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EDITORIAL 2

Dear Marists of Champagnat!

October marked the **second anniversary of the launch of Champagnat Global**. We have to acknowledge with humility and gratitude that this model, which we have been devising together and which we are gradually adapting to our needs, continues to grow satisfactorily. Our school community is gradually becoming aware that walking together benefits us all, and in this sense a culture of integration is being generated, which is reflected in the number of people registered on our Agorá platform, which has tripled in just a few months.

This **second year of the network's evolution has been marked by important milestones, including the face-to-face meeting in Mexico of the education coordinators of the different administrative units, the planning of the Champagnat Global roadmap for the period 2023-25 and the different open activities involving the whole school community, such as the Champagnat celebration with the International Webinar: Building the Global Education Pact at Marist School, the Champagnat Global Week and the launch of the formation area, with the launch of the MOOC on Global Citizenship.**

For those interested in learning about the network's history and process, we recommend that you visit the link where the itinerary and highlights of Champagnat Global are recorded.

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CHAMPAGNAT GLOBAL: 2 YEARS ADDING VALUE

As we mark two years since the launch of Champagnat Global, it is worth asking ourselves what value this initiative is bringing to our personal, professional or mission performance. Some of us may be experiencing the benefit of being part of the network, others may not have felt the need to get involved, and some of us may not have had the time to contemplate this option in a world that keeps us so busy.

So on this second anniversary we thought that the best way to appreciate what Champagnat Global brings to us is to listen to the testimony of Marists from around the world who share their experience with us.



“Champagnat Global gives me the opportunity to experience the global family that we as Champagnat Marists envision and to share it with the students in my care. It provides me with a rich platform to share and engage in best practice and to share this resource with the teaching staff I lead.

At times when I feel isolated or disengaged from my **Marist journey**, Champagnat Global gives me a place to go and connect, to remind myself of the beautiful network of which I am truly a part.

More importantly, it is not only for me to receive, but also for me to give, so that the approach is both to receive and to give, to be part of the flow of the Spirit, of the streams of living water for the life of the mission”.

Pam Paton-Mills

Head of Ethos and Pastoral Care
at Sacred Heart College.
Province of South Africa



“Champagnat Global is the concrete expression of the Marist Global Family, it **puts faces on people, friends, professionals, with whom we share dreams, ideas, experiences and collaboration**, overcoming our geographical distances **to meet in the Mission that calls us together**.

Personally, I have learned a lot, not only about the Institute and its work around the world (learning from Bangladesh, Australia or Spain and Mexico), but also discovering people and caring, closeness to interrupt

when needed, and appreciating that our experience in this southern corner of the world also helps others who are on similar paths”.

Jorge Radic Henrici

Executive Secretary Fundación CEIS
Maristas. Chile,
Province Santa María de los Andes



“**Champagnat Global** brings significant value to my mission and performance. It gives me access to a wide range of experiences of transformation and pedagogical evolution by connecting with local networks around the world. In addition, the global network **allows for more active participation and joint construction of the educational mission in a global context, thus enhancing the coherence, impact and quality of our work. This collaboration enriches and inspires the exchange of good practices, strategies and methodologies, promoting innovation and continuous improvement in the different provinces from a common vision**”.

Maria Casanova Moreno

Coordinator of Innovation Fundació
Champagnat in Catalonia.
Province L'hermitage.



“The pandemic has hidden us behind a monitor. Thanks to the Global Network of Marist Schools, thanks to Champagnat Global, being behind a monitor is no longer a sign of the pandemic, but a sign of a global family, developing fraternity, feeling that we are all members of the great Marist family. **By having access to the huge and wonderful Marist Global School Network, I can, through sport, help my students to feel like members of this big family.** Thanks to sport, my students will undoubtedly feel immersed in the great Marist Family”.

Guiyermo Rodríguez González

Coordinator of cultural and sports activities.
Cervantes Costa Rica school. Guadalajara.
Province: Western Mexico.



