



# ITINERARY OF THE MARIST GLOBAL NETWORK OF SCHOOLS

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The **MARIST GLOBAL SCHOOLS NETWORK** project is a response to the call of the XXII General Chapter of the Marist Institute (2017) to "Journey together as a global family".



The General Council of the Institute entrusted the **Secretariat for Education and Evangelisation** with the project to launch the Network.



In May 2019, the Secretariat convened an **ad hoc team**, representative of the different regions of the Institute, to design the bases and the outline of the project for the launch of the Marist Global Network of Schools. This team chose to use Design Thinking as a working methodology with the support of the **Innovation Laboratory of the Marist University (PUCRS) of Porto Alegre (Brazil)**. Design Thinking is a methodology for generating innovative ideas that focuses its effectiveness on understanding and providing solutions to the real needs of the users of a product or service.



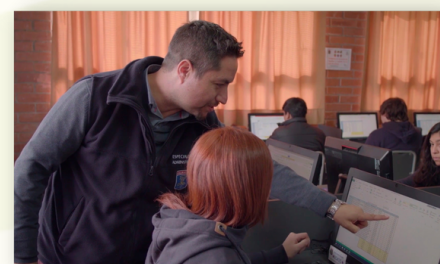
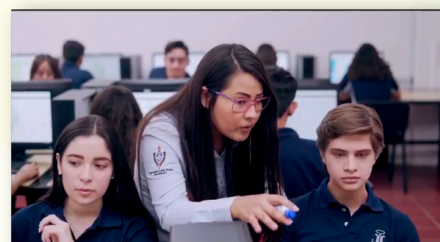


The ad hoc team proposed to the Marist world a **global consultation** to empathise with the needs, expectations, and feelings about the launch of an international network of schools. The survey involved **15,956 school members**, including principals, teachers, administrators, students, and families from **58 different countries**.



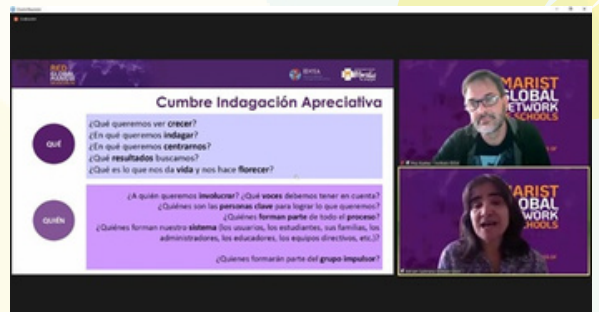
The survey answered, among others, three central questions: How could a global network improve your school? What should "the best possible network" look like? What are your expectations and feelings about the network?

In 2020, the ad hoc team presented a **framework document** with the bases of the Marist Global Network of Schools Project. It outlined the **value proposals of the network** focused on the promotion and strengthening of aspects such as: identity and sense of belonging, innovation, educational and evangelising quality, commitment to the student, the development of global thinking and work, the use of technology to share human resources and educational materials, the generation of spaces for educational leaders to deepen exchange and support, and the promotion of synergies and collaboration.

