



International Conference on
ORTHODOXY AND FUNDAMENTALISM
May 10-12, Belgrade

Conference Program

Organized by: Volos Academy for Theological Studies (Volos, Greece), The Institute for the Study of Culture and Christianity (Belgrade, Serbia), Orthodox Christian Studies Center, Fordham University (New York, USA), Chair of Orthodox Theology, Münster University (Münster, Germany), Romanian Institute for Inter-Orthodox, Inter-Confessional and Inter-Religious Studies (Cluj-Napoca, Romania), St Andrews Biblical Theological Institute (Moscow, Russia), Sankt Ignatios Orthodox Theological Academy (Stockholm, Sweden), European Forum of Orthodox Schools of Theology (Bruxelles, Belgium), Center for Philosophy and Theology (Trebinje, Bosnia and Herzegovina), in cooperation with Dom omladine Beograda (Belgrade, Serbia)

Thursday, May 10
Dom omladine Beograda, "Americana" Hall (Velika sala "Americana")
(Address: Makedonska 22)

- 17.00-17.30 *Welcome Speeches, Opening Remarks*
- Sergej Beuk, Dom omladine Beograda
- Pantelis Kalaitzidis, Volos Academy for Theological Studies
- Davor Džalto, The Institute for the Study of Culture and Christianity
- Vladan Vukosavljević, Minister
Serbian Ministry of Culture and Information

Session I

- 17.30-18.15 TBA
Bishop Jovan Ćulibrk
- 18.15.-19.00 *Conservatism, Fundamentalism and Identity Politics in the Arab World*
Tarek Mitri
- 19.00-19.30 Discussion

Friday, May 11
Dom omladine Beograda, "Klub" Hall ("Klub" sala)
(Address: Makedonska 22)

Session II

(Moderator: Michael Hjälms)

- 09.00-09.30 *Theoretical Presuppositions of Christian Fundamentalism*
Vladan Perišić
- 09.30-10.00 *The Recent Invention of "Traditional" Orthodoxy*
George Demacopoulos
- 10.00-10.30 *Fundamentalism and Ecumenism*
Katerina Pekridou
- 10.30-11.00 Discussion
- 11.00-11.30 Coffee break

Session III

(Moderator: Pantelis Kalaitzidis)

- 11.30-12.00 *Pluralism, Secularism and Fundamentalism*
Aristotle Papanikolaou
- 12.00-12.30 *Fundamentalism: Theology in the Service of Psychosis*
Vasileios Thermos
- 12.30-13.00 *Epistemology of the Radicalized Faith*
Petar Jevremović
- 13.00-13.30 Discussion
- 13.30-14.30 Break

Session IV

(Moderator: Cezar Marksteiner-Ungureanu)

- 14.30-15.00 *Reading Without Interpretation? Fundamentalism and Biblical Hermeneutics*
Predrag Dragutinović
- 15.00-15.30 *Fundamentalist Hermeneutics as a Risk in Education*
Christophe d'Aloisio
- 15.30-16.00 *The Notion of Orthodoxy as the Sole True Faith: A Particular Source of Orthodox Christian Rigorism*
Vassilios Makrides
- 16.00-16.30 *Roots of Orthodox anti-Western Fundamentalism in the Church of Greece*
Dimitrios Bathrellos
- 16.30-17.00 Discussion

Saturday, May 12
Matica iseljenika i Srba u regionu, Conference room
(Address: Nušićeva 4)

Session V
(Moderator: Aristotle Papanikolaou)

- 09.00-09.30 *Fundamentalism in the Orthodox Church: Intrinsic or Transient?*
Haralambos Ventis
- 09.30-10.00 *Conversion to Orthodoxy in North America and Orthodox Fundamentalism: A Personal View*
Brandon Gallaher
- 10.00-10.30 *Conflicting Greek Orthodox Christian Discourses on Fundamentalism and Fragmenting Greek Orthodox Institutions in the United States*
Frances Kostarelos
- 10.30-11.00 Discussion
- 11.00-11.30 Coffee break

Session VI
(Moderator: Alexei Bodrov)

