



Transforming our World

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Young Christians from the whole of Europe want to transform the world

The Mission-Net Congress 2011/12 begins in Erfurt, Germany this evening

ERFURT. The 2nd European Mission-Net Congress begins with an evening celebration tonight. More than 2500 participants from 40 countries are expected at the congress and will be in Erfurt, Germany until 2nd January. The purpose of Mission-Net is to encourage 16 – 30 year old Europeans to live a missional lifestyle and to give them the opportunity to meet young Christians from the whole of Europe.

Besides enabling personal encounter, the congress will focus on lectures, worship, Bible studies and seminars. Participants will engage with topics such as the Church in the 21st Century, principals of Christian leadership, social justice and ways to speak to children about faith. Practical workshops such as pantomime with Carlos Martínez will also be on offer. Different European cultures will be presented at the “European Street” and outreach opportunities in Europe and beyond will be provided by numerous mission agencies at the “Global Market”.

The congress is organised by the European Evangelical Mission Association and the European Evangelical Alliance. The chairperson of Mission-Net is Martin Voegelin from Switzerland. More than 150 Christian organisations, mission agencies, Bible schools and theological seminaries as well as various denominations and churches in Erfurt support Mission-Net.

The congress slogan is “Transforming our world”. Every Christian is called to transform the world through sharing God’s love with other people. “It is important that we don’t do this on our own, but rather across borders. The fact that young people from throughout Europe will be meeting here in Erfurt is an amazing opportunity,” says Evi Rodemann, Director of Mission-Net.

Main speakers include George Verwer, founder and ex-director of the mission agency OM International, and Klaus Engelmohr, pastor of the church “project_X”. Musical contributions during the congress include the Northern Ireland band “Rend Collective Experiment” and “October Light” from Croatia.



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The first Mission-Net congress took place in Oldenburg, Germany in 2009.

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