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## To : Evangelical Alliance of Italy Re: March for religious freedom and pluralism in the media.

Freedom of Religion and Belief encompasses many core freedoms - freedom of conscience, of association, of expression, and the freedom to change one's thinking. It is a litmus test of democracy and, arguably, of the health of any society.

The World Evangelical Alliance (WEA), which serves 420 million people of evangelical conviction globally, therefore warmly welcomes and supports this rally in Rome to draw attention to issues of Freedom of Religion and Belief.

We wish this cooperative initiative well. We are very grateful to the Italian Evangelical Alliance (the WEA member body in Italy) for facilitating the initiative.

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