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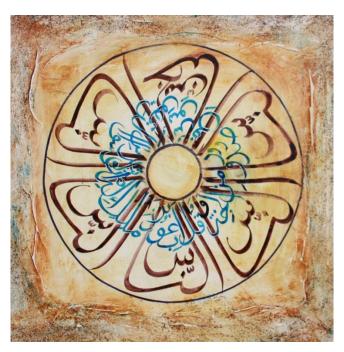




## **Mainz 2013**

25th International Seminar on Intercultural Pastoral Care and Counselling

# Islamic Spiritual Care in Conversation A Trialogue between Muslims, Jews and Christians



I seek refuge in the Lord of mankind (Quran, 114:6)

25. Internationales Seminar für Interkulturelle Seelsorge und Beratung

Islamische Seelsorge im Gespräch Ein Trialog zwischen Muslimen, Juden und Christen

Erbacher Hof / Akademie und Tagungszentrum des Bistums Mainz Academy and Conference-Centre of the Diocese of Mainz, Germany Grebenstr. 24-26, 55116 Mainz

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#### **Partners of SIPCC for the Seminar in Mainz**

**Die Evangelische Akademie der Pfalz –** Dr. Georg Wenz www.evangelische-akademie-pfalz.de

**Institut für Islamische Theologie an der Universität Osnabrück –** Esnaf Begic, M.A. www.islamische-religionspaedagogik.uni-snabrueck.de

Evangelische Kirche im Rheinland - Pfarrer KR Rafael Nikodemus – www.ekir.de

**Das Mannheimer Institut für Integration und Interreligiösen Dialog e.V. -** Talat Kamran, Leiter des Instituts; http://www.mannheimer-institut.de

Landesverband der jüdischen Gemeinden von Rheinland-Pfalz -

Dr. Peter Waldmann, Vorsitzender; E-Mail: info@lvjgrp.de

## **Sponsors for the Seminar in Mainz**

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www.pastoralpsychologie.de



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## **Questions and Processes of the Seminars**

The purpose of this seminar is to get to know the self-understanding and practice of Islamic care of people and relate it to the way Jews and Christians practice pastoral care.

The term "pastoral care" is commonly used in Christianity, but it is filled with diverse and varied contents.

In Judaism and Islam there is no special term for the religious companionship and support given in different circumstances of people's lives, though such care is quite clearly part of the everyday religious practice. Recently however, representatives of both religions have also started to use the term "pastoral care" to describe religious care and support.

This seminar will start with an intense exchange about how pastoral care is organised in the three religions. However the focus will then be placed on the Islamic context specifically.

Profiles of the pastoral self-understanding and practice in certain situations will be developed in a trialogue. Theological backgrounds as well as cultural traditions play an important part in this process.

The Seminar has the purpose to foster interreligious and inter-faith dialogue and the social-political integration of people of different cultures. It will be a contribution toward living together peacefully in social, cultural and religious diversity and it will have political impact. Its aim is to enhance the co-operation of the various religions and faith-groups in society.





#### **WORKING METHODS AT THE SEMINAR**

**Worship and prayers** give the Seminar a religious framework and show the unity and the varieties of spirituality in Islam, Judaism and Christianity.

**Intercultural forums** - believers from Islam, Judaism and Christianity talk about the beauty and aesthetics of their religion and what is at the heart of their faith. Furthermore, successful projects of Islamic care in some countries are presented.

**Lectures and discussions** elaborate on the themes of the day and will inspire further discussion. For our theme it will be important to reflect on the presentations in a trialogue. Therefore, there will responses from representatives from other faiths (look in the programme: partners of trialogue). The lectures will be handed out to the participants before the Seminar by e-mail. They can be studied in advance.

**Workshops** – In workshops the profile of caring for people in the respective religion will be the focus. It may be shown through case studies or minutes of a conversation with a client. After the presentation there should be clarification and a deeper understanding in the group, so that communal learning will be enhanced. Moderators will accompany the workshops. Moderators: Karl Heinz Ladenhauf/Anneke de Vries; Dominiek Lootens/Sabine Temme; Martin Wehrung/Daniela Majercakova; Jean-Charles Kaiser/Brenda Ruiz

#### **Reflection-groups**

The reflection groups have the aim to reflect on the day and to focus on the following issues:

- What has been new, important and meaningful for me today?
- How could I join into the processes of communication? What has been helpful to do so, what has affected me negatively?
- How did I experience the relational processes in the trialogue and how could they be improved?

All members are invited to take part.

In each group there will be a member of the "Seminar observers", who is sharing observations and gives incentives to the points which are listed below (Seminar observers).

The groups are facilitated by a moderator. They are conducted in one language only, either English or German. They will be arranged in advance with the criterion of heterogeneity.

Since these meetings are process-oriented, participants are requested to attend through all sessions. Moderators: *Grzegorz Giemza; Winfried Hess; Ursula Harfst; Dr. Mary Esperandio* 

#### **Seminar observers**

Four persons will observe the communicational and relational processes during the different parts of the Seminar and look closer to understanding, misunderstandings and emotional differences. They share their observations in the reflection groups to enhance the trialogue.

