**“Religion, Civil Rights and Democracy”**

Conference of the international project “Religion and Human Rights”

10th – 13th December 2014 * Julius-Maximilians-University Würzburg

**TAGUNGSORT: HIMMELSPFORTEN**

**Wednesday, 10th December**

17:30-18:30 Opening session  
Room: Bernardus-saal (B)  
Welcome and Introduction  
*Hans-Georg Ziebertz* (University of Würzburg/DE)  
*Coordinator of the RHR program*

Reception  
in memory of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights on 10th December 1948

18:30 Buffett-dinner

**Thursday, 11th December**

8:00-9:00 Breakfast

9:00-10:15 Keynote  
Room (B)  
Chair: *Carl Sterkens* (Radboud University Nijmegen/NL)  
*Hans-Georg Ziebertz* (University of Würzburg/DE)  
*Predictors of attitudes towards human dignity. An empirical analysis among youth in Germany*

10:15-10:45 Break

10:45-12:15 Parallel collegial sessions

Collegial session 1  
Room (B)  
Chair: *Pål Botvar* (Centre for Church Research, Oslo/NO)  
*Modestus Adimekwe* (University of Würzburg; Nigeria/NG)  
*Attitudes towards freedom of religion among Nigerian students*

11:30-12:15  
*Lluis Oviedo* (Pontificia Università Antonianum, Rome/IT)  
*Religion and human rights in new Spanish conditions*
Collegial session 2  
Chair: Claudia Sarti (Emory University, Atlanta/US)

1045-1130  
Francesco Zaccaria (Apulian Theological Faculty, Bari/IT)  
Francis-Vincent Anthony (Università Pontificia Salesiana, Rome)  
Carl Sterkens (Radboud University Nijmegen)

Religion and civil rights in Italy: an empirical exploration among secondary school students

1130-1215  
Vitalie Spranceana & Svetlana Suveica (Univ. of Chisinau/MD)

Moldovan youth on religion and human rights: answers, questions, recommendations

1230  
Lunch and Break

1430-1600  
Parallel collegial sessions  
Room (B)

Collegial session 3  
Chair: Olga Breskaya (European Humanities Univ., Vilnius/LT)

1430-1515  
Francis-Vincent Anthony (Univ. Pontificia Salesiana, Rome/IT)  
Carl Sterkens (Radboud University Nijmegen/NL)

Religion and civil rights in the multireligious context of Tamil Nadu, India. Significant findings

1515-1600  
Üzeyir Ok (Katip-Celebi-University, Izmir/TR)

Mutual conflicts between religion and civil liberties: The roles of right-wing and left-wing authoritarianism

Collegial session 4  
Chair: Ray Webb (Univ. of St Mary of the Lake, Mundelein/US)

1430-1515  
Leslie Francis (University of Warwick/UK)  
Mandy Robbins (Glyndwr University, Wrexham/UK)

Understanding of women’s rights among young people in England and Wales

1515-1600  
Susanne Döhnert, Alexander Unser & Hans-Georg Ziebertz (University of Würzburg/DE)

The influence of the socio-cultural environment and personality on attitudes towards civil human rights

1600-1615  
Break

1615-1730  
Keynote  
Room (B)

Chair: Anders Sjöborg (University of Uppsala/SE)

Carl Sterkens (Radboud University Nijmegen/NL)

The contested relationship between religion and state in Indonesia: empirical models
1730-1800 Parallel collegial sessions

Collegial session 5 Chair: Sophie Zviadadze (University of Tbilisi/GE)
Room 7

1730-1800 Olga Breskaya (European Humanities Univ., Vilnius/LT)

Human Dignity and Political Identity: Models of Conceptualization of Human Rights in Eastern Europe

Collegial session 6 Chair: Alexander Unser (University of Würzburg/DE)

1730-1800 Claudia Sarti (Emory University, Atlanta/US)

Attitudes of Dutch Youth towards Multiculturalism

1800 Dinner

1915-2015 Business Meeting 1 Room (B)

Item 1 (see attachment)

Friday, 12th December

800-900 Breakfast

900-1015 Keynote speech Chair: Francis-Vincent Anthony (Univ. Pontificia Salesiana/IT)
Room (B)

Gordan Črpić & Marijana Kompes
(Croatian Catholic University, Zagreb/CRO)

Relation between religion and civil and political rights among young Croats

1015-1045 Break

1045-1215 Parallel collegial sessions

Collegial session 7 Chair: Katarzyna Zielińska (Jagiellonian Univ., Krakow/PL)
Room (B)
1045-1130 Pål Botvar (Centre for Church Research, Oslo/NO)

Social capital and the acceptance of religion in the public sphere

1130-1215 Mandy Robbins (Glyndŵr University, Wrexham/UK)
Leslie Francis (University of Warwick/UK)

Living together in Wales: An assessment of the Welsh Government report from the perspective of young people

Collegial session 8 Chair: Milda Alisauskiene (Vytautas-Magnus-Univ., Kaunas/LT)
Room 7
1045-1130 Milan Podunavac (Univ. of Belgrade/SER and Montenegro/MNO)

Constitutionalism and human rights in fragmented societies

1130-1215 Sophie Zviadadze (University of Tbilisi/GE)

Georgian Orthodox Church and human rights – ambivalence, antagonism or acceptance of human rights?

1230 Lunch
1415-1545 Parallel collegial sessions

Collegial session 9
Chair: Francesco Zaccaria (Apulian Theol. Faculty, Bari/IT)
1415-1500 Room (B)

Clement Fumbo (University of Tanzania)
Traditional prejudices in advancing human rights culture in Tanzania

1500-1545 Ray Webb (University of St Mary of the Lake, Mundelein/US)
A comparison of approaches to human rights: divergence and convergence

Collegial session 10
Chair: Mandy Robbins (Glyndŵr University, Wrexham/UK)
1415-1500 Room 7

Anders Sjöborg (University of Uppsala/SE)
The impact of religion on three generations of human rights: Sweden

1500-1545 Joaquín Silva Soler (Pontificial University Santiago de Chile)
Religion in the public space: different perceptions among young Chileans of separation between church and state

1545-1615 Break

1615-1700 Collegial session 11
Chair: Claudia Sarti (Emory University, Atlanta/US)
1615-1700 Room (B)

Johannes A. van der Ven (Radboud University Nijmegen/NL)
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1700-1730 Roundtable session
Chair: Hans-Georg Ziebertz
1700-1730 Room (B)

This roundtable offers an opportunity for those colleagues who are still busy with their research but not yet able to present a paper to provide information about the status of the project in their countries, e.g. Romania (Claudia Cristescu), Poland (Katarzyna Zielinská), …

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Business meeting 2
Item 2 – 6 (see attachment)

1800 Dinner
After dinner there is the possibility of a City tour including the Christmas Market

Saturday, 13th December

0800-0900 Breakfast
Departure