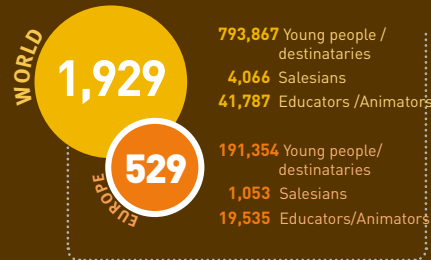


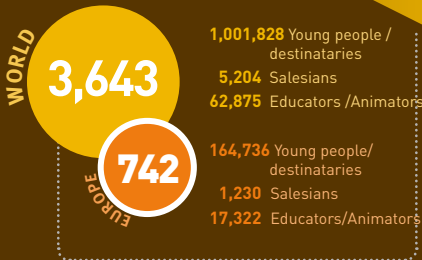
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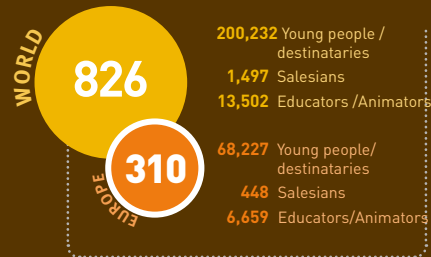
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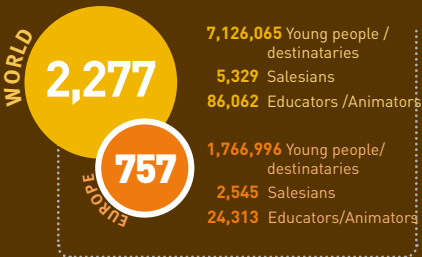
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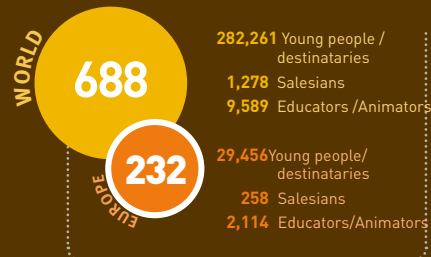
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### RESIDENCES/COLLEGES



## VOCATIONAL TRAINING CENTRES



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## WHAT WE MEAN?

### Our approach to... VET Centres

Motivated by a desire to ensure young people's dignity and future, Don Bosco set up trade workshops to help his youngsters find work and negotiating contracts for them to prevent exploitation. The Salesian Vocational Training Centre came into existence in Valdocco, Turin, to meet specific needs of young people integrating them within an overall project

of education and evangelisation of the young, especially those most in need.

Vocational training is an effective tool for holistic human development and an effective measure to prevent youth problems, promoting Christian leadership within society and development in the business world.

## WHO DOES IT?

### The Educative Community

Salesian religious and lay people are fully involved in an educational and pastoral role, according to the Salesian project, their professional competences, subject to regular updating. Their ethical approach and professional touch enhances interpersonal relationships that help students to develop a solid value-based foundation for life.

- Lay teachers share their experience of lay Christian life expressed in their life choices, knowledge and activities, including extra-curricular activities;
- Religious teachers testify their experiences as consecrated individuals, stimulating new ways of confronting culture and education according to a Christian outlook on life.



## WHAT WE DO?

### Our Educative Proposal

Vocational Training Centres promote human, Christian and professional formation of the young, responding to the natural abilities and predispositions of the young people seeking to enter the job market. We offer varied proposals: career guidance, education and training, updating and upgrading of skills that are in demand.

Pre-Vocational Training Centres offer a special set-up for social integration and preparation for employment. These include highly personalised opportunities to facilitate re-entry into formal schooling or an initiation into a desired field of work. Such training is designed to make young people aware of the working environment and prepare them for accessing the job market according to their aptitudes and abilities in a sector of their choice.

## HOW WE DO IT?

### Our Educative and Pastoral Project

Our Vocational Training Centres contribute to building up a more just society which better reflects people's worth and dignity. To achieve this:

- they are established in predominantly working-class localities where preference is given to young people in greater need;
- they actively fight all discrimination and exclusion;

- they give priority to the close accompaniment of all their students;
- they promote an organised model of social formation for all those involved;
- they endorse the idea of fairness and inclusion of young people in the working world, seeing that they receive educational support while maintaining a regular involvement with the world of industry.