

Pope Francis announces the Appointment of Fr. Andrew KAUFHA, SMM

VATICAN – Thursday, 29th September 2022, Pope Francis announced the appointment of ten new consultants to the Dicastery for Communication at the Vatican. Fr. Andrew KAUFHA, SMM, a member of the Company of Mary is one of them.

Fr. Andrew Ulemu KAUFHA, SMM is currently the Coordinator of the Social Communications Department of the Association of Member Episcopal Conferences of Eastern Africa (AMECEA) in Nairobi, Kenya.

In the official letter signed by the Vatican's Secretary of State, His Eminence Pietro Cardinal Parolin, the message reads, "The Supreme Pontiff Francis has appointed the Rev. Father Andrew KAUFHA, SMM as a Consultant for Communication for five years."



Fr. Andrew who will continue with his work at AMECEA Secretariat in Africa shared more about his appointment with AMECEA Online:

"This is not so much about me but all of us working in Church communication in AMECEA region, especially my colleagues here at AMECEA Secretariat. I would want to believe that Pope Francis appreciates people who listen and consult."

Aside from Fr. Andrew, the other new consultants are:

- Father George Plathottam of the Salesians of Don Bosco and the Secretary of the Office of Social Communication of the Federation of Asian Bishops' Conferences;
- Helen Osman, President of SIGNIS, or the World Catholic Association for Communication;
- Oscar Elizade Prada, Coordinator of the Department of Communication of CELAM;
- Father Fabio Pasqualetti, Dean of the Faculty of Communication Sciences at the Pontifical Salesian University;
- Sister Veronica Donatello, Head of the National Service for the Pastoral Care of Persons with Disabilities of the Italian Bishops' Conference;
- Sister Adelaide Felicitas Ndilu, National Executive Secretary of the Commission for Social Communications of the Kenyan Bishops' Conference and Director of Radio Waumini;
- Tomas Insua, Executive Director of the Laudato Si movement;
- Professor Antonio Cisternino, President of the University of Pisa's Ateneo Information System;
- John E. Corcoran, Founder of Trinity Life Sciences.