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Central Buddhist Fellowship Organization of Lao PDR



ENCOUNTER WITH THE BUDDHIST AND CATHOLIC DELEGATION FROM LAOS

Disarming Conflicts Building Peace

Buddhist, Christian and academic perspectives on dialogue and reconciliation



The University of Cassino and Southern Lazio welcomes the Buddhist and Catholic delegation from Laos, October 2026.

PROGRAMME · THURSDAY 29 OCTOBER 2026

9:30 – 9:40

Institutional greetings

Prof. Marco Dell'Isola, Rector of the University of Cassino and Southern Lazio

Dr Enzo Salera, Mayor of Cassino

Fr Benedetto Minchella, Director of the Diocesan Liturgical Office and University Chaplain

Prof. Andrea Riggio, Rector's Delegate for RUniPace and for Ethics and Research, University of Cassino and Southern Lazio

9:40 – 9:50

Introduction

Fr Daniele Mazza, Vicar General, Pontifical Institute for Foreign Missions (PIME)

9:50 – 10:00

The Buddhist perspective

His Eminence Athipatay Maytryjit, Vice-President and Director General of the Central Office, Central Buddhist Organisation, Lao People's Democratic Republic

10:00 – 10:10

The Christian perspective

Fr Luigi Di Bussolo, Abbey of Montecassino

10:10 – 10:20

The academic perspective

Prof. Luigi Di Santo, Full Professor of Philosophy of Law, University of Cassino and Southern Lazio

10:20 – 11:10

Dialogue and discussion

Open exchange between the speakers and the participants

11:10 – 11:30

Conclusions and farewell

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Thursday

29 October 2026

9:30 – 11:30

WHERE

Council Hall, Rectorate Building

University of Cassino and Southern Lazio

Viale dell'Università, Campus Unicas, Cassino (FR), Italy

ABOUT

The meeting is part of the Italian visit of a Buddhist and Catholic delegation from Laos, in Italy for the interreligious gathering held in Assisi on 27 October 2026. Starting from the Lao experience, it brings together religious traditions and the academic world around peacebuilding, conflict management and the paths of dialogue and reconciliation.

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