

Young Salesians and accompaniment

Orientations and Guidelines



The document has been approved by the Rector Major and his Council and presented to GC28, welcoming some integrations proposed during the Chapter.

It is the result of a process that involved over 4000 participants, 86% of the young people in formation in 2017 and 538 guides.

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trono San Francesco di Sales è un altro appello perché recuperiamo la centralità del cuore nel nostro carisma e nel nostro sistema educativo, e perché torniamo a dare all'accompagnamento spirituale il posto prominente che gli spetta sia nella proposta pastorale di chi si ispira a Don Bosco, sia nei processi di formazione dei suoi salesiani.

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Rettor Maggiore
Sacro Cuore - Roma, 15 agosto 2019



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4000 participants



86% of the young people in formation

GIOVANI SALESIANI E ACCOMPAGNAMENTO

Risultati di una ricerca internazionale

Presentazione di Ivo Coelho e Fabio Attard

538 Salesian guides

To facilitate the STUDY and ASSIMILATION by the young people in formation, their communities and the formation teams “10 SEEDS” are offered, one each month from September 2020 to June 2021, focused on the most relevant themes.

Each ‘seed’ is introduced by a short video made by young SDBs and accompanied by a presentation (PowerPoint – PDF).

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A close-up photograph of a person's hands typing on a laptop keyboard. The laptop screen is visible in the background, showing a web browser with various icons and text. The image is overlaid with large, semi-transparent, light-colored text that reads "STUDY" and "ASSIMILATION".

STUDY ASSIMILATION

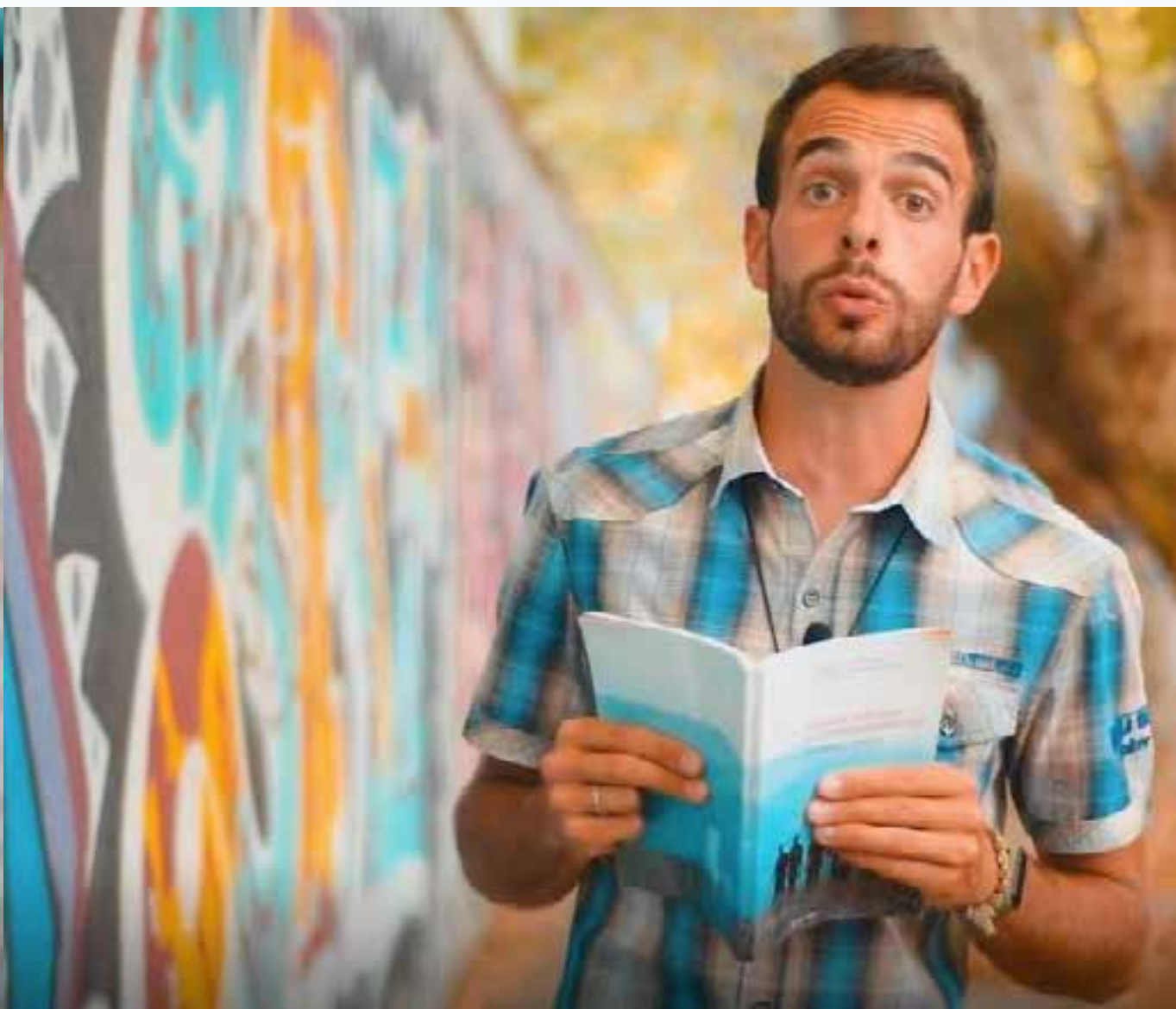
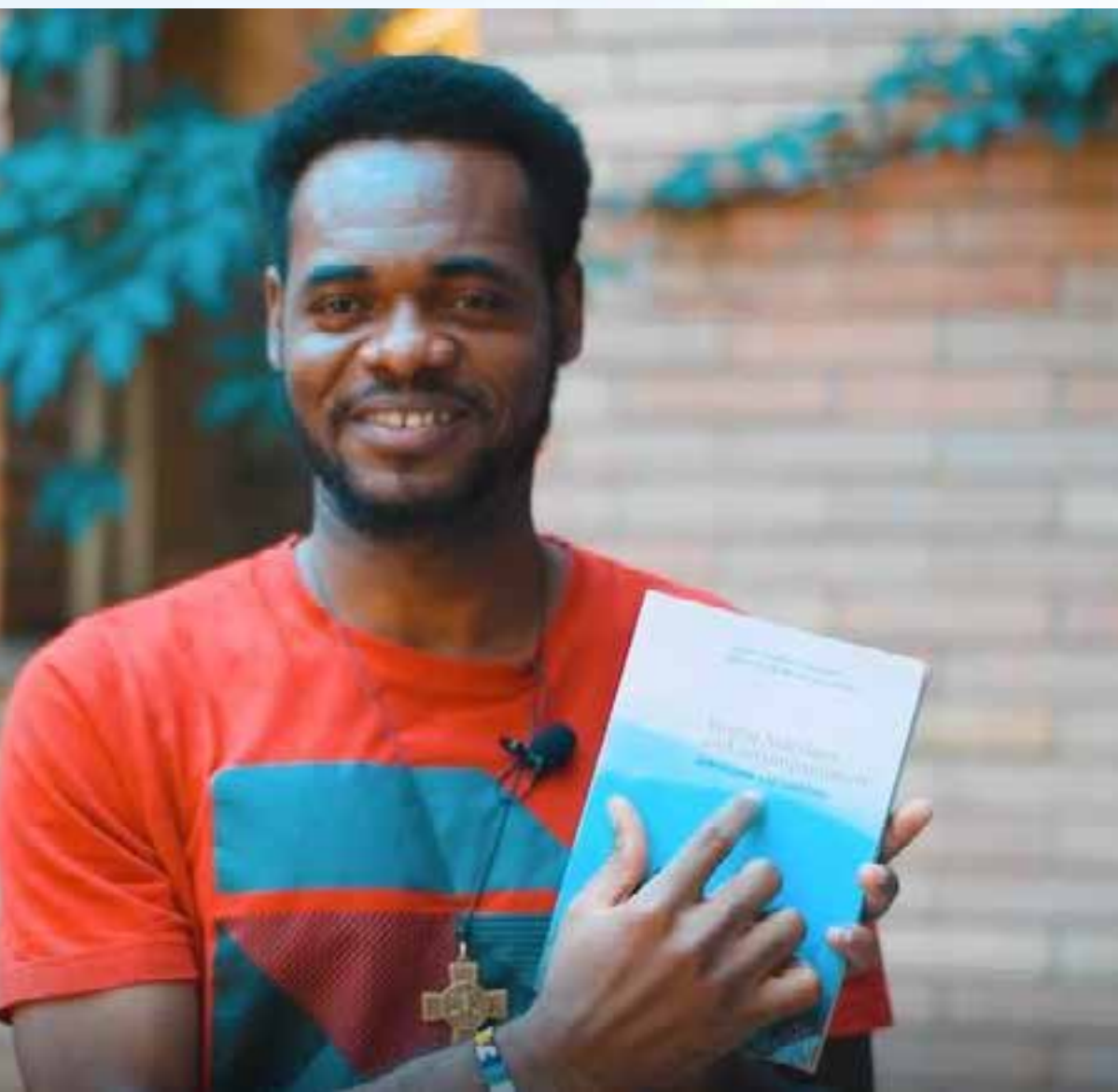
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2020 2021





