

NOSTER & GKM
Spring Conference
Münster, 15-17 April 2026



Programme

Wednesday 15 April: Hause der Niederlande		
13:30 – 18:00	Check-in at Franz Hitze Haus (for NOSTER members)	Franz Hitze Haus
19:15 – 19:45	Registration Conference	Haus der Niederlande - Library
20:00 – 21:30	<p>Welcome and introduction by dr. Matthijs den Dulk (director of NOSTER)</p> <p>Welcome and introduction to the Haus der Niederlande by prof. dr. Jacco Pekelder (<i>director Zentrum für Niederlande-Studien</i>)</p> <p>Welcome and introduction to GKM and Universität Münster by prof. dr. Lutz Doering (<i>director GKM</i>)</p> <p>Signing of the Memorandum of Understanding between GKM and NOSTER by prof. dr. Lutz Doering and dr. Matthijs den Dulk</p> <p>Panel with Q&A on the Study of Religion and Theology in Germany and the Netherlands, moderated by dr. Matthijs den Dulk, with the following panelists:</p> <p>Michiel Bouman, <i>PhD candidate</i></p> <p>Prof. Dr. Clauß Peter Sajak</p> <p>Dr. Katja Rakow</p> <p>Prof. Dr. Kocku von Stuckrad</p>	Haus der Niederlande - Library
21:30 – 22:15	Reception	Haus der Niederlande - Library

Thursday 16 April: Schloss Münster

07:30 – 08:40	Hotel Breakfast (please ensure you leave on time to get to Schloss Münster; see travel instruction on pp. 3-4)	Franz Hitze Haus
09:15 – 10:00	Parallel paper sessions I (see p. 8)	Senatssaal; S1; S2; S055; S062
10:00 – 10:15	Short Break	Foyer
10:15 – 12:15	<p>Parallel Workshops:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inside German Academia: An Interactive Info Session <i>dr. Nikola Moustakis, Rebecca Meier, Sabine Schneider MA</i> • Positionality in Academic Research <i>dr. Katja Rakow</i> • Getting Unstuck – A Workshop on Writer’s Block <i>dr. William Arfman</i> 	<p>Senatssaal</p> <p>S055</p> <p>S062</p>
12:15 – 13:30	Lunch	Foyer
13:30 – 14:15	Parallel Paper Sessions II (see p. 8)	Senatssaal; S1; S2; S055; S062
14:15 – 14:30	Short break	Foyer
14:30 – 15:15	Parallel Paper Sessions III (see p. 9)	Senatssaal; S1; S2; S055; S062
15:15 – 16:00	Break and traveling to Haus der Niederlande (see p. 4)	Foyer
15:55	Gather at the Haus der Niederlande for the excursion	Haus der Niederlande
16:00 – 18:00	Excursion in Münster <i>Dr. Hans Peterse</i>	Münster (starting at HdN)
18:30 –	Dinner	l’Osteria

Friday 17 April

07:30 – 08:20	Hotel Breakfast and check-out before 8:30 (please ensure you leave on time to get to Schloss Münster <u>with your luggage</u> ; see travel instruction on pp. 3-4)	Franz Hitze Haus
09:00 – 10:00	Parallel Senior Peer Review Paper Sessions (see p. 10)	Senatssaal; S055; S062
10:00 – 10:15	Short break	Foyer
10:15 – 11:45	Plenary Lecture (see p. 11) <i>prof. dr. Astrid Reuter</i>	Senatssaal
11:45 – 12:00	Plenary Closing <i>dr. Matthijs den Dulk</i>	Senatssaal
12:00 – 12:45	Lunch	Foyer

Programme Parallel Paper Sessions

Please find below the programme for the individual presentations. Audiovisual facilities are present on location. If you will be presenting using PowerPoint (or equivalent), we kindly ask you to bring your own laptop.

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Location	Presenter & Moderator	Title
Parallel Paper Sessions - Round I (09:15 – 10:00)		
S062	Franziska Steiger <i>Moderator: dr. Matthijs den Dulk</i>	The Coming of the Messiah in the Syriac Apocalypse of Baruch (2Bar)
S055	Nadia Kroon <i>Moderator: Nycholas Oliveira</i>	Using AI to analyze near-death experiences
S1	Ingrid Alatraste Ozuna <i>Moderator: prof. dr. Kocku von Stuckrad</i>	The Death Does Not Judge Me: The Spiritual Experiences of Subaltern Devotees of Santa Muerte in Mexico
S2	Ediz Hazir <i>Moderator: María León-Olarte</i>	Women on a Mission: The Oblates of the Assumption and the Transformation of Catholic Outreach in the Ottoman Balkans
Senatssaal	Nilou Yekta <i>Moderator: Alberto Cavallarín</i>	There is a secular body, and it is gendered (in Iran)
Parallel Paper Sessions - Round II (13:30 – 14:15)		
S062	Mary Graham <i>Moderator: dr. Marco Derks</i>	The Creation of a New Eucharist
S055	Nyssa Janice Latumeten <i>Moderator: dr. Matthijs den Dulk</i>	Papuan Women's Wounds as Christ's Stigmata: An Asian Feminist Postcolonial Christological Reflection
S1	Robert Braskamp <i>Moderator: dr. William Arfman</i>	Morituri Te Donant: Rabbinic Rules on Deathbed Donations in a Polysystemic Perspective
S2	Marieke van der Linden <i>Moderator: prof. dr. Kocku von Stuckrad</i>	Going outside and beyond: transcending the dominant Western epistemic imaginaries for reimagining the position of academic theology in academia

Location	Presenter	Title
Parallel Paper Sessions - Round III (14:30 – 15:15)		
S062	Franziska Kolodziej <i>Moderator: dr. Marco Derks</i>	Weeping as Emotional Expression in the Old Testament
S055	Eva Kyeni <i>Moderator: María León-Olarte</i>	Barrier and Bridge: Role of Religion in the Lives of Women Living with Fistula
S1	Hsin-Yin Yu <i>Moderator: prof. dr. Alfons Brüning</i>	The Art of Dialogue: How Fyodor Dostoevsky's Polyphonic Novels Restored the Dialogic Imagination of Pastoral Theology in the Anglo-American World, With Case Studies on Eugene Peterson and Rowan Williams
S2	Joëlle Fennebeumer <i>Moderator: dr. Katja Rakow</i>	Going Clear: Exploring how Dutch Church of Scientology Membership Influences Interpersonal Relationship Dynamics
Senatssaal	Laura Pasterkamp <i>Moderator: dr. Matthijs den Dulk</i>	God's revelation given to (those who are like) the little children. A childist narrative analysis of Luke 10:21-24

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Location	Presenter, Respondent & Moderator	Title
Senior Peer Review Parallel Paper Sessions (09:00 – 10:00)		
Senatssaal	Myung Hun Kang <i>Respondent: prof. dr. Lutz Doering</i> <i>Moderator: Alfons Brüning</i>	Temporality in the Damascus Document
S062	Mart Jan Luteijn <i>Respondent: prof. dr. Franziska Dübgen</i> <i>Moderator: dr. William Arfman</i>	The Ideal of Hospitality: Levinas and Derrida on the Paradoxes of the Cities of Refuge
S055	Dewirini Anggraeni <i>Respondent: Dr. Lena Dreier</i> <i>Moderator: dr. Matthijs den Dulk</i>	Social Media and Identity Transformation: A Case Study of Indonesian Women Involved in Terrorism