



The Holy See

**ADDRESS OF JOHN PAUL II
TO THOSE TAKING PART IN THE COLLOQUIUM
ON THE 10th ANNIVERSARY OF THE EUROPEAN CONFERENCE
OF CHRISTIAN RADIO STATIONS**

Friday, 15 October 2004

1. I cordially greet you, dear participants in the Colloquium that is celebrating the 10th anniversary of the *European Conference of Christian Radio Stations*. I thank your President for the courteous words that he has addressed to me on behalf of all.

I rejoice with you: in these years, joining forces with many European radio stations from the Atlantic to the Urals, you have laboured to build up in listeners an awareness of their common Christian roots and to encourage the commitment to peace. You have thus made a precious contribution to building Europe on ethical and spiritual foundations, fostering understanding among the peoples of our Continent and bringing them closer to each other.

2. I urge you to persevere generously in this important mission. May your voices in the variety of your respective programmes continue to witness to Christ, the salvation of the world, and to proclaim his Gospel of peace to all.

I invoke divine assistance upon your work, as a pledge of which I impart my Blessing to you and willingly extend it to all your families and to all the listeners of your Radio Stations.