FIRST SEED (September 2020):

We are a Congregation of YOUNG SALESIANS: not only sent to the young, but made by a very large number of young people, novices and confreres.

This is a striking evidence emerged in the research on accompaniment and it is a grace to be welcomed and treasured: 3464 SDBs (24% of the total) below 35 years of age.

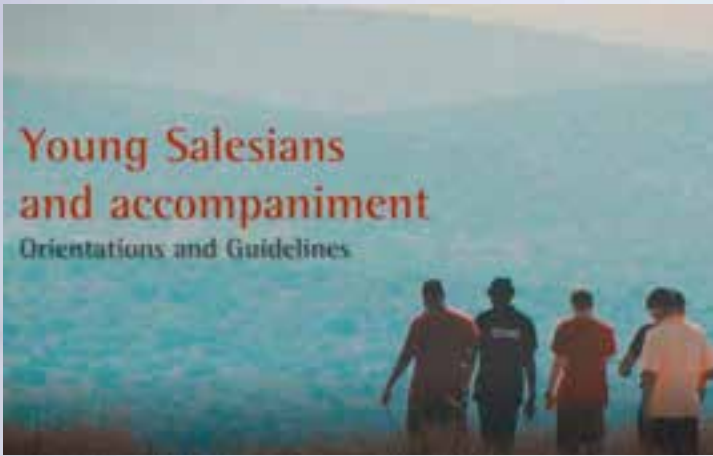
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A young man with dark skin and short hair, wearing a red shirt, is shown from the chest up. He is pointing his right index finger towards the camera with a serious expression. The background is a blurred brick wall with some green foliage on top. The overall lighting is soft, and the colors have a slightly muted, cinematic feel.

