minister Ulrich Meyer, President of the Supreme Court, to whom he delivered a copy of the UDV's institutional publication, whereby the Minister revealed that he felt "touched" by the narrative made by Brother Leonardo.

The work of consolidating the UDV in Europe is going forward and the message of our Mestre is reaching International Authorities.

MGR and President of the DG now on the Board of Novo Encanto

The General Representative Mestre and the President of the General Directorate now make up part of the Board of Directors of Novo Encanto. The expansion of the Board was approved at a meeting held on April 20th, in Brasilia.



Novo Encanto Meeting in Brasilia

The MGR, M. Paulo Afonso Amato Condé, reaffirmed that it is a priority of the General Representation to strengthen Novo Encanto by integrating its actions into projects and initiatives of the General Directorate and the Departments of the UDV. At the meeting, the report of the accounts for 2017 was also presented and approved.

OE wants to take spiritual orientation to the homes

Mestre Almir Nahas, the person responsible in the ambit of the Center for the Spiritual Orientation of Children and Youth, said that the priority in the triennium will be to create conditions where the parents can give a good spiritual orientation to their children in the home, through their daily examples and interactions.



Spiritual Orientation Meeting – April of 2018

The priorities of the OE were defined in the strategic planning meeting, held in Brasilia on April 21st and 22nd, which included the participation of the people Responsible in each Region of the UDV, of the General Representative Mestre and of other authorities of the Center.

Almir Nahas also explained that among the goals is the strengthening of family ties and friendship within families, the integration of the OE into the Departments of the Center and the dissemination of good art and good culture. A summary of this Planning was sent via Circular Letter # 16/2018 and will arrive to the entire irmandade of the Center.

Participate in the international study with respect to Hoasca

The General Representation reiterates the recommendation to the associates to participate in the worldwide study entitled "Global Ayahuasca Project", which aims to draw a psycho-sociological profile of Hoasca users and the social context in which the use of Hoasca is given. The questionnaire is in English, it is easy to fill out and can be found at this link: <https://www.globalayahuascaproject.org/survey/udv/en/>

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