

Conference CONSERVATISM, LIBERALISM AND RELIGION

28 – 29 of November, 2024

University of Latvia

Program

Conference language: English

Panel discussion on 29th of November:

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Venue: Sapere Aude Hall, University of Latvia, Kalpaka blvd. 4, Riga

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Thursday, 28th of November

16.00 – 16.10	Conference opening. Opening remarks delivered by Prof. Dace Balode , Dean of the Faculty of Humanities, University of Latvia, Chairperson of the Senate of the University of Latvia
16.00 – 17.00	Keynote by Prof. CJS Lombaard , MA (Journalism), PhD (Communications), DD (Theology), Head of Department: Practical Theology & Mission Studies Faculty of Theology, University of Pretoria & Researcher: Bible and Spirituality Department of Theology, University of Latvia Conservatism, Liberalism and Religion: too little Faith versus faith-filled Reality <i>15 min. Q & A, discussion</i>
17.00 – 18.00	Conference reception

Friday, 29th of November

	Session 1 Moderator Kristīne Briede
10.00 – 10.25	Alise Hirša , University of Latvia Using Conservative Means to Shape Liberal Views: Religious Terminology in Inayat Khan’s Treatise “A Sufi Message of Spiritual Liberty <i>Q & A 5 min.</i>
10.25 -10.50	Hafssa Chahbane , Sidi Mohammed Ben Abdellah University, University of Latvia Digital Dissidence: Navigating Conservative and Liberal Values through Religious Expression on Social Media in Morocco <i>Q& A 5 min.</i>

10.50 – 11.15	Megija Frica , University of Latvia Visual Characteristics of Islamic State Supporters Content on The Social Media Platform Tiktok Q& A 5 min.
11.15- 11. 40	Aleksandrs Grigorjevs , University of Latvia Reception and Representation of Islam in Latvian Periodical Press from 1822 to 1945 Q& A 5 min.
11.40 - 12. 05	Amanta Arbidāne , University of Latvia The Incorporation of Ideological Motifs in Arabic Language Textbooks Q& A 5 min.
12. 10 -13.10	Lunch break

	Session 2 , moderator <i>Valdis Tēraudkalns</i>
13.15 – 13.40	Dr. Aivita Putniņa , University of Latvia Women and Naturalization of Their Gender In Discussing Ordination In Latvian Evangelical Lutheran Church Q & A 5 min.
13.40 – 14.05	Dr. Ilva Skulte, Kristine Briede , University of Latvia Accordingly, The Light Does Not Shine from The West!": How Media Discourse on the Ordination of Women Constructs the Role of Women in Church and Society Q & A 5 min.
14.05 -14.30	Jānis Meļņikovs , University of Latvia Search For Resonance: The Latvian Evangelical Lutheran Church's Quest for Relevance and Resonance Amidst the Complexities of Contemporary Societal Discourse Q & A 5 min.
14.30 – 15.00	Dr. Ņikita Andrejevs , University of Latvia Russia is The Hope for The World": Praise for Russia by Western Christians before the War Q & A 10 min.
15.00 – 15.30	Coffee break
	Session 3 , moderator <i>Ģirts Rozners</i>
15.30 – 15.55	Māra Neikena , University of Latvia God's Gifts and The Paradox of Choice: Gender Roles and the Interplay of Conservatism and Liberalism in the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Latvia Q & A 5 min.
15.55 – 16.20	Prof. Dr. Valdis Tēraudkalns , Prof. Dr. Dace Balode , University of Latvia Unexpected Discoveries: (Non) Ordination of Women in Latvian

	Lutheran Churches in Latvia and in Diaspora. Comparative Analysis Q & A 5 min.
16.20-16.45	Zoom Sofija Kozlova, Emīls Zavelis, University of Latvia Speaking Different Languages: the use of 'gender equality' in the debate on women's ordination in Latvia Q & A 5 min.
16.45 – 17.00	Coffee Break
17.00 – 18.00	Panel discussion/paneļdiskusija latviešu valodā. Moderators Ilva Skulte, Jānis Meļņikovs Participants: Rinalds Grants, Aivita Putniņa, Aleksandrs Bite, Ģirts Rozners

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