1. YOUNG SALESIANS 🔍



Chapter 1 of the document, and more specifically from N. 23 to N. 27

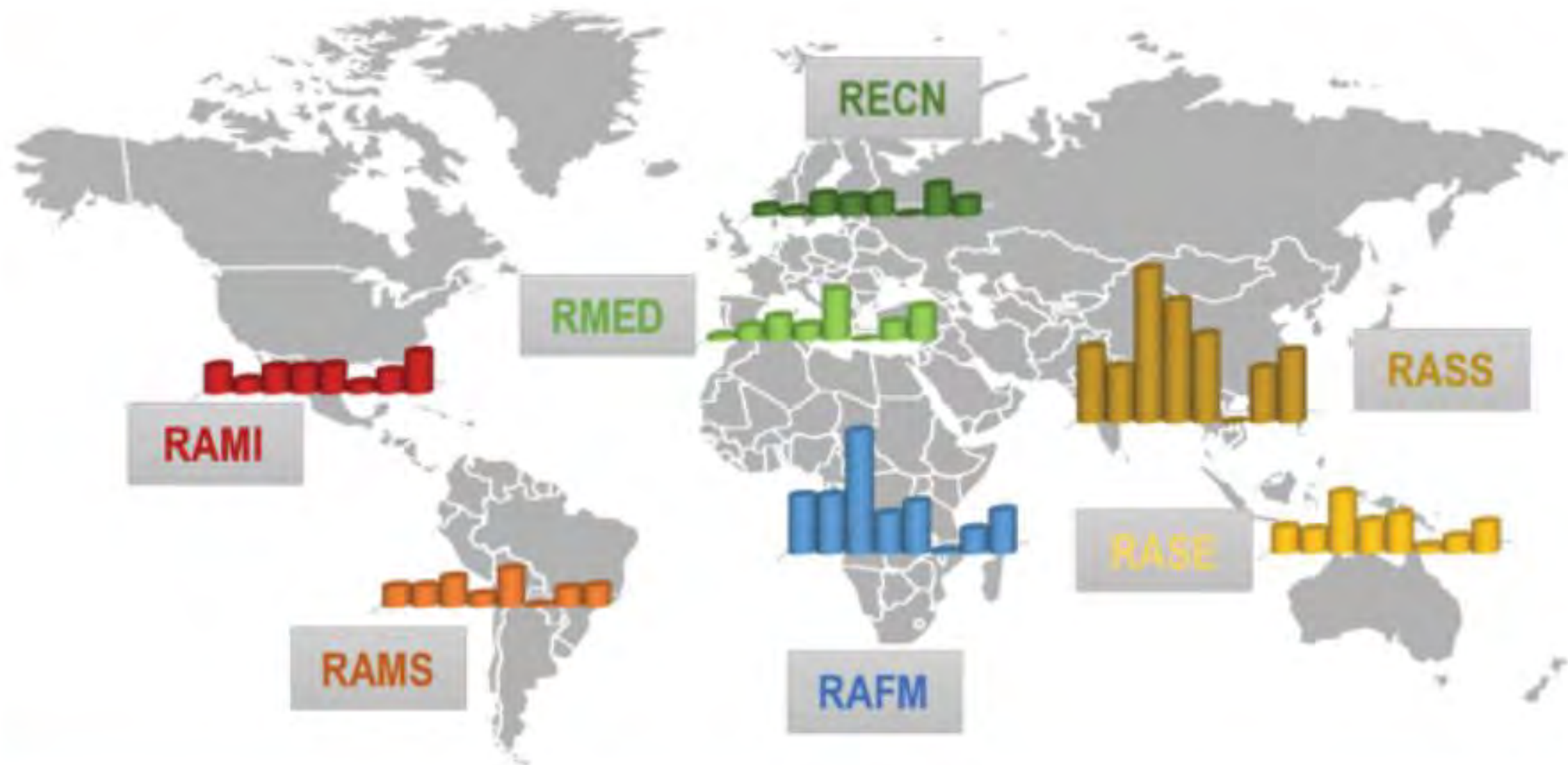




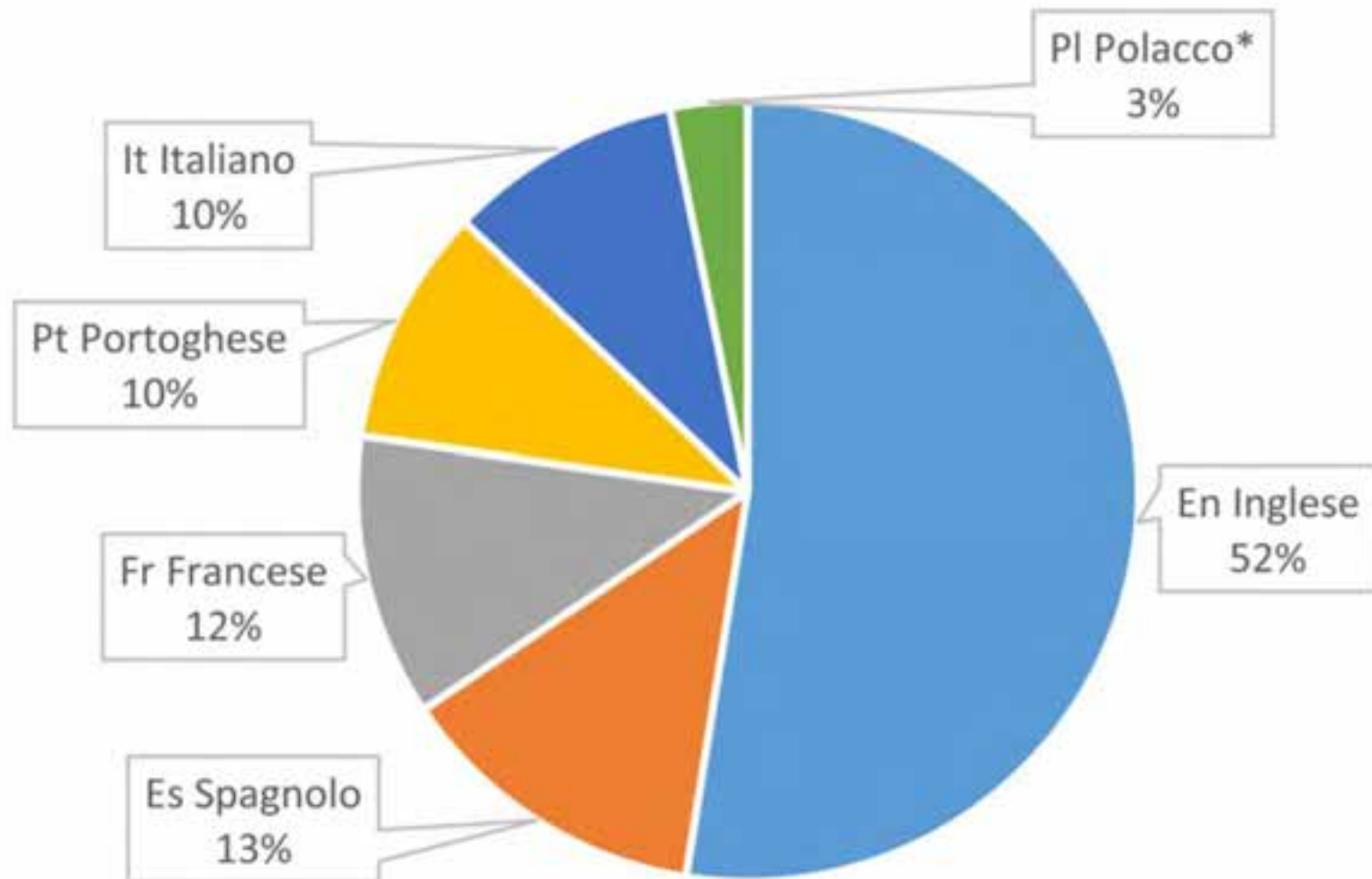
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SDBs below 35 years
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Respondents to the research made on Young Salesian and Accompaniment

