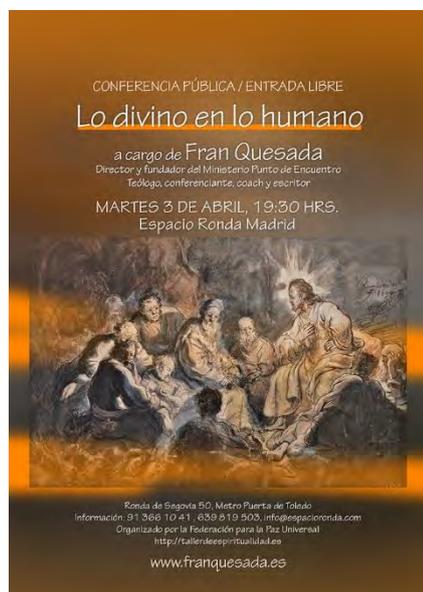


# Spirituality Workshop – Interreligious Series

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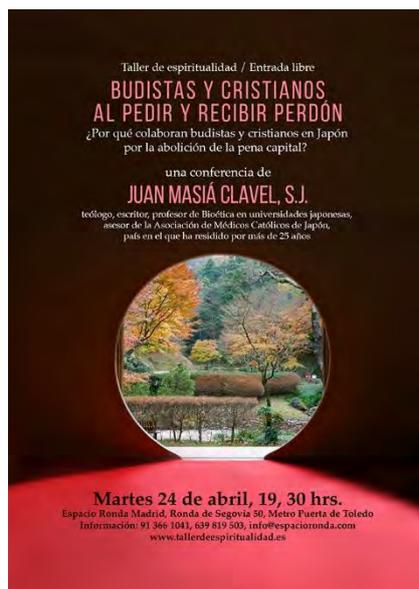
## First lecture:

“The divine in the human”. Fran Quesada: Theologian, lecturer, coach and motivator. General Director and founder of the Punto de Encuentro Ministry with the aim of helping people to fulfill their purpose and know true love. He is a prominent speaker at national and international level, has been invited to numerous conferences around the world, in countries such as the United States, Brazil, Guatemala, Venezuela, Italy, Switzerland among others, as well as throughout the Spanish territory. His name is a must when talking about leadership and personal and business motivation.



## Second lecture:

"The path of the human being towards the awareness". A conference by Enrique Miguel Sánchez Motos, Unificationist, writer, director of "Encuentros con el Amor". What is conscience? What does it mean to be aware? What has been the path to the appearance of the conscious being and what path remains until the awareness?



## Third lecture:

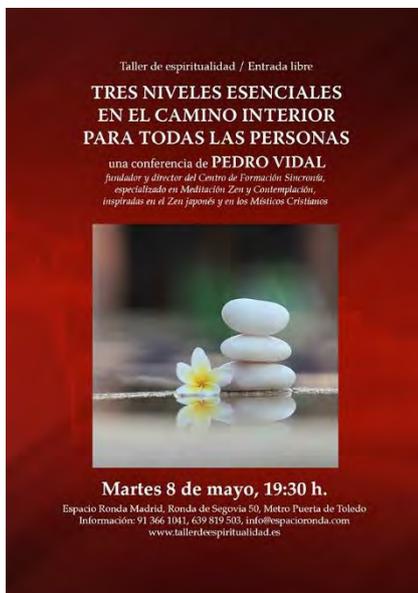
"Buddhists and Christians, when asking and receiving forgiveness. Why do Buddhists and Christians collaborate in Japan for the abolition of capital punishment?". A lecture by Juan Masiá Clavel, theologian, writer, professor of Bioethics at Japanese universities. Juan Masiá Clavel S.J. (Murcia, 1941) is a Spanish Jesuit theologian, teacher and writer. He has lived more than twenty-five years in Japan. He was director of the Department of Bioethics at the Institute of Life Sciences of the Japanese University of Sofia, and professor of Bioethics and Anthropology at the Faculty of Theology of the same university. He was a visiting professor of philosophical anthropology from 1988 to 1998 at the Universidad Pontificia Comillas and has directed the Chair of Bioethics of the same University from 2004 to 2006. As a counselor of the Association of Catholic Doctors of Japan and a contributor to bioethics committees of the Conference The Japanese Episcopal has dealt with issues of ethics of life in a theological perspective. He is also a collaborator in Tokyo of the Catholic Commission of Justice and Peace and of the Japanese

section of the World Conference of Religions for Peace. He is one of the signatories of the manifesto In the face of the ecclesial crisis, along with 300 other Christian thinkers.