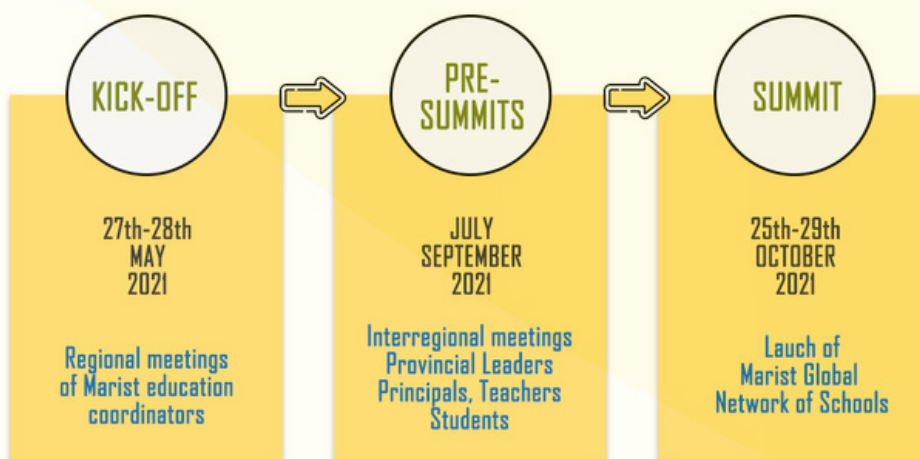




In 2021, with the advice of the **IDeIA Institute of Barcelona (Spain)**, the co-creative design phase of the Network prototype began, following the Appreciative Inquiry approach. This approach includes all the voices of a system - in our case, the Marist system -, investigates the best of the experiences and build the future based on the strengths. Through different meetings, a larger number of people and groups were involved in the process, co-creating the Network from the bottom-up. These were: students, families, educators, and educational leaders. Among them, they shared, inquired, dreamt together, and made proposals.



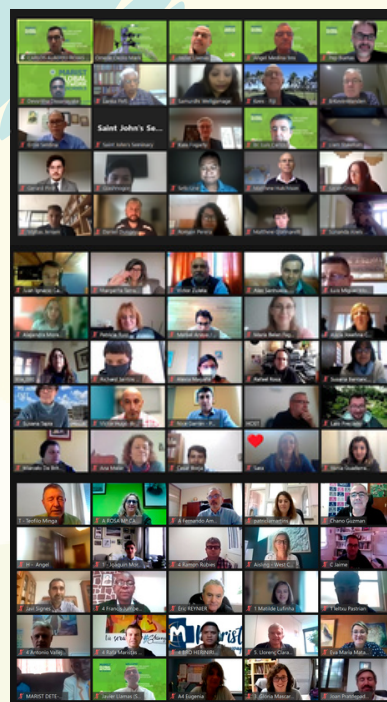
In the meetings, described below, the four phases of Appreciative Inquiry were experienced: discovering, dreaming, designing and destiny, through which the areas of opportunity (themes and initiatives) to promote the Network were defined:





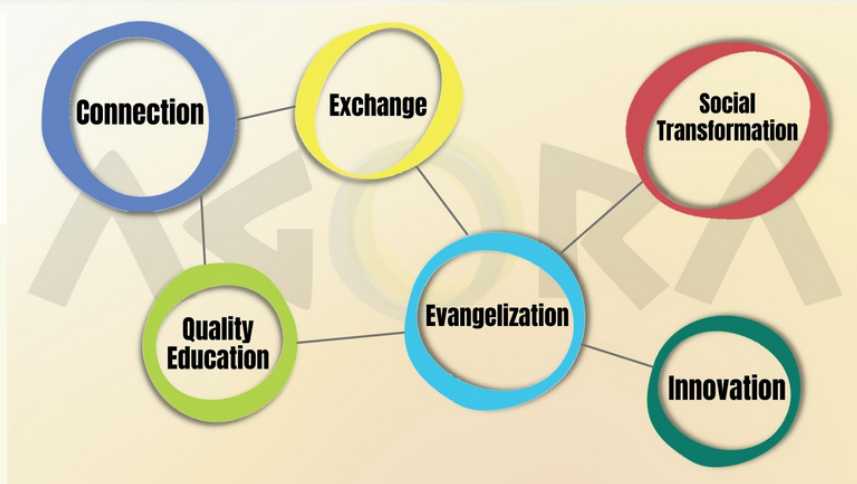
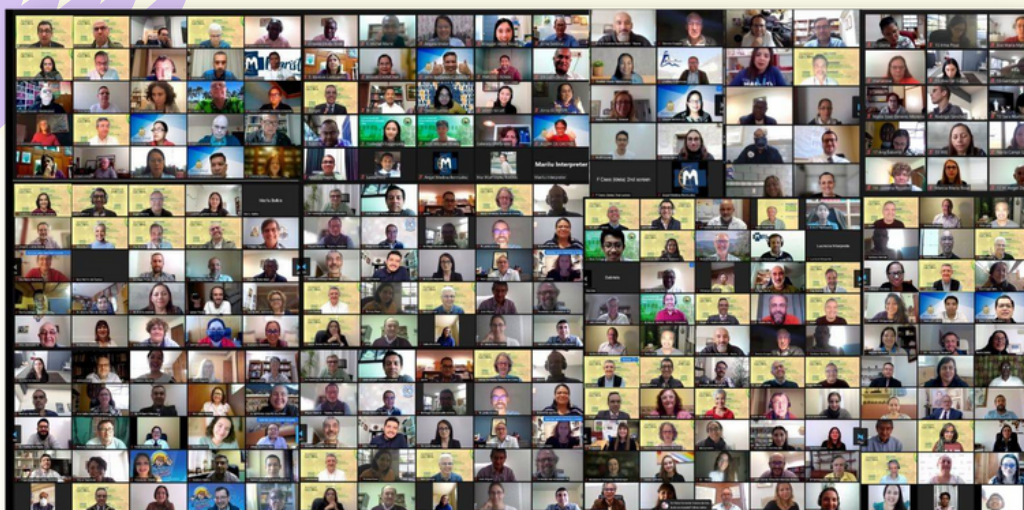
**MEETINGS** with Regional and Provincial Education Coordinators (May 2021). On 27th May the Marist regions of Asia, Oceania and Africa met (26 members from 8 provinces and 1 district) and on 28th May the regions of Europe, America Sur, and Arco Norte (with 40 members from 16 provinces). The main purpose of this meeting was for the participants to begin to feel the project of the Network, to fall in love with this dream and from their experience to encourage the participation of others in their areas of mission.