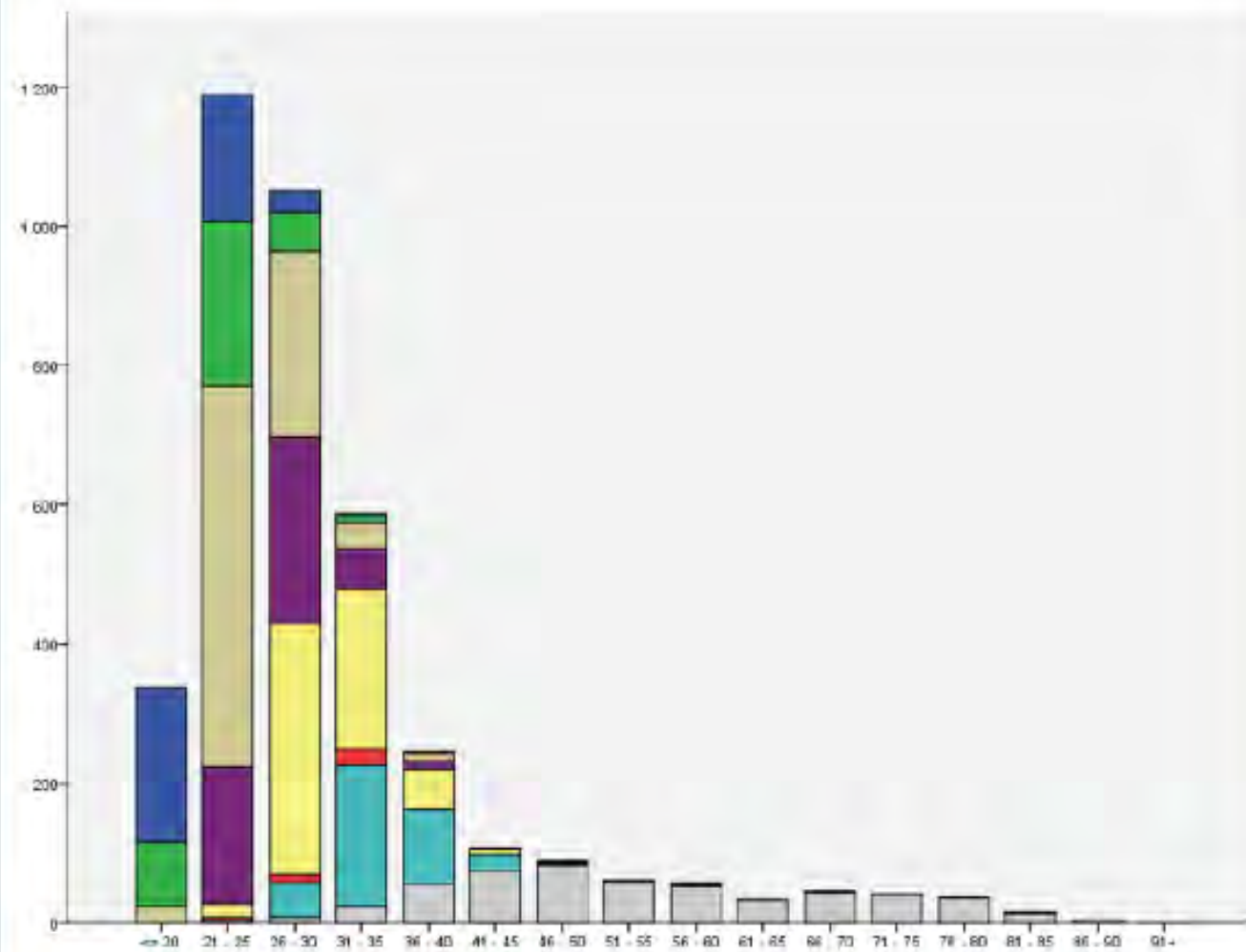
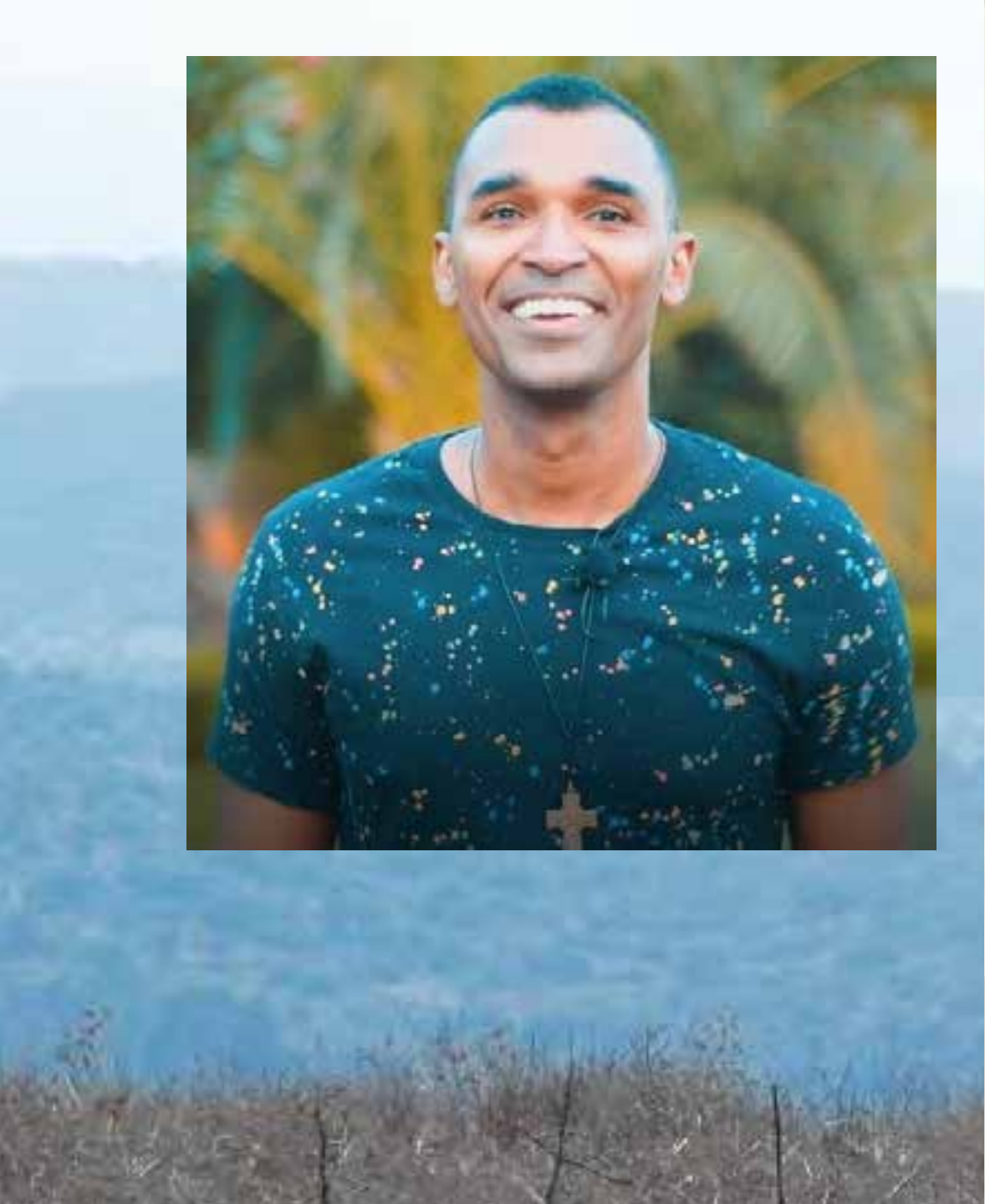
	Frequency of questionnaires filled and submitted	Percentages according to provincial Flash reports
Prenovices	455	87
Novices	399	92
Postnovices	903	93
Practical Trainees	554	78
Specific, Theology	701	87
Specific, Brothers	54	79
Quinquennium	369	41
Spiritual guides	538	-
Total	4.000	-



