

International Theological Colloquium

Missio inter gentes

The Future of Christian Mission in Asia

Institute for Missiology &
the Study of Theologies
Beyond Europe
WWU Münster

with
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Linda Hogan
Jamal Malik
James Channan
Norbert Hintersteiner

December 3-5, 2014

JO 101, Johannisstr. 4

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Wednesday, December 3, 2014

- 16.00-16.30 Registration - Welcome
- 16.30-17.00 Opening and organizational matters
- 17.00-18.30 **Jonathan Y. Tan** (ACU Sydney)
**Christian Mission among the Peoples of Asia:
Imagining New Possibilities**
Discussion
- 19.00-20.00 Dinner
- 20.00-21.30 **Robert Schreiter** C.PP.S. (CTU Chicago)
**Framing an Asian Theology of Mission within
the World Church: Challenges and Prospects**
Discussion
- 21.30 Reception

Thursday, December 4, 2014

- 08.00-09.00 Breakfast
- 09.00-10.30 **Markus Luber** SJ (St.Georgen / Frankfurt)
Tan's Missio inter gentes and Evangelii gaudium
Discussion
- 10.30-11.00 Coffee break
- 11.00-12.30 **Linda Hogan** (TCD Dublin)
**In the Face of Religious Pluralism:
Global Politics of Human Rights**
Discussion

- 12.30-15.00 Lunch break
- 15.00-16.30 **Jamal Malik** (University of Erfurt)
**Fiqh al-Da`wah, or the Juridification of
Islamic Mission in the Context of Globalization
(WWU Comparative Missiology Lecture)***
Discussion
- 16.30-17.00 Coffee break
- 17.00-18.30 **James Channan OP** (Lahore)
**Christian Mission Engaging Muslim al-Da`wah and the
Interreligious Challenge in Asia**
Discussion
- 19.00-20.00 Dinner

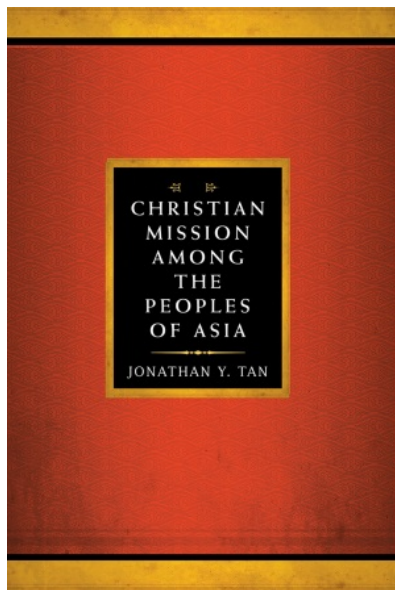
Friday, December 5, 2014

- 11.00-12.00 **Norbert Hintersteiner** (WWU Münster)
***Missio inter gentes: An Asian Impulse Towards an
Engaged Intercultural and Comparative Theology
(Inaugural Lecture)***
- 12.00-13.00 Reception

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Christian mission in Asia has gone through an ambivalent history, in which both successful attempts of inculturation and problematic parallels between colonialism and mission can be found. Here especially asymmetrical power relations in the fields of politics, culture and religion have been subject to much debate in recent decades.

In addition to this challenging historical background, there are exceptional circumstances for Christian mission in Asia today: Christianity as a minority within a multireligious environment, the enormous cultural plurality of Asia as well as issues of participation and justice in Asian societies.



In his new publication *Christian Mission among the Peoples of Asia* (Orbis Books 2014), Jonathan Tan elaborates the paradigm of *missio inter gentes* as a new model of mission in Asia. In contrast to the classical paradigm of *missio ad gentes*, he develops an understanding of mission as a dialogical, empathical and engaged enterprise which blends into the multireligiosity of Asia and embraces creatively its particular socio-cultural challenges.

This International Theological Colloquium (ICT) seeks to further the discussion on these issues, with the opportunity to engage with Prof. Tan present as WWU Fellow. Speakers from different academic backgrounds and continents will contribute to an ongoing interdisciplinary conversation.

The colloquium will close with Prof. Norbert Hintersteiner's inaugural lecture as the new chair holder at the Institute of Missiology and the Study of Theologies Beyond Europe.

Venue: Room JO 101, Johannisstr. 4, 48143 Münster

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