**INTER-REGIONAL PRE-SUMMITS** of provincial educational leaders and members of the educational community (principals, teachers, students, families (August-September 2021): on 26th August, the Marist regions of Asia and Oceania, on 9th September Arco Norte and America Sur, and on 23rd September Europe and Africa. Around 500 people took part. The purpose was to continue the dream of being a GLOBAL MARIST NETWORK of SCHOOLS, to feel the Network through Appreciative Inquiry and to make an effective experience of interconnected work. As a result of the pre-summits, the different areas of opportunities of the Network emerged: Quality Education, Connection, Exchange, Innovation, Technology, Evangelisation and Social Transformation.





>>> **GLOBAL SUMMIT** of the educational community (principals, teachers, students, families (October 2021). The Summit of the Marist Global Network of Schools took place from the 25th-29th October. There were 480 participants from more than 50 countries. The main objective was to continue the process of designing the network model, converting the areas of opportunity and the themes worked on potential networking initiatives. In addition, the summit allowed for the generation of initiatives based on the topics addressed to help motivate the groups. These groups have already begun to interact in the development and consolidation of the network.





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**P**arallel to the process of designing the network model, works were carried out on the **communication and brand positioning** that brought together the **International Network of Marist Publishers: EDELVIVES (Spain), FTD Educação (Brazil) and GRAM Editora (Argentina)** in a common project. A very fruitful work was carried out with their representatives, which produced two types of results:

1. The creation of design elements and visual representation of the Network based on the selected name: **CHAMPAGNAT GLOBAL** (design and logo manual).
2. Along with the collaborative design of the Network model, it was important to make the Network itself more widely known. To do this, a series of three **VIDEO EPISODES** were recorded that sought to connect emotionally with the educational communities and in this way position Champagnat Global:

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The first VIDEO EPISODE focuses on being mindful of where we come from: Marcellin's dream. And today's call to "journey together as a global family".



The second VIDEO EPISODE celebrates Marist life being reborn in new educational works and new projects such as the Marist Global Schools Network that is being launched.



The third VIDEO EPISODE invites the International School Community to continue to cultivate the values of Marist education and at the same time to recreate them through innovation and collaboration, through networking.







## IMPLEMENTATION

The common dream built creatively and collaboratively over several years is now materialised in the **CHAMPAGNAT GLOBAL** network of schools. The network is a **meeting point** for Marist school communities to have the opportunity to interact globally and promote activities of interest that foster **quality education, connection, exchange, innovation and technology, evangelisation, and social transformation.**



Champagnat Global's operational plan includes activities aimed at the whole school community, such as: face-to-face and online meetings with education coordinators and leaders, webinars with principals, teachers and families, and international educational projects developed jointly by different schools. Massive open online courses (MOOCs) will also be launched on topics of general interest and aimed at a wide range of participants.



Champagnat Global also has a **digital platform: AGORÁ**. This platform is one of the Network's main tools for communication, meeting, and interaction among the international Marist school community.

**AGORÁ** will facilitate, on a global level to:

- Cultivate Marist identity and sense of belonging.
- Share experiences and best practices.
- Foster synergies and collaboration.
- Encourage exchange between members of the school community.
- Carry out international academic projects.
- Promote solidarity and social transformation.

