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Canon Law Assists
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Dialogue*

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**CONFERENCE OF THE SOCIETY FOR THE LAW OF THE EASTERN
CHURCHES**

Celebrating its fiftieth anniversary (1969-2019)

SEPTEMBER 16-20, 2019 – ROME

**“FIFTY YEARS OF ENCOUNTER AMONG THE EASTERN
CHURCHES.
HOW CANON LAW ASSISTS IN THE ECUMENICAL DIALOGUE”**

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2019

18:00 Inauguration of the conference

Pontifical Oriental Institute, Piazza Sta Maria Maggiore, 7, 00185 Rome
Greetings

Keynote speaker: His All-Holiness, Patriarch Bartholomew

*“Society for the Law of the Eastern Churches 50 Years later
and the Ecumenical Movement”*

20:00 Vespers followed by a reception offered by the Holy Metropolis of Italy
and Malta in honor of His All-Holiness Ecumenical Patriarch
Bartholomew

Church of the Throne: S. Teodoro al Palatino, via di S. Teodoro, 7, 00186
Rome

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2019

SESSION I: HISTORICAL ASPECTS

MODERATOR: PROF. LEWIS PATSAVOS (CAMBRIDGE – MASSACHUSETTS)

9:00 His Grace, Prof. Kyrillos of Abydos (KATERELOS - Athens)

*The Meaning of Heresy in the Canons of the First Millennium and in the
Age of Contemporary Ecumenical Movement. A comparative Approach*

9.30 Dr. David HEITH STADE (Sweden)

Eastern Orthodox Theological Reflections on Baptism in a Divided Christendom since the Early Modern Era

10:00 Discussion

10:15 Break

SESSION II: FUNDAMENTAL AND METHODOLOGICAL QUESTIONS

MODERATOR: PROF. GRIGORIOS PAPATHOMAS (ATHENS)

10:45 Prof. Michai CONSTANTINESCU (Craiova)

Unite et coresponsabilite: Une evaluation canonique de la position de L'Eglise Orthodoxe concernant ses relations avec l'ensemble du monde chrétien

(Unity and coresponsability : A Canonical Evaluation of the Position of the Orthodox Church concerning the relations with the whole Christian World)

11:15 Prof. Irimie MARGA (Sibiu)

Die Kraft des orthodoxen Kirchenrecht (The Force of Orthodox Canon Law)

11:45 Prof. Norman DOE (Cardiff)

CCEO Canon 1501 and General Principles of Canon Law: An Inspiration for Anglicanism

12:15 Discussion

12:45 Lunch/Pranzo

SESSION III: ECCLESIOLOGICAL QUESTIONS

MODERATOR: PROF. PATRICK VALDRINI (ROME)

14:45 His Exc. Bishop Dimitrios SALACHAS (Athens)

Les expressions « Primus inter pares » et « Primauté d'honneur » à la lumière des « Sacri Canones » : Une contribution au dialogue théologique entre catholiques et orthodoxes

(The expressions “Primus inter pares” and “Primacy of honor” in the light of the “Sacri Canones”: A contribution to the theological dialogue between Catholics and Orthodox)

15:15 Fr. Hyacinthe DESTIVELLE O.P. (Rome - Angelicum)

Primacy and synodality in the Catholic-Orthodox Dialogue during the last 30 Years

15:45 Discussion

16:15 Break

**SESSION IV: THE SEXUAL ABUSE TRAGEDY AND THE CHURCH:
RESPONSES AND CHALLENGES**

MODERATOR : PROF. ASTRID KAPTIJN (FRIBOURG-CH)

16:45 Prof. Myriam WIJLENS (Erfurt)

The Pontifical Commission for the Protection of Minors

17:15 Honorable Justice Neville OWEN (Australia)

Australia meets Rome: Canonical issues from the periphery to the church universal

17:45 Discussion

20:00 Dinner

WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 18, 2019

SESSION V: PASTORAL-SACRAMENTAL TOPICS

MODERATOR: PROF. PABLO GEFAELL (ROME)

9:00 His Grace Mor Polycarpus AYDIN (The Netherlands)

Rediscovering the Didactic and Ecumenical Aspects of the Syriac Liturgy for Today