- 11.30-12.00 *Matilda & Matilding: The Rise and Fall of the Radical Orthodox Fundamentalists in Russia*
Sergei Chapnin
- 12.00-12.30 *Fundamentalism in the Ideology and Practice of the Orthodox Political Movements in Contemporary Russia*
Anastasia Mitrofanova
- 12.30-13.00 *Two Examples of Non-Fundamentalist but Rooted Spirituality: Mother Maria Skobstova and Alexander Men*
Katerina Bauer
- 13.00-13.30 Discussion
- 13.30-15.00 Break

Session VII

(Moderator: Brandon Gallaher)

- 15.00-15.30 *Giving the Laity its Voice Back: One Way to Tackle Fundamentalism in the Eastern Orthodox Church*
Petre Maican
- 15.30-16.00 *Eschatology and Fundamentalism*
Pantelis Kalaitzidis
- 16.00-16.30 *How to Be the Right Kind of “Fundamentalist”*
Davor Džalto
- 16.30-17.00 Discussion
- End of Conference

Conference Speakers:

Bishop Jovan Ćulibrk, Bishop of Pakrac and Slavonia, Serbian Orthodox Church

Dr. Tarek Mitri, Professor, American University of Beirut, Lebanon, former Lebanese Minister of Culture.

Rev. Dr. Vladan Perišić, Professor, School of Theology, University of Belgrade, Serbia, Director, Center for Theology and Philosophy (Trebinje, Bosnia-Herzegovina)

Dr. George Demacopoulos, Professor, John Meyendorff Chair of Theology, Fordham University, Co-Director, Center for Orthodox Christian Studies, Fordham University, New York, USA

Katerina Pekridou, Theological Dialogue Secretary, Conference of European Churches (Brussels, Belgium)

Dr. Aristotle Papanikolaou, Professor, Archbishop Demetrios Chair of Theology, Fordham University, Co-Director, Center for Orthodox Christian Studies, Fordham University, New York, USA

Rev. Dr. Vasileios Thermos, Child and Adult Psychiatrist, Assistant Professor, Higher Ecclesiastical Academy of Athens

Dr. Petar Jevremović, Professor, University of Belgrade (Serbia)

Dr. Pedrag Dragutinović, Professor, Faculty of Theology, University of Belgrade (Serbia)

Rev. Dr. Christoph d'Aloisio, Institut de théologie orthodoxe St. Jean le théologien (Brussels, Belgium)

Dr. Vassilios N. Makrides, Professor, Sociology of Orthodox Christianity, University of Erfurt (Germany)

Rev. Dr. Demetrios Bathrellos, Lecturer, Hellenic Open University, Visiting Professor, Institute of Orthodox Christian Studies (Cambridge, U.K.), Member, Board of Directors, Volos Academy for Theological Studies

Dr. Haralambos Ventis, Assistant Professor, Department of Social Theology, School of Theology, University of Athens

Dr. Brandon Gallaher, Lecturer of Systematic and Comparative Theology, Department of Theology and Religious Studies, University of Exeter (U.K.)

Dr. Frances Kostarellos, Professor, Governor's State University Illinois (U.S.A.)

Dr. Sergei Chapnin, Fellow at the University of Innsbruck, Austria, Former Editor of the Magazine of the Moscow Patriarchate (Russia)

Dr. Anastasia Mitrofanova, Professor, Russian State University for the Humanities (RGGU), Russian Orthodox University

Dr. Katerina Bauer, Assistant Professor, University of Prague, (Czech Republic)

Dr. Petre Maican, University of Aberdeen, (U.K.)

Dr. Pantelis Kalaitzidis, Director, Volos Academy for Theological Studies, Lecturer, Hellenic Open University, Research Fellow KU Leuven (Belgium)

Dr. Davor Džalto, Professor, The American University of Rome (Italy), President, The Institute for the Study of Culture and Christianity (Belgrade, Serbia)

Moderators:

Dr. Michael Hjälm, Dean of Sankt Ignatios Theological Academy, Stockholm School of Theology (Stockholm, Sweden)

Cezar Marksteiner-Ungureanu, PhD-Candidate and University Assistant at the University of Vienna, Romanian Institute for Inter-Orthodox, Inter-Confessional and Inter-Religious Studies (Cluj-Napoca, Romania)

Dr. Alexei Bodrov, Rector of St Andrews Biblical Theological Institute (Moscow, Russia)