**AGORÁ** works based on a proposal of **groups** that interact around topics of common interest. Being part of a group allows those interested to join a conversation, participate in a discussion or work on initiatives on a specific topic with other members of the international Marist school community.





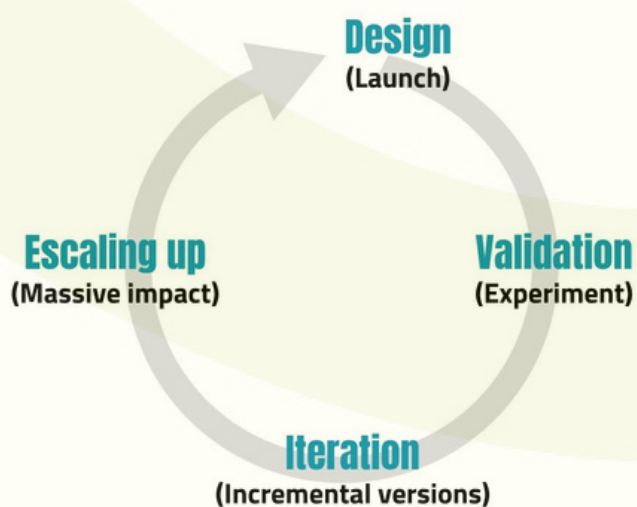
## THE NETWORK AND ITS AGILE (ADAPTIVE) INNOVATION PROCESS

The network, since its inception, has been presented as a service in continuous development and improvement. Champagnat Global is a network model built on a co-creative and collaborative design process, using the methodologies of Design Thinking and Appreciative Inquiry, in connection and alliance with the international school community.

The proposed model is a minimum viable product, a prototype, an experiment. It has enough features to allow early adopters to experience the network and validate the assumptions that led to its design.

The experience will allow a great deal of learning to be gathered that will help to correct and improve the proposal. Thus, functionalities will be added to the Network and incremental versions will be developed that respond more and better to the needs of the Marist school community.

As the Network model is validated and experienced, learning and capacities are accumulated, CHAMPAGNAT GLOBAL will be ready to grow and make transformation of increasing impact.



Designing, validating, improving, and scaling up will become a constant and cyclical process until the initial Network proposal and the final model that successfully responds to the expectations and challenges of Marist school communities around the world are in place.

We invite you to be part of this adventure of innovation. Welcome to Champagnat Global, a place where we all belong.

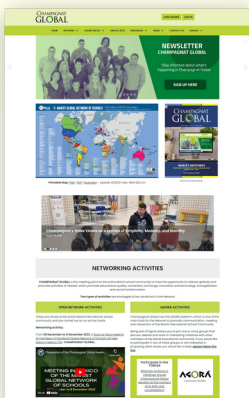


## MILESTONES FOR THE FIRST YEAR

According to the operational plan established once the network was launched, during the first year of operation, some initiatives have been developed, of which we highlight below those that could be the most important milestones of the first steps of Champagnat Global:

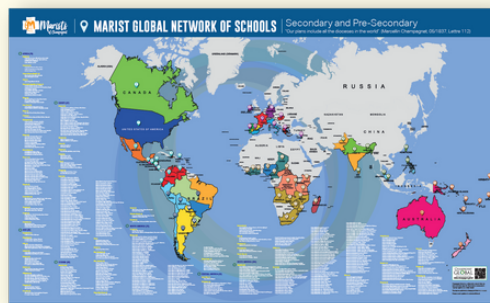
### ★ WEB CHAMPAGNAT GLOBAL

We now have a web portal that allows us to access information, resources, and services. A meeting point for the global Marist school community.



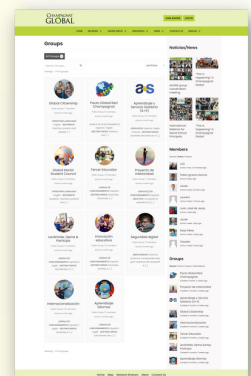
### ★ MAP OF SCHOOLS

In downloadable and interactive version, the map is a valuable tool at the service of strengthening our identity and global sense of belonging. Do you know the photo album of the Marist Global Map of Schools?



