

## **ACC-15 – Inter-Anglican Standing Commission on Unity, Faith and Order (IASCUFO)**

### **Relationships of Communion: Old Catholic Churches of the Union of Utrecht**

The churches of the Anglican Communion have been in a relationship of communion with the churches of the Old Catholic Union of Utrecht since the adoption of the Bonn Agreement in 1931. An Anglican Old Catholic International Coordinating Council has been established to oversee this relationship. During the past few years it has been building on the Bonn Agreement to put in place a vision for joint mission in Europe where the churches exist side by side, (The reason that the report only addresses mission in Europe is that the Old Catholic Churches are only on the European continent, even though the whole of the Anglican Communion is in communion with them.)

The attached paper, *Belonging together in Europe: A joint statement on aspects of ecclesiology and mission* is being sent to the ACC, as it has been sent to the Old Catholic International Bishops Council. At ACC it will be presented with a resolution calling for the report to be commended as a sufficient basis on which to proceed to further concrete proposals for common mission on the European continent, and asking for a renewed mandate for the Coordinating Council.