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Resignations and Appointments

Episcopal appointment of the secretary of the Dicastery for the Eastern Churches

Appointment of ordinary members of the Pontifical Academy of Sciences

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The Holy Father has appointed the Revrend Fr. Michel Jalakh, O.A.M., secretary of the Dicastery for the Eastern Churches, as titular archbishop of Nisibis dei Maroniti.

Appointment of ordinary members of the Pontifical Academy of Sciences

The Holy Father has appointed the following as ordinary members of the Pontifical Academy of Sciences: the distinguished Professors **Andrea Mia Ghez**, professor of Astrophysics at the Department of Physics and Astronomy of the University of California, Los Angeles; **Örjan Mikael Gustafsson**, professor of Environmental Sciences at Stockholm University; **Demis Hassabis**, co-founder and chief executive office of *Google DeepMind*; **Didier Patrick Queloz**, professor of Physics at the University of Cambridge; **Rafael Radi Isola**, head of the Department of Biochemistry of the *Universidad de la República* in Montevideo; and **Batmanathan Dayanand Reddy**, professor emeritus of Appliled Mathematics at the University of Cape Town.

Curriculum vitae of Professor Andrea Mia Ghez

The distinguished Professor Ghez was born on 16 June 1965 in New York, United States of America. She

graduated in Physics from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and was awarded a research doctorate in Physics from the California Institute of Technology. She is professor of Astrophytics at the Department of Physics and Astronomy of the University of California, Los Angeles. She has received numerous honours and awards, including the Nobel Prize for Physics in 2020.

Curriculum vitae of Professor Örjan Mikael Gustafsson

The distinguished Professor Gustafsson was born on 4 January 1968 in Skövde, Sweden. He was awarded a doctorate in Chemistry from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He is professor of Environmental Sciences at Stockholm University, Sweden. He is the author of numerous publications and a member of the Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences.

Curriculum vitae of Professor Demis Hassabis

The distinguished Professor Hassabis was born on 27 July 1976 in London, Great Britain. After graduating in Computer Science Tripos from Queen's College, University of Cambridge, he was awarded a doctorate in Cognitive Neurosciences from University College London. He is the co-founder and chief executive officer of *Google DeepMind*. He has received several awards and honours, including the Pius XI Medal of the Pontifical Academy of Sciences.

Curriculum vitae of Professor Didier Patrick Queloz

The distinguished Professor Queloz was born on 23 February 1966 in Geneva, Switzerland. He was awarded a doctorate in Astonomy and Astrophysics from the University of Geneva. He is professor of Physics at the University of Cambridge, Great Britain, and of the *Eidgenössische Technische Hochschule Zürich*, Switzerland. He has received numerous honours, including the Wolf Prize in Physics and the Nobel Prize for Physics in 2019.

Curriculum vitae of Professor Rafael Radi Isola

The distinguished Professor Radi Isola was born on 7 May 1963 in Montevideo, Uruguay. He was awarded a doctorate in General Medicine and a doctorate in Biochemistry from the *Universidad de la República* in Montevideo. In the same university, he is head of the Department of Biochemistry, director of the *Centre de Investigaciones Biomédicas* and coordinator of the *Laboratorio de Oncología Básica y Biología Molecular*. He is president of the *Academia Nacional de Ciencias del Uruguay* and the author of numerous publications.

Curriculum vitae of Professor Batmanathan Dayanand Reddy

The distinguished Professor Reddy was born on 10 March 1953 in Port Elizabeth, South Africa. He was awarded a doctorate in Mechanics from the University of Cambridge, Great Britain. He was president of the International Science Council and director of the Center for Research in Computational and Applied Mechanics of the University of Cape Town, South Africa. He is professor emeritus of Applied Mathematics at the same university. He has received numerous honours and awards, including the Order of Mapungubwe and the Georg Foster

Research Award.