9:30 Prof. Chrysostom NASSIS (Thessaloniki)

Western Rite Orthodoxy: Historico-canonical and Liturgical Considerations

10:00 Prof. Georges RUYSSSEN (PIO –Rome)

Changing Responses to Ecclesial Divisions: the Development of Eucharistic Sharing and Canonical Discipline for a Divided Church, with special focus on Orthodoxy

10:30 Break

MODERATOR : PROF. VARGHESE KOLUTHARA (BANGALORE – INDIA)

11:00 Prof. Patrick VISCUSO (USA)

Orthodox and Catholic Mixed Marriages: Perspectives, Questions, and Issues

11:30 Prof. George GREGORIȚA (Bucharest)

Orthodox Wedding Ceremony for the Inter-confessional Marriages. An Orthodox Canonical Point of View

12:00 Prof. Sunny KOKKARAVAYIL (PIO – Rome)

Laws on Mixed Marriage of Malankara-Malabar Faithful with those of Malankara Syrian Orthodox Church

12:30 Discussion

13:15 Lunch

16:00 Departure by bus from Villa Aurelia

17:00-19:00 Visit *Redemptoris Mater* chapel / St. Peter's Basilica

20:00 Reception at the Romanian Orthodox Diocese in Italy by His Grace
Bishop Siluan, Via Ardeatina, 1741, 00134 Rome

THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 19, 2019

08:00 Departure by bus from Villa Aurelia

09:00-10:00 Visit Vatican's garden

11:30 Private Audience – Pope Francis

13:15 Lunch sponsored by the Society

SESSION VI: ECCLESIOLOGICAL QUESTIONS (PART 2) AND SHORT COMMUNICATIONS

MODERATOR: PROF. PETER PETKOFF (OXFORD – UNITED KINGDOM)

15:00 His Grace Archbishop Job of Telmessos (GETCHA – Chambésy CH)

The Right of Appeal as an Exercise of Universal Primacy

15:30 Prof. Patriciu VLAICU (Brussels-Cluj)

*Unité et diversité dans l'organisation synodale actuelle de l'Eglise ortho-
doxe*
*(Unity and Diversity in the present synodal organisation of the Orthodox
Church)*

SHORT COMMUNICATIONS

MODERATOR : DR. WILLIAM BLEIZIFFER (CLUJ)

16:00 Menios PAPANIMITRIOU (PhD candidate – USA)

The Ravenna & Chieti Documents' Contribution to Roman Ecumenical Dialogue

16:20 Prof. Radu CARP (Bucharest)

Towards an institutionalized ecumenism? The case of the Consultative Council of the Religions in Romania

16:40 Break

17:10 Discussion

18:00 General Assembly of the Society

19:15 Departure by bus from Villa Aurelia

20:00 Dinner at the Pontifical Oriental Institute

FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 20, 2019

SESSION IV: PASTORAL-SACRAMENTAL TOPICS (PART 2) AND SHORT COMMUNICATIONS

MODERATOR: PROF. ANARAGYROS ANAPLIOTIS (MUNICH)

9:00 Prof. John FARIS (USA)

Ecumenism and Pastoral Care in a Divided Church

9:30 Prof. Becket SOULE O.P. (Ottawa)

Recognition of Eastern and Anglican orders in the Roman Catholic Church

10:00 Dr. Dobromir DIMITROV (Trnovo- Bulgaria)

Is marriage between Orthodox and non-Orthodox Christians possible? How canonical tradition impacts the liturgical tradition in the Eastern Church

10:30 Break

SHORT COMMUNICATIONS

MODERATOR : PROF. PÉTER SZABÒ (BUDAPEST/NYÍREGYHÁZA)

11:00 Dr. Jelisei HEIKKILÄÄ (Helsinki)

Second Marriages for Orthodox Priests in Early 20th Century Russia

11:20 Dr. Kevin SCHEMBRI (Malte)

Presentation of his book: Oikonomia, Divorce and Remarriage in the Eastern Orthodox Tradition

11:40 Prof. Constantin RUS

Professor Liviu Stan - a canonist, theologian and ecumenist

12:00 Discussion

12:40 Conclusion of the conference

13:00 Lunch