Questionnaire on Accompaniment 2017 (4000 SDB):
the choice of language shows that 52% of young SDB in the world use English, 13% use Spanish, etc.



The younger the SDB group, the higher the number of those who have chosen English in responding.
E.g.: the post-novices who answered were 93% of the postnovices of that year.
59.4% of them responded in English.



Formation phase

Prenovitiate

Novitiate

Postnovitiate



Practical Training

Specific, Theology

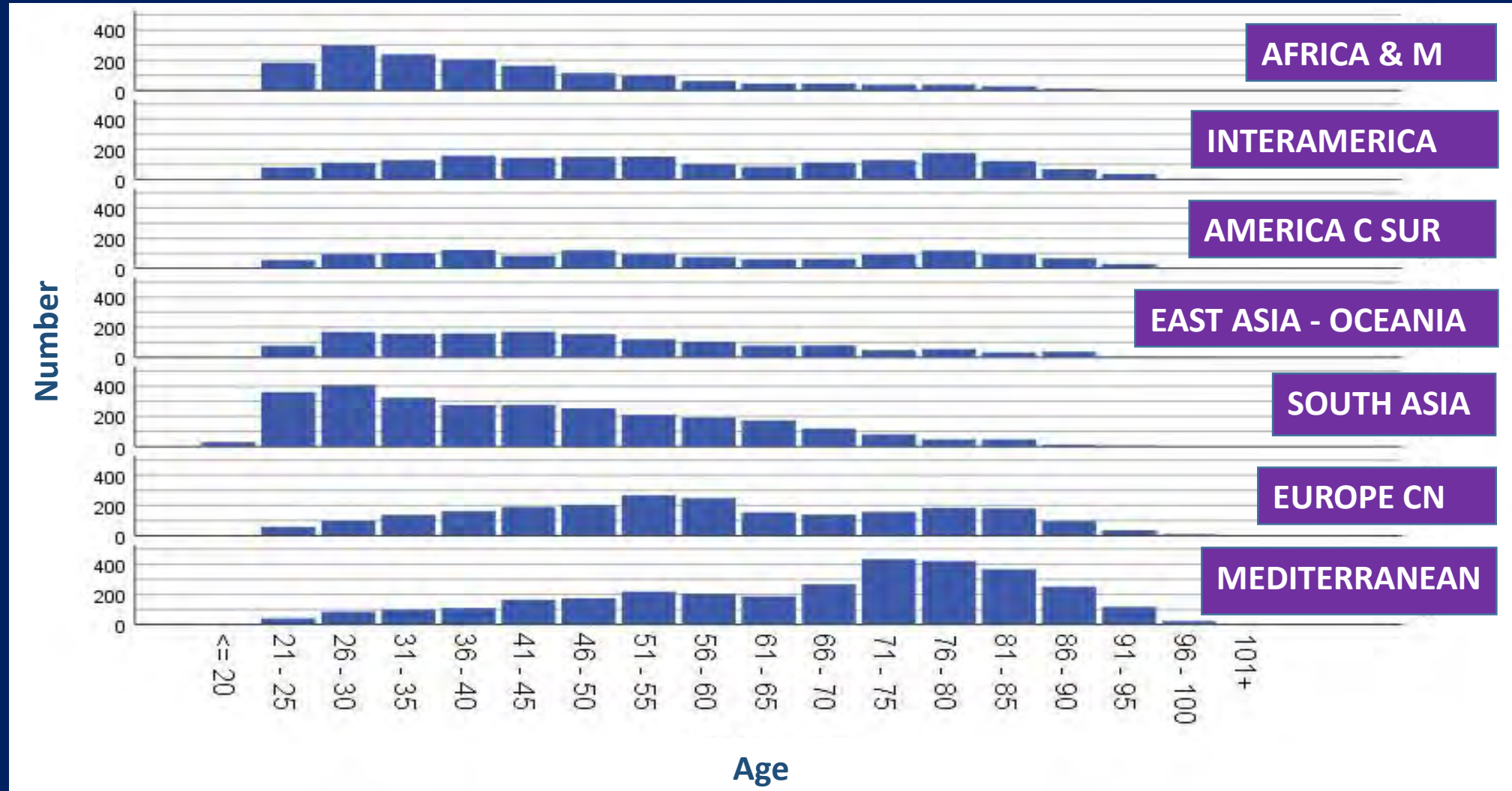
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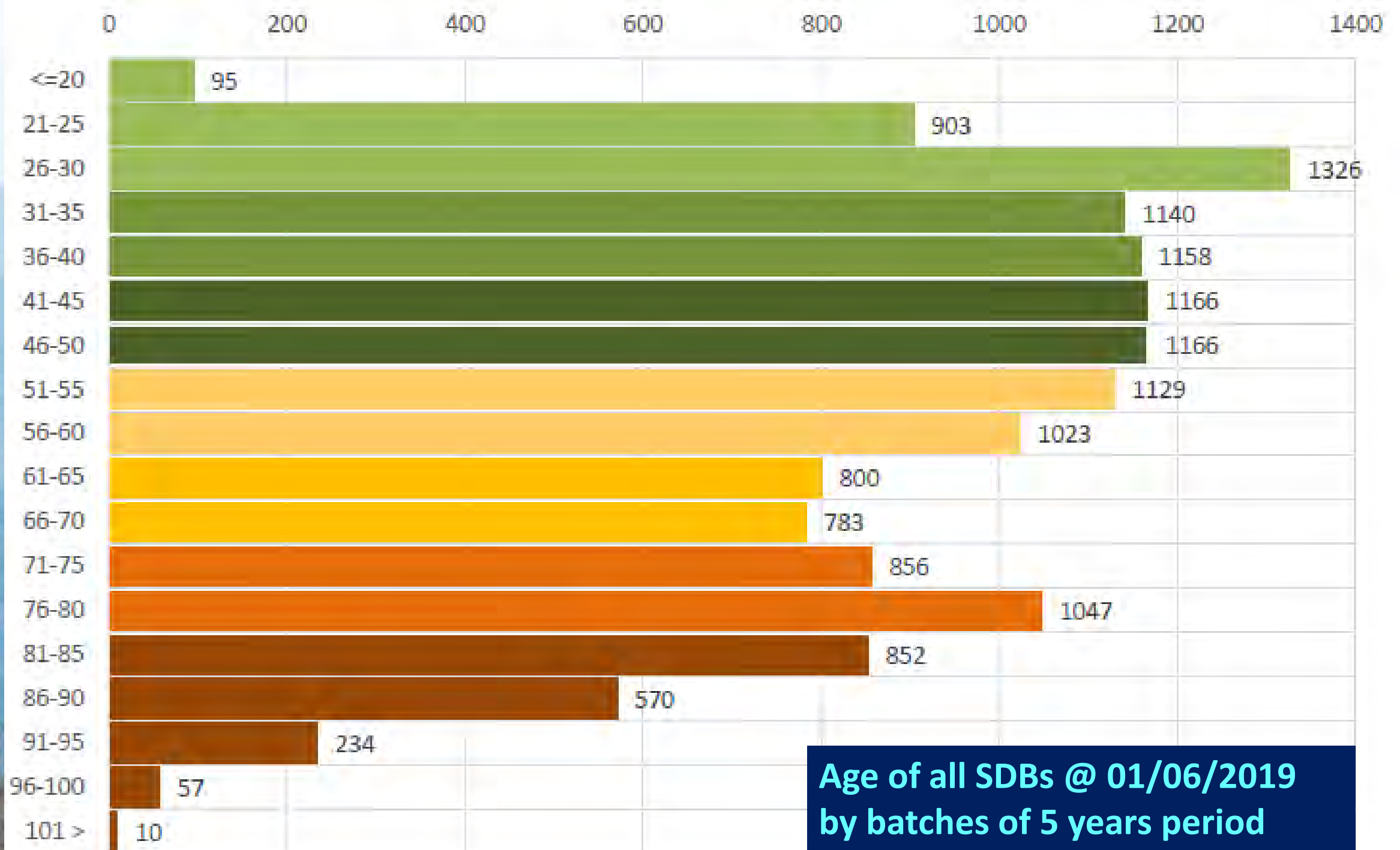
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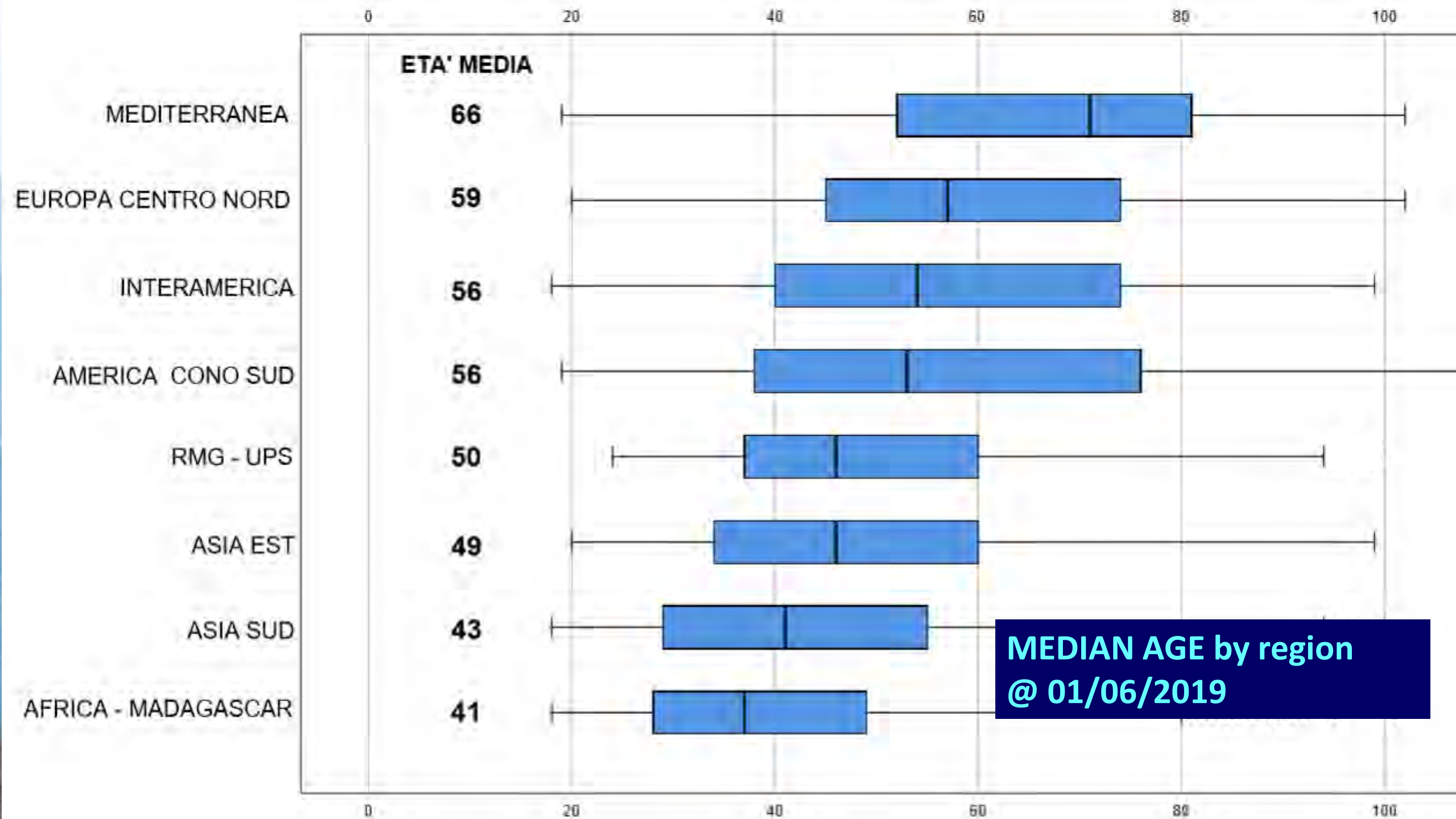
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Salesian Guides

