

*From the courage of our
ancestors: Deepening our
cultural paradigms*



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I. Our Place in Time: University of Padova

Libertas scholastica



II. Feeling the courage of our scholarly ancestors



III. Hopes and Dreams, Worries and Fears: We asked, you told us!



IV. The Next Phase of Cross-cultural Collaboration

- Address significant societal needs
- Sustainable
- Cross-national and Cross-disciplinary
- Long-term and Programmatic
- Deep Level of Mutual Trust and Respect
- Passion and Heart

V. The need for expanding cultural competence in ourselves and the next generation

- Growing recognition of the need
- Some key competencies:
 - Greater sensitivity/understanding of psychological dynamics (self and other)
 - Understanding our abilities and cultural tendencies
 - Effectiveness in work and social relations
 - Ability to cope and problem solve



One example

- Understanding the disadvantaged
- The case of Ricky



VI. Breaking old chains to discover something new

