



International Conference on

## **SACRED AND SOCIAL/POLITICAL FREEDOM**

- The Political Dimension of Religion -

On the Occasion of 1700 Years of the Issuance of the Edict of Milan

November 22, 2013 – Belgrade Art Hotel, Knez Mihailova 27

### CONFERENCE PROGRAM

09.00 Registration

09.15 Welcoming address:

Davor Džalto, IPST, ISCC

Henri Bonet/Jelena Jablanov Maksimović, KAS

09.30 Welcoming address:

H. E. Stanislav Hočevar, Archbishop of Belgrade, Roman Catholic Church

H. G. Andrej, bishop of Remesiana, Serbian Orthodox Church (TBC)

#### **Session I: Keynote speakers**

Moderator: Davor Džalto

10.00 *In the World but not of the World" (John 18.36) Reflections on the Public Role of the Church in Pluralistic Societies*

**Prof. Ingeborg Gabriel**, Faculty of Catholic Theology, University of Vienna

10.30 Discussion

11.45 Coffee break

12.00 *Church and State: Sovereignty and Competence*

**Prof. Graham Ward**, University of Oxford

12.30 Discussion

13.00 Lunch



**Session II: Panel on Religion, tolerance and justice**

Moderator: Aleksandar Fatić

- 14.30 *Religion and Social Justice: Is There a Room for Social Engagement of the Church?*  
**Prof. Boris Begović**, Faculty of Law, University of Belgrade
- 14.45 *The Politics of Tolerance: Minority Religious Groups in Secular Society - the Case of Muslim Communities in Europe*  
**Miroslava Hukelova**, University of Liverpool
- 15.00 *Religion, Politics and Tolerance-Experiences of Roman Catholicism, Orthodox Christianity and Islam*  
**Marko Veković**, Faculty of Political Science
- 15.15 *The Sacred and the Political: Serbian Orthodoxy in Church-State Relations*  
**Tea Janković**, University of Freiburg
- 15.30 Discussion
- 16.00 Coffee break

**Session III: Panel on Political and Metaphysical Freedom**

Moderator: Boris Begović

- 16.30 *From Contested Christianity to Contested Freedom: Political Transformation of Christianity and Contemporary Implications*  
**Dr. Nikola Knežević**, Faculty of Protestant Theology in Novi Sad
- 16.45 *The Politics of Tolerance and the Idea of Christian Character*  
**Prof. Aleksandar Fatić**, Institute for Philosophy and Social Theory, University of Belgrade
- 17.00 *Political Power and Social Role of Autocephalous Orthodox Churches in the Middle Ages and Today: The Case of Cyprus and Serbia*  
**Prof. Vlada Stanković**, Faculty of Philosophy, University of Belgrade
- 17.15 *Truth and Freedom: An Orthodox Approach to the Problem of Pluralism*  
**Prof. Davor Džalto**, Institute for Philosophy and Social Theory, University of Belgrade



17.30 Discussion

18.00 Closing remarks by Davor Džalto and Henry Bonet/Jelena Jablanov Maksimović

18.30 Dinner