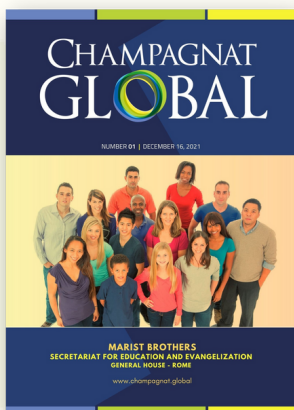
### ★ AGORÁ

It is Champagnat Global's tool that allows you to participate in one or more groups to discuss, share and work on initiatives with other members of the Marist educational community, fostering communication, encounter, and interaction.



### ★ NEWSLETTER

Periodically, those who have decided to register receive a newsletter with the most important news from Champagnat Global.



### ★ OPEN NETWORK ACTIVITIES

It is the space that promotes activities aimed specifically at the school community. This year it is worth highlighting the international seminar for Marist school principals, during the feast of Saint Marcellin Champagnat.



### ★ MOOC GLOBAL CITIZENSHIP

MOOCs are massive open online courses, open to an unlimited number of participants through the internet. Marist Global Citizenship course will be available soon!





## CHAMPAGNAT GLOBAL FACE-TO-FACE MEETING MEXICO 2022

From **28 November to 6 December 2022**, the face-to-face gathering of members of the Marist Global Network of Schools, CHAMPAGNAT GLOBAL, took place in Mexico City.

Seventy delegates participated, representing the General Administration, the regional education structure and teams, the different mission networks of the Institute (universities, publishing houses, solidarity, volunteers) and **each of the Provinces or Districts** of the Institute directly responsible for the leadership and management of the Schools or potential active promoters of Champagnat Global.

The main objective of the gathering was to **define and build in a participative way the roadmap to be followed across Champagnat Global during 2023-2025.**



Stronger together  
**CHAMPAGNAT GLOBAL**  
Mexico 2022

The **logo** designed for the event represents a human pinwheel that is able to generate energy only through the sum of all its parts.

The **slogan**: "Stronger Together" responds to the capacity we can achieve as a school community if we unite in our diversity.

The meeting was structured around the **4 essential focal points that make up Champagnat Global: network, global, Marist and the schools.**



MEETING OF THE INTERNATIONAL MARIST SCHOOL COMMUNITY						 Stronger together CHAMPAGNAT GLOBAL Mexico 2022	
THEME	MONDAY 28 NOV	TUESDAY 29 NOV	WEDNESDAY 30 NOV	THURSDAY 01 DEC	FRIDAY 02 DEC	03-06 DEC	
07:30 BREAKFAST							
THEMATIC	MARIST	NET	GLOBAL	SCHOOLS	CHAMPAGNAT GLOBAL	EXPERIENCE SCHOOLS VISITS	
PRAYER 09:00-09:15	PRAYER	PRAYER	PRAYER	PRAYER	PRAYER		
MORNING BLOCK I 9:15-10:30	-PRESENTATION PARTICIPANTS -EXPECTATIONS OF THE GATHERING -PRESENTATION OF THE MEETING	PROPHETIC NETWORKS AT THE SERVICE OF THE MISSION P. Daniel Villanueva, S.J.	GLOBAL EDUCATION FOR A BETTER WORLD CONFERENCE Fernando M. Reimers	THE SCHOOL, EDUCATIONAL TRENDS, MARIST SCHOOLS, HOMES OF LIGHT	WHERE DO WE WANT CHAMPAGNAT GLOBAL TO BE IN 2025?		
PAUSE							
MORNING BLOCK II 10:45-12:15	OPENING MESSAGE from Vicar Luis C. Gutiérrez INTEGRATION OF PARTICIPANTS, SHARE	EDChAMP I GLOBAL NETWORK EXPERIENCE	GLOBAL CITIZENSHIP IN MARIST PERSPECTIVE MOOC	CHAMPAGNAT GLOBAL INTEGRATION SCHOOL COMMUNITY	HOW DID WE ACHIEVE IT? HOW WILL WE KNOW THAT WE HAVE SUCCEEDED?		
PAUSE							
MORNING BLOCK III 12:45-14:00	CHAMPAGNAT GLOBAL OUR LIVING	EDChAMP II GLOBAL NETWORK EXPERIENCE	OPEN ACTIVITIES WE INVOLVE EVERYONE	FAIR SHARING OUR BEST SCHOOL PRACTICES	MANAGEMENT AND ANIMATION OF THE NETWORK		
LUNCH							
AFTERNOON BLOCK IV 14:30-18:00	PRESENTATION EDChAMP DYNAMIC PROPOSAL GENERATION GROUP CONTRIBUTIONS	AGORÁ REALITY EXPECTATIONS AND CHALLENGES	NETWORKING GROUP OUTING (CITY CENTRE WALK)	WORLD CAFE HOW CAN CHAMPAGNAT GLOBAL RESPOND?	SHIPPING CELEBRATION CULTURAL EVENT		
18:00 Departure Acapulco 19:30 Escharist 20:55 festive dinner	20:00 DINNER	DINNER CUM	20:00 DINNER	CLOSING DINNER			



