



Presentation of the V International Day of Prayer and Awareness against human trafficking: 8 February 2019

Together against human trafficking

On February 8, 2019 let's turn on a light against the trafficking of persons, to celebrate the 5th edition of the International Day of Prayer and Awareness against human trafficking that this year will have as its theme: "TOGETHER against human trafficking".

The first edition of the IDPT was celebrated on February 8, 2015, by the will of Pope Francis, who in 2014 entrusted the International Union of Superiors and Superiors General (UISG / USG) with promoting this day.

In these years, gathering in prayer has facilitated collaborating and overcoming the boundaries within which we operate, dedicated to our projects that, although very important, could lead us to cut ourselves off from the others. The great tragedy of trafficking urges us to overcome every barrier to join forces and collaborate for the common good.

On February 12th 2018, Pope Francis received a group of young people and representatives of the organizations sponsoring the International Day of Prayer. On this occasion he donated a very beautiful prayer that can be downloaded, into many different languages, from our [Website](#). Urged by the questions of the young participants, Pope Francis recalled how important it is to tackle the root causes of trafficking and wished "that all of you can send a message to leaders at every level of governments, business and society, to demand access to quality education and, consequently, fair and sustainable employment."

This requires us to coordinate our actions and unite our strengths. "Together against human trafficking" is the invitation addressed to everyone, each according to their own possibilities.