“I joined **Champagnat Global** because, as a Marist leader, I strongly believe that it is the ideal platform to facilitate my connection with the wider Marist educational community. This platform **offers me the opportunity to learn from diverse perspectives and collaborate with experts from around the world, allowing me to gain invaluable insight and knowledge, which I can then apply to improve the quality of education within my own educational environment.** Champagnat Global provides a supportive space where common challenges faced by educators can be addressed collectively, allowing for mutual learning and growth. In addition, the platform offers a wealth of

resources that allow me to make impactful changes that positively influence our educational environments. By being part of Champagnat Global, I am able to effectively seek support when I need it, while contributing to the continuous improvement and transformation of educational practices.

Bro. Mark Roberth R. Laurea, FMS

President - Marist School, Marikina,
Philippines. East Asia Province.



“The establishment of Champagnat Global is a tremendously exciting opportunity for us to become a global Marist family. The formation of a number of networks **has enabled an exchange of ideas and resources that was almost impossible just a few years ago.** One of the side effects of the pandemic has been the increased acceptance of electronic communication and the fact that people are willing to participate on a digital platform. Personally, I have found this to be immensely beneficial to several of the projects I am involved in”.

Bro. Kevin Wanden

Marist Brothers of New Zealand
Star of the Sea Province



"IT'S HAPPENING" AT CHAMPAGNAT GLOBAL

Celebrating the first Champagnat Global Week has been a big event in our Marist global network of schools and as a consequence two activities are taking place at the moment that mark the events of the network: the global citizenship course and the Champagnat Global Run which any school can join throughout the year. In addition, the dynamics of the network generate some other news that we share in this block:

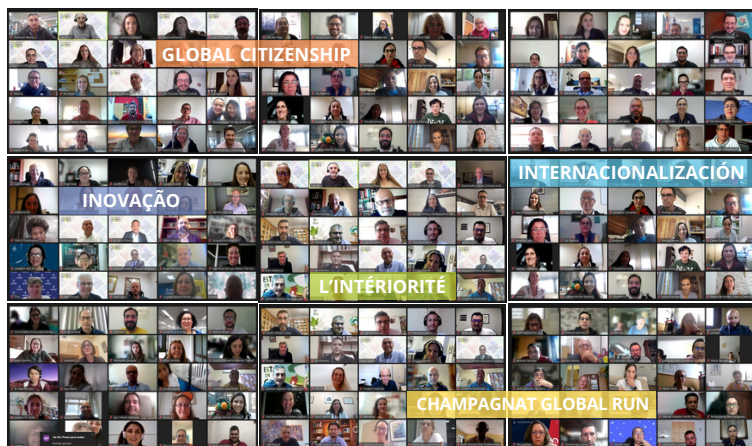
THIS WAS THE FIRST CHAMPAGNAT GLOBAL WEEK

The first Champagnat Global Week took place **from 16 to 20 October.**

These have been very special days in which Marists from all over the world have interacted on topics of interest for school life.



Don't miss the week in pictures and find out what happened in **this short video!**



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MONDAY

On **Monday 16th** a course on Global Citizenship was launched for a pioneering group that will be trained in the knowledge of how to live and promote the experience of global citizenship among our students. This course will be open, in a few months, to the entire Marist educational community.

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TUESDAY

On **Tuesday 17th** we had the opportunity to meet all those interested in carrying out online or face-to-face **exchanges** between the various Marist Schools around the world. **In Agorá, we have an internationalisation group where you can find many contacts.**

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WEDNESDAY

On **Wednesday 18th** we were able to enjoy a wonderful **conference** given by an expert in **educational innovation: Xavier Aragay**, from whom we were able to learn about the keys to tackling the transformation required by today's schools. **In the Agorá innovation group, his interesting and valuable proposal is available, which can enlighten us so much in our actions.**

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THURSDAY

On **Thursday 19th** we lived a very enriching webinar learning from the experiences of many of our companions who in different parts of the world are creatively developing **spirituality in the daily practice of teaching in Marist schools. In the interiority group of Agorá, you will be able to find the interesting experiences that were shared.**

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FRIDAY

On **Friday 20th** we got together a group interested in promoting the knowledge of Marist Schools through the development of a sporting activity and we launched the **Champagnat Global Run**. If you are interested in learning more and want to promote it in your school, be sure to **visit the Champagnat Global Run Agorà group**.