## Fourth lecture:

“A Vision of Islam for the Current World” by Seyed Ali Talqani, Imam of the Kufa Mosque in Iraq. Espacio Ronda has the honor to sponsor the public conference of Seyed Ali Talqani, one of the most important scholars of Iraq today. Imam Talqani was born in 1984 in the city of Kerbala, the city of Imam Hussein from which Talqani descends. He studied more than 18 years in the city of Nayaff and became known for his educational talks, his dedication to young people and his fight for human rights, so much so that he won the position of being the imam of one of the most important mosques: the Mosque of Kufa. Seyed Ali Talqani is giving lectures in different European cities to present a current vision of Islam, in favor of a spirituality open to all religious confessions and away from excessive politicization. His lectures are being held in public centers, churches and various places of worship, in order to show that openness and help spread a moderate stance of Islam. That effort is winning the respect of many Iraqi citizens who want to overcome the current tension between the different positions. This is a unique opportunity to learn about the situation in Iraq seen from the inside by an exceptional witness. We encourage you to participate in that day.



### Fifth lecture:

“Three Essential Levels in the Inner Path for all people”. A conference by Pedro Vidal, director of the Sincronía Training Center, specialized in Zen Meditation and Contemplation. Pedro Vidal López was born in 1956, is married, has two children and lives in Murcia. He founded in the year 2006 and since then directs the Sincronía Training Center, specialized in Zen Meditation and Contemplation, inspired by Japanese Zen and Christian Mystics (San Juan de la Cruz and San Ignacio de Loyola). After a long period of training that began in 1983 in Spain, Germany and especially in Japan, Pedro Vidal achieved the title of Zen Master and specialist in Zen Meditation and Contemplation, as well as Zen Relaxation and Concentration.

His first contact with Zen took place in 1982 when he was 26 years old, through José Sánchez Ramos, a Christian priest, who initiated him both in the knowledge of Zen and in the study of San Juan de la Cruz. Later he met the teachers Enomiya Lassalle (Jesuit and Zen master), Willigis Jäger (Benedictine and Zen master) and Ana Maria Schlüter (Christian nun and Zen teacher). In February 1990 he went to Japan to meet the Japanese teacher Arao Arai (teacher of Gyoga Zen), who taught him the Yasenkanna method of Hakuin's health and the practice of Self-massage by the Zen Master Hakuin Zenshi (1685-1768). Thanks to the teacher Arao Arai, he met the teacher Koyama Shikei. In 1991, he returned to Japan to receive teaching from this teacher, from which he would receive in 2005 the Zen master certificate.

From 2005 to 2009, after studying all the Kōan Zen with the teacher Koyama Shikei, they decided to look for similarities between the poetry of San Juan de la Cruz and the Kōan Zen, hence the book "Kōan inspired by San Juan de la Cruz". In 2009, after contacting Kadowaki Kakichi, S.J. (Jesuit and Zen teacher) and want to learn with him, he wants to know the Spiritual Exercises of Saint Ignatius, through his Zen: Zen-Ignaciano. In the summer of 2010 he travels to Japan to begin teaching with the Zen master and Jesuit Kadowaki Kakichi. Until his death in 2017, he travels to Japan every summer to receive his teachings for one or two months.



### Sixth lecture:

The Common Ethics in the different Religious Traditions

In charge of the Archimandrite Demetrio Rogelio Sáez Carbó, Vicar General of the Orthodox Archbishopric of Spain and Portugal. Our lecturer on this occasion will be Archimandrite Demetrio (Rogelio Sáez Carbó), Archimandrite of the Orthodox Archbishop of Spain and Portugal belonging to the Ecumenical Patriarchate of Constantinople, parish priest of Valladolid, Segovia and Lanzarote, Vicar for the center and north of Spain, Gibraltar and Islands Canary Islands, and monk of the Monastery of San Nicolás Varsas in Greece. Rogelio Sáez Carbó actively participates in different ecumenical and interreligious forums at national and international level.