

Call for Papers

Interreligious Hermeneutics in a Plural Society – Foundations, Challenges, Opportunities and Limits

In a secular, yet religiously plural society, the peaceful coexistence of people with different religious and ideological convictions is becoming increasingly important. For this reason, interreligious dialogue has recently gained relevance and spread nationally and internationally. This is especially true for classes that have become heterogeneous and for religious education in immigration societies.

The Department of Islamic-Theological Studies at the University of Vienna is organising an online lecture series in the summer semester 2023, which will focus on interreligious hermeneutics. The reasons, challenges, opportunities and limits that shape our theological-interreligious actions and thinking will be discussed in conjunction with a wide range of academic positions.

All lectures, supplemented by further written contributions, will be published by Springer-Verlag in the series "Wiener Beiträge zur Islamforschung" [Vienna Contributions to Islam Research].

We invite all colleagues who deal theoretically or practically with one of the topics listed below to enrich the planned publication with a contribution in German or English.

We are looking for theoretical contributions as well as practical reports and research results on the topics mentioned.

The planned publication is dedicated to theological justifications of interreligious hermeneutics, which are still in their infancy. The authors will reflect from both a theological and a philosophical-hermeneutical perspective.

In particular, but not exclusively, it is about contributions to the following aspects:

- ✓ What interreligious approaches do the world religions offer to the challenging developments of plural societies?
- ✓ What theological foundations, positions and perspectives can advocate interreligious dialogue?
- ✓ Can an interreligious hermeneutics be derived from the sacred scriptures and if so, how? If not, how does this relate to the religions' view of themselves?
- ✓ Which philosophical-hermeneutical models can be applied to the theological justifications of interreligious dialogue?

The following information is required to apply:

- Working title
- Abstract (max. 1,000 characters excl. spaces)
- Information about the author(s): name, e-mail and organisation

You will be notified by e-mail whether your abstract has been accepted. Further information will follow.

Schedule

- **Suggestions for Abstract:** 31.12.2022
- **Decision on acceptance of abstracts:** 21.01.2023
- **Deadline for abstract submission:** 30.04.2023
- **Feedback on the abstract:** 31.05.2023
- **Expected date of publication:** Autumn 2023

We kindly ask you to notify us if you plan to submit an abstract by 31.12.2022 at the latest, to the following mail address: ibrahim.kocyigit@univie.ac.at

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