

# Full, Conscious and Active:

Lay Participation in the Church's Dialogue with the World

6 – 9 July 2016, Rome, Italy



## Call for Papers

The **College Theology Society** and **The Lay Centre at Foyer Unitas** are pleased to invite you to join distinguished Church leaders and theologians for the Rome Seminar — four days of theological reflections on the laity that can then be applied in the current North American context.

### The themes of the seminar include, but are not limited to:

- Understanding the lay vocation and mission in the Church
- Engagement of the laity in justice and peace issues
- The laity and ecumenical and interreligious dialogue
- The role of the laity in exploring the relationship between faith, culture and Church

#### ➞ Paper Submission:

Participants are invited to present new academic papers, from 2,000 to 3,000 words, on the above or related topics.

#### ➞ Conference Location:

The seminar will be held at The Lay Centre at Foyer Unitas in the heart of historic Rome. Food and lodging will be provided at The Lay Centre.

#### ➞ Publication of Papers:

The best papers will be published in the first academic volume co-edited by the College Theology Society and The Lay Centre.

#### ➞ Important Deadlines:

Abstract submission: **15 December 2015**

Responses given: **1 February 2016**

Final paper submission: **1 June 2016**

### "God's Mercy Endures Forever"

10 – 16 July 2016

After the Rome Seminar, The Lay Centre has organized a weeklong program, which includes daily opportunities for fellowship and prayer, high-quality guided visits to each of the papal basilicas and several summer cultural activities. Participants of the Rome Seminar are invited to remain for the program, organized to mark the Jubilee of Mercy and the 30th anniversary of The Lay Centre at Foyer Unitas.

For submissions and information contact [seminar2016@laycentre.org](mailto:seminar2016@laycentre.org)