START OF THE GLOBAL CITIZENSHIP COURSE

On **16 October 2023**, in the framework of the **Champagnat Global Week**, the **MOOC (Massive Open Online Course)** on Global Citizenship was launched.

The course is an introduction to the theme of global citizenship and aims to help teachers and those responsible for Marist formation to further Marcellin Champagnat's purpose: "To form good Christians and virtuous citizens", in today's world which increasingly values respect and diversity, a commitment to social justice and the achievement of a more equitable and sustainable world.



The course consists of 6 modules:

Global citizens.

Bridge builders in a fragmented world.

Our Common Home / Integral Ecology.

Messengers of Peace.

Children's rights / Agents of change.

Global spirituality.

MOOCs, as their name suggests, are massive open courses, in this case for all those interested in learning and interacting about what it means to form global citizens in our educational reality. However, in its first edition it has been limited to a pioneering group of 150 members of the Marist educational community (directors, teachers and collaborators of Marist schools), selected by the coordination of mission and education of each of the administrative units of the Marist Institute, in order to validate the proposal for its mass launch.

The learning methodology is flexible, with 24-hour access to the platform, each student following his or her own pace.

Those who complete the course itinerary will receive a certification from the **Marist University PUCRS** (Brazil).

If you are interested in the course, it will soon be open to the entire Marist school community. For more information, please see the **FOLLOWING LINK**.

THE CHAMPAGNAT GLOBAL RUN IS ALREADY UNDERWAY

Sport and global networking go hand in hand in this project, presented last Global Week, which aims to establish contacts between Marist schools around the world.



The first to start was **Chamberí** (Madrid), which decided to begin with a nearby target: the **San José del Parque school**. What they did not know at the time was that they would be the second school in Spain to launch this initiative: **La Merced - Fuensanta** (Murcia). Once both schools established contact they decided to go together to their next destination: **Nª Sª de la Victoria** - Málaga.

Maristes Anna Ravell (Barcelona) was the third Spanish school to set off on a kilometre walk. The 3rd year ESO students were divided into three groups and each of them decided on a destination: **Christopher Columbus High, Colégio Marista Sao José** and **Istituto Fratelli Maristi**.

On the other side of the Atlantic, they've also laced up their trainers and are already covering kilometres, in this case, between countries.

On the one hand, the **Hidalgo school in Cocula (Mexico)** has a clear objective: **Christopher Columbus (Miami - United States)** and this is reflected in the **launch video of their first target school**. Santiago González, director of Hidalgo de Cocula, has already decided on his next destination and although it is still a secret, we can say that from this great little secondary school they are going to cross the pond with one objective: to raise awareness of the importance of learning languages among their pupils.

These four schools have already started to run kilometres, but two others are already organising the Global Run kick-off. This is the case of **Instituto Queretano San Javier** (Mexico) and **ICFP Diocese Baucau** (Timor).



Do you want to participate in this initiative? Here you have all the **information and details** about Global Run as well as the steps to register.

ONLINE MEETING OF NEW PERSONNEL FROM THE MARIST WORKS OF ECUADOR (NORANDINA) AND MARIST DIRECTORS IN FORMATION IN CHILE (PROVINCE OF SANTA MARÍA DE LOS ANDES) WITH CHAMPAGNAT GLOBAL

On 30 September, in the framework of the Life and Mission formation meeting, organised by the mission council and the education team of Ecuador in the city of Loja, to welcome the new personnel of the Marist works of Quito, Santo Domingo, Quevedo, Loja, Catacocha and Macará: Quito, Santo Domingo, Quevedo, Loja, Catacocha and Macará, the **executive secretary of Champagnat Global**, Javier Llamas, had the **opportunity to participate online and share with the 39 teachers and support staff the possibilities offered to them by the link to the Marist Global Network of Schools**.



similarly, on 19 October, Champagnat Global was present, by videoconference, at the meeting of **Marist directors from Chile** who are completing the Diploma in Marist Charismatic Leadership at the CEM.

