



# Online Course

## Social, Civil and Communion Enterprises

*in collaboration and with the support of "Economy of Communion" Korea*

# 11

CLASSES

# 22

HOURS

From **April 2 to June 11**  
from 1.30 to 3.15 p.m. (CEST, UTC+02)  
synchronous and asynchronous mode

The course is an introduction to private business initiatives having a purpose different from profit, with a special focus on the **"Economy of Communion"** initiatives.

Topics include:

- The various forms of enterprises with ideal aims
- The place of solidarity, inclusion and fraternity in economic life
- The role of intrinsic, other-regarding and relational motivations
- Countering inequality and the various forms of poverty with a culture of encounter
- Sharing profits for the common good
- The economic arena as a place for community-building
- Sustainable value chains
- Financing for social impact

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# 2025

## Instructors

**Benedetto Gui**, Emeritus Professor of Economics at Sophia University Institute and former Professor at various Italian State Universities; past member of the International Economy of Communion Commission

**Giampietro Parolin**, Lecturer of Business Strategy at Sophia University Institute and of Theology of Political and Economic Practice, Institute of Religious Sciences, Trento (Italy), Financial Manager at the Student Service Body for the University of Padua (Italy)

The list of guest speakers includes:

- **Annette Balaoing Pelkmans**, Senior Research Associate at Rotterdam School of Management Netherlands), and Visiting Professor at the University of the Philippines, Manila

- **Luigino Bruni**, Full Professor of Political Economy at LUMSA University, Rome, vice President of the Economy of Francesco Foundation, former Coordinator of the International Economy of Communion Commission

- **Paul Catipon**, President and Chief Technology Officer at Netpro Communication, New York City, and member of the North-American Economy of Communion Commission

- **Elizabeth Garlow**, co-founder of Francesco Collaborative Impact Investing, Detroit (Michigan), fellow of New America's New Practice Lab, Washington DC

- **Andrew Gustafson**, Professor of Business Ethics at Creighton University, Omaha (Nebraska), and Principal of Communion Property Real Estate

- **Valentina Rotondi**, Professor at the Department of Business Economics, University of Applied Sciences and Arts, Lugano (Switzerland), Associate Researcher at Nuffield College (Oxford University), member of the scientific committee of the *Economy of Francesco* initiative

The course is part of Sophia's license program in "Culture of Unity", but can also be attended by guest students who register just for it, up to a maximum of 20 attendants. **The fee is 300 €.** **Reductions and waivers are available.**