Seminar observers: Marianne Bevier; Anneke de Vries; Prof. Dr. Daniel Schipani; Dr. Karl Federschmidt

#### Activities at St. Stephen's Church, in the Synagogue and in the Mosque in Mainz

Through visits to a Church, a Synagogue and a Mosque, the participants will gain an awareness of how buildings convey spirituality in their architecture.

**General Assembly of SIPCC:** Reports – Change of the constitution - Elections - Publications – Activities – Plans



## **Programme of the Seminar**

## SATURDAY, 28 September 2013

13,00 – 15.00 Guided tour through the city of Mainz – Gutenberg-Museum

(for participants who already arrived)

Until 15.00 Moving into the rooms

15.00 - 16.30 Meeting of the organisers

17.00 Welcome by the organisers

**Introduction to the Seminar** 

18.00 Supper

20.00 The participants introduce themselves

Social get-together



Allah is the light of heavens and earth (Quran, 24:35)

We thank Mr. Mehmed Jakubovic for providing the calligraphies.



## SUNDAY, 29 September 2013

#### Theme of the day:

### Basics and practice of Christian care and counselling

7.00 - 8.30 Breakfast

9.00 The beauty of Christian faith:

Marc Chagall's windows in St. Stephen's: Aesthetics of images

Werner Lütkemeier, Tourist Guide of the city of Mainz

11.00 Common participation at the Christian service at St. Stephen's

12.30 Lunch, Erbacher Hof

## Muslim prayer at noon Individual Christian prayers

15.00 - 16.30

#### Presentation and discussion:

#### Basics and practice of Christian pastoral care and counselling

Prof. Dr. Isabelle Noth, University Bern, Switzerland

Partner in dialogue: Haki Arslan, Institute for Islamic Theology, University of

Osnabrück, Germany

16.30 Coffee / Tea

17.00 - 18.30

#### Workshops

#### Presentation and discussion of cases

Parish: Rev. Imad Haddad, Ramallah, Palestine

Christian care and counselling in an Islamic environment

Hospital: Rev. Marudut Manalu, Indonesia

Christian Counselling in an Islamic environment

Emergency care: Rev. Dr. Uwe Rieske, Germany

Caring for people after traumatisation

Prison: Rev. *Frank Stüfen*, Zurich, Switzerland and Rev. *Antje Siebert*, Dresden, Germany

Christian care and counselling among people of other faiths

18.30 Dinner

20.00 - 21.00

#### **Reflection groups**



## MONDAY, 30 September 2013

## Theme of the day:

## Basics and practice of Jewish pastoral care

7.00 – 8.30 Breakfast

## Walk to the Synagogue - Morning in the Synagogue

9.00 - 10.30

**Jewish Morning Prayer** 

Intercultural forum
The beauty of the Jewish faith

Dr. Peter Waldmann

An introduction into the Synagogue of Mainz

Coffee / Tea

11.00 -12.30

Presentation and discussion: Basics of pastoral care in Judaism

Dr. Peter Waldmann, Mainz

Partners in trialogue: *Prof. Takaaki David Ito,* Osaka, Japan / *Elhakam Sukhni M.A.*, Institute for Islamic Theology, University of Osnabrück, Germany

Going back to Erbacher Hof

13.00 Lunch, Erbacher Hof

Muslim prayer at noon Individual Christian prayers

15.00 - 16.30

Workshops:

Counselling service: *Rabbi Danny Smith,* London How a Jewish Counselling Centre was created

17.00 - 18.30

**Reflection groups** 

18.30 Dinner



## **TUESDAY, 1 October 2013**

#### Theme of the day:

## Basics and practice of Islamic spiritual care

7.00 – 8.30 Breakfast

#### Ride to the Mosque - Morning in the Mosque

9.00 - 10.30

Islamic Morning Prayer

Intercultural forum: The beauty of my faith

Muslims describe and present the beauty of Islam

*Mehmed Jakubovic*, Aachen – calligraphies

Talat Kamran; Mannheim Institute for Integration and Interreligious Dialogue

Coffee / Tea

10.45 -12.15

#### **Lectures and Discussions:**

#### Islamic basics of caring for people

Esnaf Begic, M.A.; Institute for Islamic Theology; University of Osnabrück, Germany

#### Islamic social work. Remarks to the practice of Islamic theology in Germany

*Marianus Hundhammer*, M.A.; Department of Islamic religious studies, University Erlangen-Nürnberg, Germany

## Muslim prayer at noon in the Mosque

Back to Erbacher Hof

13.00 Lunch, Erbacher Hof

15.00 - 16.30

Workshops: Islamic care and counselling in different contexts

Counselling to Muslim inmates in the prison

Ahmet Özdemir, Münster

Counselling of Muslims in hospitals and prisons in the Netherlands

Rev. Ari van Buuren, Amsterdam; Dr. Mohamed Ajouaou (Islamic Care at the Ministry of Justice), Netherlands

Caring for dying people:

Dr. Abdul Nasser Al-Masri, Hannover, Germany

Counselling in welfare institutions for youth in Turkey

Prof. Dr. Cemal Tosun; Ankara, Turkey

16.30 Coffee / Tea

17.00 - 18.30 Reflection groups

18.30 Dinner

20.00 General Assembly of SIPCC: Reports – Change of the Constitution - Elections -

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## WEDNESDAY, 2 October 2013

#### Theme of the day:

## Practice and education in Islamic spiritual care

7.00 – 8.30 Breakfast

8.30 – 8.50 Morning prayers

9.00 – 9.45 **Islamic care and counselling:** 

**Example Malaysia** 

Dr. Kamar Oniah BT Kamaruzaman; International Islamic University Malaysia,

Kuala Lumpur

10.00 – 10.45 **Example Turkey** 

Prof. Dr. Cemal Tosun, Ankara Üniversitesi Ilahiyat Fakultesi, Turkey

Coffee / Tea

11.00 -11.45 Example Bosnia

Emina Corbas-Mesic, Stuttgart, Germany

12.00 – 12.45 Discussions of the presentations

13.00 Lunch

Muslim prayer at noon Individual Christian prayers

15.00 -16.30

Lecture and discussion

The need of education in Islamic care and counselling

Prof. Dr. Bülent Ucar, Director of the Institute for Islamic Theology, University

of Osnabrück, Germany

Partners in trialogue: Prof. Dr. Kathleen Greider, USA; Prof. Brenda Ruiz,

Nicaragua

16.30 Coffee/ Tea

17.00 - 18.30

**Reflection groups** 

18.30 Dinner



## **THURSDAY, 3 October 2013**

#### Theme of the day:

#### Challenges for pastoral care in religious diversity

7.00 – 8.30 Breakfast

8.30 – 8.50 Morning prayers

9.00 – 10.30 Panel in Trialogue

Mercy as basis of care and counselling Islam: *Dr. Silivia Horsch-Al Saad,* 

Institute for Islamic Theology, University of Osnabrück

Christianity: *Prof. Dr. Daniel Schipani*,USA Judaism: *Rabbi Daniel Smith*, London Moderation: *Dr. Georg Wenz* 

11.00 -12.30 "Open Market"

Activities of inter-faith co-operations

Institute for Islamic Theology, Osnabrück: Esnaf Begic
Association of Jewish Congregations in Rhineland-Palatine

Dr. Peter Waldmann

Mannheim Institute and Evang.. Academy of the Palatine:

Talat Kamran – Georg Wenz

CPE courses in Frankfurt: Winfried Hess / Moustafa Shahin

Multi-faith Views in Spiritual Care: Daniel Schipani

Inter-faith care and counselling in the Netherlands: Rev. Ari van Buuren,

Dr. Mohamed Ajouaou

Muslim Telephone-crisis line Berlin: Mohammad Imran Sagir

Standards in education for Islamic care and counselling for the Islamic faith

communities in Germany, Alfred Miess

and other initiatives

13.00 Lunch

#### Muslim prayer at noon Individual Christian prayers

#### 15.00 –16.30 New ideas of co-operation

Small groups of working areas: community; hospital; emergency care; prison; education (45 minutes):

In the plenary the results are presented. Which new initiatives can be started?

16.30 Coffee / Tea

17.00 - 18.30 Evaluation of the seminar in reflection groups

20.00 Thanks and celebration

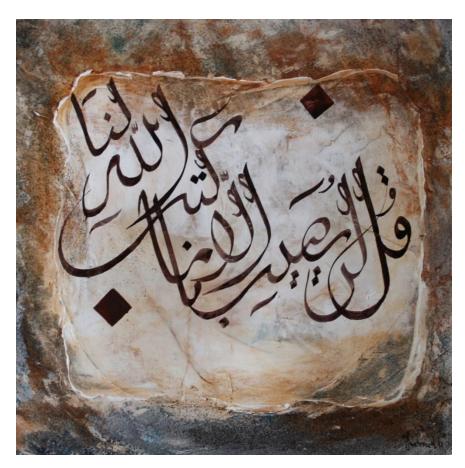


## FRIDAY, 4 October 2013

7.45-8.30 Breakfast

9.00 Interreligious closing ceremony

10.00 End of the seminar



## **VENUE**

## Erbacher Hof,

Academy and Conference Centre of Mainz Diocese Grebenstr. 24-26, 55116 Mainz Reception: 0049(0)6131.257-0

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Driving directions are available: www.ebh-mainz.de



## COSTS

per person:

Seminar-fee: 250,00 €

Accommodation and food (breakfast; lunch; dinner; coffee /tea) in the venue:

Three bed rooms 450,00 €
Double rooms 500,00 €
Single rooms 600,00 €

#### Donations for sponsoring participants are welcome!

The registration is valid only after transferral of the full payment.

In special cases you may make other arrangements in writing with the treasurer (e.g. for a discount, which have to be applied for).

You will receive bank details for transferal after registration.



In the name of Allah, the All-merciful and Gracious (Quran, at the beginning of each Surah)

