

Gratitude and responsibility for diversity

Conference



3rd of October 2019. 10 am to 4 pm

Evangelical-Lutheran Theological University, Hungary

Address: 1-3 Rózsavölgyi köz, Budapest 14, Hungary

In 2019 churches in Hungary are celebrating the Season of Creation highlighting the attitude of *gratitude and responsibility*. With eye on the global goal of this year which has been pointed in order *to protect biological diversity* our conference has the aim to approach and value diversity in general with the aspect of gratitude and responsibility.

On one hand, diversity of nature would stand as an example for our society. On the other hand, the attitude of gratitude and responsibility would be emphasized as a possible way for environmental protection. What valuation, respect and support of the different "other" can mean in our world ecologically, socially or religiously.



Schedule:

10:00-10:30 Introductions

- Introduction on behalf of the Evangelical-Lutheran Theological University – Zoltán Csepregi president
- Introduction on behalf of the Charity of Baptist Church Hungary – Dávid Gál director
- About the Season of Creation – Zsuzsa Koltai (Evangelical-Lutheran Church in Hungary)
- About the project OIKOS – István Farkas lead coordinator (Advisers of Sustainable Development)



10.30-11.45 Learning from the nature. The importance and the impact of biological diversity

- Innovation inspired by the nature: the 'Gömböc' – Péter Várkonyi docent (senior lecturer), Budapest University of Technology and Economics
- The diversity of the vegetal symbiosis – István Parádi lecturer, Eötvös Lóránd University, Natural Science
- What can we learn from the decision-making mechanism of the nature? – Péter Csermely biochemist - network researcher, Semmelweis University



11.45-12.10 Break



12.10- 13.20 Learning from the nature. The importance and the impact of biological diversity

- Invasive species. Our responsibility in the loss of biological diversity – Pál Kézdy deputy director, Duna-Ipoly National Park
- „The plants the only pure”. Theological approach to the vegetal (way of) life – Kinga Szűcs assistant lecturer, Evangelical-Lutheran Theological University
- Public discussion – moderator Eszter Kodácsy-Simon docent (senior lecturer), Evangelical-Lutheran Theological University



13.20-14.00 Break

14.00-16.00 Equal dignity. The values of social diversity

- The individual importance of social cohesion. The function of the Christian gypsy vocational collages in the social diversity – Beáta Dávid senior lecturer, Semmelweis University
- Liberating relationships. The overcome social fragmentation as the way out of ecological crisis – András Takács-Sánta docent (senior lecturer), Eötvös Lóránd University
- Glorious diversity – Dóra Kanizsai-Nagy refugee integrational officer, Reformed Church in Hungary/Charity Office
- “If the whole body were an ear, where would be the sense of smell?” (1 Cor 12,17) – Tamás Kodácsy senior research fellow, Reformed Church in Hungary/Eco-Congregations
- Public discussion – moderator Márió Nobilis lecturer, Sapientia Collage of Theology of Religious Orders

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