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## **Biography of M. Julia Prats**

M. Julia Prats was born in Terrassa (Spain) in 1964. She is an industrial engineer, with a doctorate in Business Administration, and a professor specializing in entrepreneurship and innovation. She has been Central Secretary of Opus Dei since April 2025.

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Her academic and research work focuses on entrepreneurship, innovation, and professional service firms. She has been a visiting professor at Wharton Business School (USA), IPADE (Mexico), INALDE (Colombia), and AESE (Portugal), among others.

She was a member of the council of the delegation of the Prelature of Opus Dei for Catalonia and Andorra between 2013 and 2017. From 2022 to 2024, she traveled to various circumscriptions of the Prelature to support the restructuring of those countries. She has been Central Secretary of Opus Dei since April 2025.

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