



The Pontifical Academicians



The Pontifical Academicians are no less than twenty and no more than forty men and women, ensuring suitable representation of the various disciplines of the social sciences and geographical regions. They are appointed by the Holy Father after being elected by the Academic body on the basis of their competences and outstanding contributions in the social sciences and of their moral integrity.

The Pontifical Academicians take part in the sessions organized by the Academy. Their deliberations and scientific papers are published by the Academy and they also have the right to propose candidates for nominations and subjects for work. They assemble in the Casina Pio IV in the Vatican.

The Academy is headed and governed by a President who acts with the assistance of the Council of the Academy. The President is appointed by the Supreme Pontiff, to whom he or she reports directly, and is assisted by the Chancellor. The President represents the Academy and directs its progress. The Council is made up of the President and five members of the Academy appointed by the Supreme Pontiff, on the proposal of the President, after consultation with the Academicians.

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