## WE ARE MARIST

The first day of the gathering involved participants getting to know one another, personal reflection and a warm welcome from the messages of Brother Ernesto Sánchez, Superior General, Brother Luis Carlos Gutiérrez, Vicar General, Brother Ben Consigli, General Councillor and the Brothers Provincials of the Administrative Units of Mexico.



<https://youtu.be/SF9T33APPns>

The first working session focused on the **most significant** experience of the participants in Champagnat Global.

## WE ARE A NETWORK

The second day gave rise to three important moments:

- The conference: Prophetic Networks at the service of the mission, by **Father Daniel Villanueva, SJ**, a key reference point for the Mexico 2022 meeting.
- The experience of **living in a global network: EDCHAMP**. The group experimented using the global network.
- A time to share about what we would like to see grow in the digital platform that contributes to the Network called **AGORÁ**.



<https://youtu.be/jQvNFoO-RL0>



## WE ARE GLOBAL

The next phase of the gathering focused on the international dimension of the Network. This interesting part of the gathering titled; **Global Education to improve the world** was presented by Professor **Fernando Reimers** of Harvard University (USA), who inspired this dynamic topic.



[https://youtu.be/T7fIV3\\_3kys](https://youtu.be/T7fIV3_3kys)

Two important reflections and concepts were discussed:

- **Global Citizenship from a Marist perspective:** Criteria, activities, plans and the **possibility of promoting this programme as a Network**. An opportunity was taken to present the Marist MOOC on Global Citizenship.
- **The Open Activities of Champagnat Global.** The **achievements and challenges of the global activities** that have been carried out in the first round of Champagnat Global were analysed.

## WE ARE SCHOOLS

The essential element in Champagnat Global is the schools, hence the importance of this topic.

Four Marist women from different parts of the world: Prof. Pam Mills (South Africa). Prof. Kate Fogarty (Australia). Prof. Michelle Jordão (Brazil) and Prof. Noemi Silva. (Philippines) enlightened us on how to integrate the Marist '**call to be homes of light**' within existing trends of the schools.



<https://youtu.be/XdyvCIEKkQc>



Following this enriching session, three key areas of work were developed during the day were are proposed as:

- **The integration of Champagnat Global incorporating the interests of the school community:** through existing roles and the involvement of families and students from Marist schools in Mexico, there was a sharing of the trends and what we would like to see grow in the Marist schools of today.
- **Responses being made within our Marist school community** about the trends in today's world. For example a fair was held showcasing the best practices of our schools.
- **How can Champagnat Global respond to the school** of the future and its interests? A **World-Café** was organised where all members had the opportunity to contribute possible solutions and projects for the future.

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It was an important day to outline the guidelines that will define the roadmap to be followed in Champagnat Global between 2023-2025.

By means of the FOAR analysis (Strengths - Opportunities - Aspirations and Results), we reflected on the strengths and opportunities that we have to promote Champagnat Global and the main aspirations that we have as a NETWORK for the forthcoming years. To make this important analysis concrete, the expected results were defined so that Champagnat Global responds to the aspirations set out on the roadmap for the period 2023-2025:

- That the NETWORK will be known and schools will participate.
- That AGORÁ (digital platform) is functioning successfully as a space for exchange and development.
- That we have a project with visible impact.
- That the NETWORK has an organisational and leadership structure.







## EXPERIENCE SCHOOL VISITS

The face-to-face meeting of members of the Marist Global Network of Schools included a **second moment** dedicated to the **visit of some of the schools of the two Marist Provinces of Mexico.**

Inclusion, excellence, innovation, family spirit, protagonism of young people, empowerment of women... these are some of the words that sum up a wonderful experience of encounter with our school reality.





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