

The John Paul II Post Doctoral Fellowship KICK-OFF MEETING

8 October 2025

16:30 – 18:30

Sala Torretta, III piano

Faculty of Social Sciences (FASS)

Pontifical University of Saint Thomas Aquinas – Angelicum

An intimate gathering to launch the Fellowship with the 2025 cohort, faculty mentors, and PASS leadership. Presentations will introduce personal projects, the joint initiative on social capital, and the program framework, concluding with a shared dinner for the post-docs.

PROGRAMME

16:30 – 16:45 | Welcome & Introduction

Greetings & Strategic Goals – *Sr. Helen Alford*

16:45 – 17:45 | Researcher Self-introductions

Persico • Pedroza • Mendelski • Fernandez Serrano • Cordisco

17:45 – 18:10 | Joint Project Vision & Goals

The Church's Data-Driven Analysis of Social Capital – *Fr. Albino Barrera*

18:10 – 18:30 | Programme Framework

Fellowship roadmap – *Isabella Cordisco*

18:30 | Closing Remarks & Shared Dinner

This meeting marks the start of the Rome section of the John Paul II Post-Doctoral Fellowship, which already began online in June. Its aim is to foster collaboration, dialogue and integral human development.