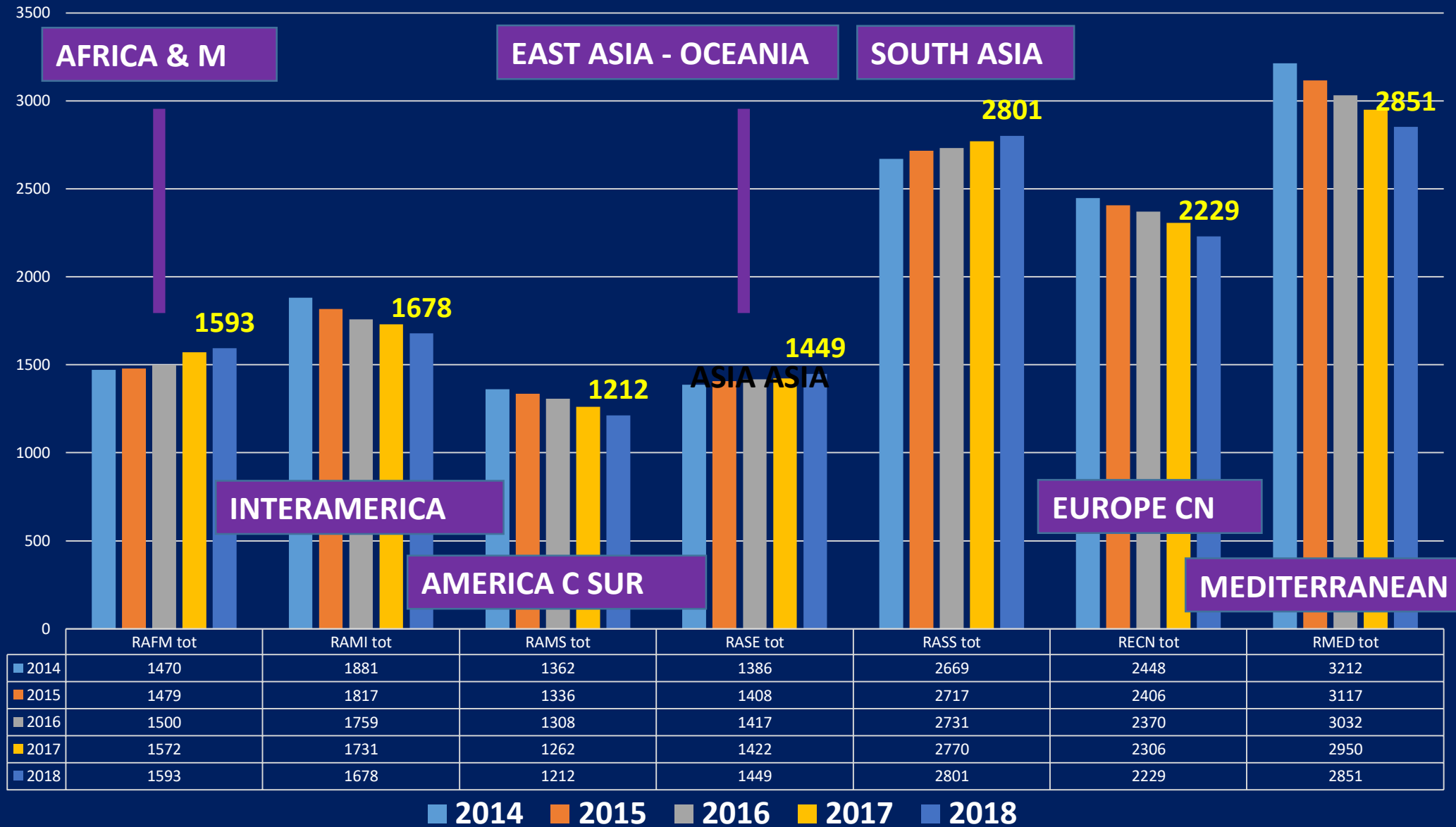
Anagraphical outlook of the entire SDB population, novices included (N=14758) @ 31st December 2017



