

SK Joaquim Pinto Coelho

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SK Sir Knight Joaquim José Vieira Pinto Coelho was born July 19, 1950, in Algarve, Portugal and married Lilian del Carmen in 1975. He is an educator, researcher, and human resource management consultant and holds a Ph.D. in Organizational Psychology from the Université de Metz (France). He has been a professor of quantitative methods (1974-2017), a part of the Vocational Training European Network as CEO in Brussels, a General Director of a vocational training institute and of the Department of Labor in Lisbon, and an advisor to the Secretary of State for Vocational Training, and the Ministry of Labor. It is currently retired He is a member of Mercúrio Lodge in Portugal, and North Pole Lodge in Alaska, and was a founder of several Lodges. He was Past Master of Acácia Lodge and Ad-hoc Assistant of the Grand Master for Macao. He is Honorary Grand Master of the Regular Grand Loge of Portugal, and a Grand Officer and a Grand Cross of Gen. Gomes Freire de Andrade Order for outstanding service. He is a member of Mosteiro de Alcobaça Chapter, Past High Priest of Mosteiro dos Jerónimos Chapter and of the Anointed High Priests of Germany and Belgium. He is a Past Grand High Priest of Portugal (founder), an honorary member of the Grand Chapter of Germany and of the Grand Chapter of Romania and served as Second Grand Surveillant d'Honneur of the GL de Marque, France. He served as Illustrious Master of Mosteiro Flor da Rosa Council, Trice Illustrious Master of the Grand Council of Germany, and M. Illustrious Grand Master of the Grand Council of Portugal (Founder) and received the Jeremy Cross Award from Brazil and the Columbian award of the G.G.C.C.M. International.

Sir Knight Coelho was knighted in Harry Miller Commandery in Germany, served as Commander of Henrique o Navegador Commandery and Grand Commander of Portugal (Founder). He is a member of Tabernacle A of the HRAKTP, a founder of Knight Preceptor in France, a member of Saint-Louis-en France of the Red Cross of Constantine in Paris, Puissant Souverain of Henrique de Bourgogne, Grand Chambelain, Grand Pécfect and Grand Inspector du Grand Conclave pour la France, and Chevalier Commander de Constantin.

In the Scottish Rite he is a 33rd member. He is Past Sovereign Master of the AMD, Supreme Ruler of the Secret Monitor, Knight Masons, W. Commander Noah of the Royal Ark Mariners, Honorary Member Fayette Council, and Commander of Knights Occidental. In the KYCH, he is a member of Prieuré "France" with 3 quadrants and is a member of the Royal Order of Scotland.

Sir Knight Coelho coordinated and translated the York Rite Bodies' rituals into Portuguese and introduced Cryptic Masonry, Knights Templar, Shrine, Red Cross of Constantine, HRAKTP and the Societas Rosicrucian into Portugal and Cryptic Masonry into Brazil in 2000.

Since 2002, he is the Supreme Magus of the Societas Rosicruciana in Lusitania and Honorary of the MSRCF, KGC. He has written several articles for different Masonic Portuguese magazines and other publications. Since 1998.

S.K Joaquim has already served as Department Commander for Europe during 2009-2012.

Joaquim was appointed & installed as the department commander for the Europe-Africa Department at the 68th Triennial Conclave of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America on August 18, 2021.