

**INTERNATIONAL COLLOQUIUM  
ON  
SCIENCE AND CHRISTIANITY IN CONTEMPORARY EUROPE**

**Zagreb, June 29 - July 1, 2017**

*Organizers:*

Faculty of Philosophy and Religious Studies, University of Zagreb, Croatia  
Study Group on Science and Spirituality, University of Zagreb  
Copernicus Center for Interdisciplinary Studies, Krakow, Poland  
Institute for Transdisciplinary Studies in Science, Spirituality Society – IT4S,  
Bucharest, Romania  
St. Andrew's Biblical Theological Institute, Moscow, Russia  
SEFIR (Science and Faith in the Interpretation of Reality), ISSR “Ecclesia  
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*Location:*

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*Scope of the Colloquium:*

To analyse the situation and developments in the science – Christian faith  
relations in Europe in recent years;

To create awareness of the importance of the field and possible dangers of the  
present situation;

To define recommendations for future actions promoting constructive  
engagement and dialogue between science and Christian faith.

*Language:* English

*Format:* Short introductory talks followed by extensive discussions.

**Preliminary programme:**

*Thursday, June 29, afternoon*

Arrival, registration, dinner

20,00 **First session: Introduction to the Colloquium**

Prof. Dalibor Renić: Welcome

Prof. Giandomenico Boffi (Rome): Introductory comments about the scope of the Colloquium and the Network behind it.

*Friday, June 30, morning*

9,30-11,30 **Second session: Comparative analysis of the science-Christian faith relations in contemporary Europe** (20 minute introductory talks)

*Presentation of the situation in Russia, Poland, Italy and Croatia; Situation in the media, schools, academic community; Recommendations for future activities*

Speakers: Prof. Alexei Bodrov (Moscow),  
Prof. Rev. Zbigniew Liana (Krakow),  
Prof. Giandomenico Boffi (Rome)  
Prof. Stipe Kutleša (Zagreb)

11,30-12,00 Coffee break

**12,00-13,30 Discussion**

13,30-Lunch

*Friday, June 30, afternoon*

15,30-17,30 **Third session: Some topics of interest in the science-Christian faith relations** (20 minute introductory talks on each topic, followed by additional comments)

Among the topics presented will be the following:

- (Biology) *Evolution, with comments about creationism, intelligent design,...* -
- (Complexity) *Quantum physics, reductionism and emergentism, holism*
- (Cosmogony) *Big Bang etc., anthropic principle, boundary regions and overlap of science and religion*
- *Theory reduction and the different levels of physical reality*
- *The faith in God in the age of science*

Partial list of speakers:

Prof. Miroslav Furić (Zagreb)  
Prof. Rev. Zbigniew Liana (Krakov)  
Dr. Petar Mitrikeski (Zagreb)  
Dr. Branko Murić (Zagreb)  
Prof. Lamberto Rondoni (Torino)  
Prof. Marijan Šunjić (Zagreb)  
Prof. Dražen Volk (Zagreb)  
Prof. Rev. Roman Zaviyskyy (Lviv)

**17,30-18,00**                    **Coffee break**  
**18,00- 19,00**                    **Discussion**

*Saturday, July 1, morning*

**9,30-11,30**                    **Fourth session: Summary of the Colloquium**

Discussion

Prof. Giandomenico Boffi (Rome): Conclusions and future plans for the  
Network, including a possible Tempeton project

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