At the meeting, participants discussed the importance of the formation of global citizens in the Marist school and how this should be part of the ethos of the school. They also talked about the importance of being an active part of the global network of Marist schools, Champagne Global, and how collaboration and creativity are fundamental to its success.

The need to work together in a world of uncertainty and constant innovation was discussed and how the network can help address these challenges.



look at the itinerary of the network, to analyse the strengths, the opportunities and the aspirations that this global space offers us and to get to know the different ways of getting involved in the opportunities that the platform offers us.

The meeting was also an opportunity to maintain personal contacts between each of the Mission coordinators and the executive secretariat of Champagnat Global and to make progress in the practical aspects of joining the network.

One of the most enriching aspects of this meeting was undoubtedly the conviviality, listening to each other, getting to know and understand the realities of each province and feeling united around a global project which, on the basis of personal closeness, greatly facilitates the development of the synergy necessary to promote shared strategies and initiatives.

From Champagnat Global, **we are grateful for the willingness and commitment of the mission commission of Africa to walk together as a global family.**

AFRICA AND CHAMPAGNAT GLOBAL MISSION COMMISSION MEETING



The experience of the first face-to-face meeting of Champagnat Global in Mexico 2022 was very enriching in terms of planning the future of the network of schools, but above all it generated bonds and a commitment to the project that is difficult to achieve without personal interaction. For various reasons, none of the members of the mission commission from the African region were able to participate in this meeting. The Nairobi meeting of the commission on 20-24 November 2023 was a good opportunity to replicate the same spirit experienced in Mexico.

The assembly of the Africa Mission Commission is made up of **Brothers Michel Mami (Madagascar), Isaac Kwame (West Africa), Michel Longena (Central East Africa), Paul Angulu (Nigeria) and Francis Jumbe (Southern Africa)**, with the presence of the Secretariat of Education and Evangelisation represented by **Brother José Sánchez Bravo.**

In the space dedicated to Champagnat Global, within the programmed agenda, an opportunity was taken to take a

CHAMPAGNAT GLOBAL-MEXICO 2022. THE RICHNESS OF MEETING EACH OTHER

From 28 November to 6 December 2022, the first face-to-face meeting of members of the Marist Global Schools Network: CHAMPAGNAT GLOBAL took place in Mexico City. The meeting had a very participative programme and was very enriching, as can be seen in the **network's itinerary document**, which presents the sequence of activities and, above all, the conclusions that emerged from each of the dynamics that took place. But seen from a distance, one year later, we can say that the Mexico 2022 meeting was transcendental for the network because it mainly made it possible:

The talk on prophetic networks at the service of the mission, given by Father Daniel Villanueva, is a reference when it comes to understanding the value of walking together in a network.



The conference provides extremely valuable contributions that are well worth spending some time reflecting on.

A **personal rapprochement** of the participants that fostered knowledge and affection among them and that has been vital to generate later synergies and collaborations. It also made it possible to integrate and adhere to a global project that has been created collaboratively but which is made up of administrative units and regions with very different realities. Thanks to this integration, **initiatives as a network** are becoming more common.

Outlining the guidelines that have made it possible to **define the roadmap** to be followed in Champagnat Global in the next stage: 2023-2025.

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On October 1st, Cristina Plaza joined the Champagnat Global team to take on the responsibilities of communication and digital marketing of the network, replacing Ángela Mediero, who for a few months accompanied us in the performance of this responsibility.

Cristina Plaza was born in Madrid, Spain, and studied at the Colegio Marista San José del Parque in Madrid.

From a very young age she has been linked and familiar with Marist life as her parents worked in the educational and administrative field of the Province of Ibérica.

She has a PhD in journalism, has worked as an editor in several media (Intereconomía, COPE, RTVE) and was part of the founding team of the digital newspaper El Liberal. In recent years **she has worked in a marketing and communications agency** (Royal) where she has worked with various clients at national and international level.

He is delighted to have the opportunity to develop his career at Marist because **she has a close relationship with the institution which he considers his family and the basis of all the values he has received since childhood.**

From Champagnat Global we are very happy to count on the professional and human quality of Cristina, who we are sure will be a great asset in the work of promoting communication in the Marist school environment, which seeks to walk more and more as a Global family.



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