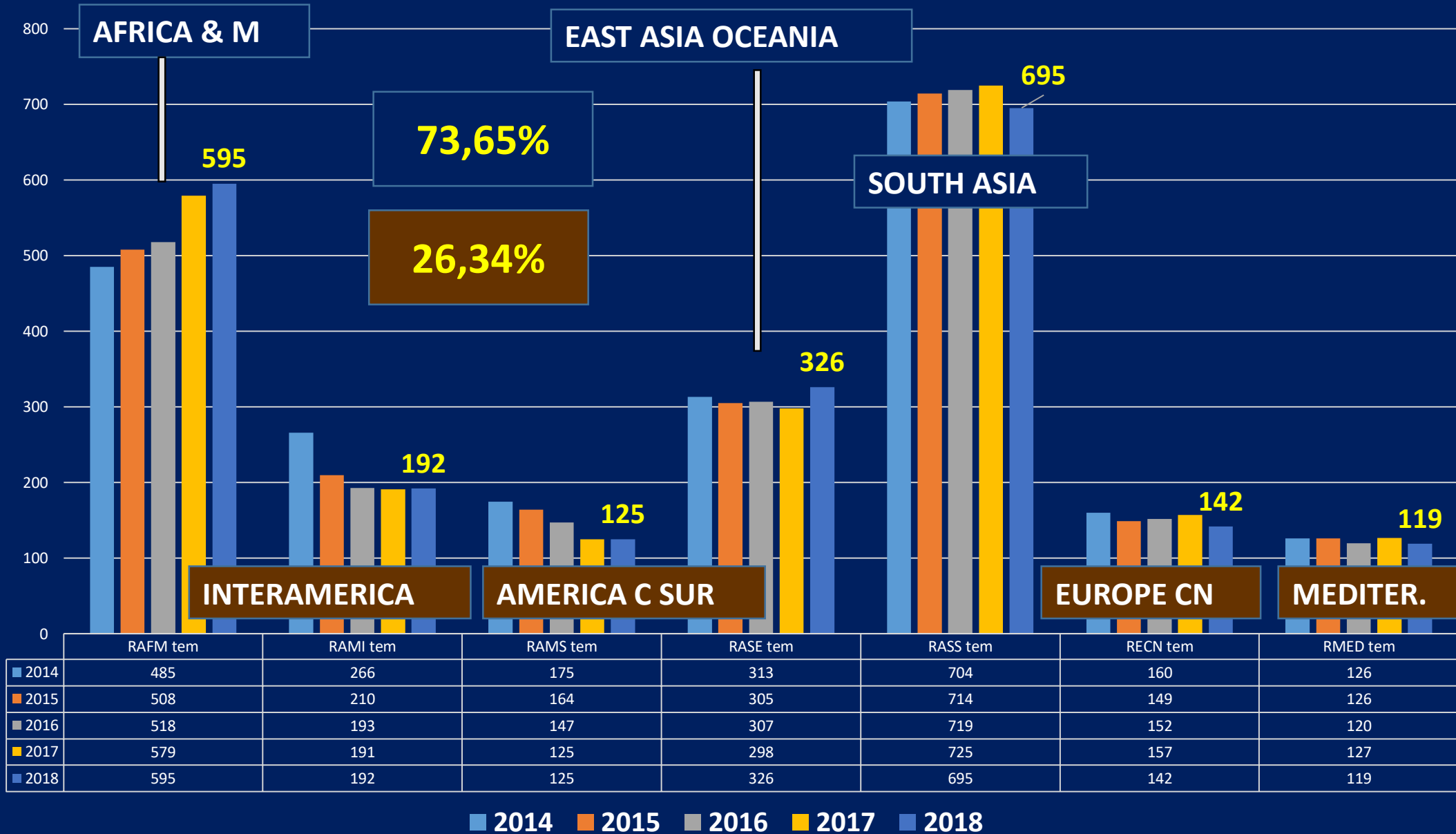




Total SDBs professed 31/12/2018



Total SDBs in temporary vows 2014 - 2018



To be so many YOUNG SDBs is a formidable resource of the Church for young people, as Pope Francis reminded us at GC28:

“The universal presence of your Salesian Family is a stimulus and an invitation to guard and preserve the richness of many of the cultures in which you are immersed”.

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QUESTIONS to enhance
personal reflection
and community sharing.

1.

How do we cherish the
SENSE OF BELONGING
to the Church and to our
Salesian Congregation?
Do we share in the great
HORIZONS which the Church
and the Congregation open
before us?



**QUESTIONS to enhance
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2.

**How do we take
INTERNATIONALITY and
INTERCULTURALITY?**

**Are they perceived
as a problem or
as a valuable resource?**



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personal reflection
and community sharing.**

3.

**How the
DIALOGUE BETWEEN
GENERATIONS
works within our
formation community?**



Beside personal reflection and community reflection there is a LARGER FORUM OF SHARING, transversal to Regions and languages, at the following Google Doc link:



<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1hk41CubZIAMco601A7wTlyQEIb34gu1y5lTtajT-p0E/edit?usp=sharing>





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per la FORMAZIONE