The Nature of God:
Personal and a-personal concepts of the divine

International Conference
August 6 – August 8, 2018
Haus der Begegnung, Innsbruck
Schedule

Monday, August 6

8:45-9:00  Welcome Address

9:00-10:00  Yujin Nagasawa (Birmingham, UK)
             Personal Theism vs. Impersonal Axiarchism

10:00-11:00  Agustín Echavarria (Navarra, Spain)
             Can a Metaphysically Perfect God Have Moral Virtues and Duties? A Thomistic Perspective

11:30-12:30  Anastasia Scrutton (Leeds, UK)
             Can only a suffering God help? Towards a contextual and pragmatic approach to philosophy of religion

14:30-15:30  Matthias Remenyi (Universität Würzburg, Germany)
             More than a Person. Reflecting God’s Relationship to Creation

15:30-16:30  David Efird (York, UK)
             Repelling the Law of Attraction: Divine Personhood and the Epistemology of Petitionary Prayer

17:00-18:00  Simon Kittle (Innsbruck)
             Divine freedom, personhood, and time

18:00-19:00  Ryan Mullins (St. Andrews, UK)
             Impassibility, Omnisubjectivity and Divine Eternality

Tuesday, August 7

9:00-10:00  Mark Wynn (Leeds, UK)
             Spiritual practice and divine personhood

10:00-11:00  Thomas Jay Oord (NNU, USA)
             How a Personal, Divine Spirit Causally Interacts with Nondivine Animate and Inanimate Creatures

11:30-12:30  Adam Świeżyński (Warsaw, Poland)
             Personal versus a-personal concept of God’s action in the miraculous event

14:30-15:30  Natalja Deng (Yonsei University, South Korea)
             On mystery, timelessness, and being a-personal

15:30-16:30  Robin Le Poidevin (Leeds, UK)
             Persons, Presence and Perspective

17:00-18:00  Samuel Lebens (Haifa, Israel)
             From Maimonides to the Ba’al Shem Tov: Via Copenhagen, Consciousness, Kurt Vonnegut, and Berkeley

Wednesday, August 8

9:00-10:00  Jon Kvanvig (Washington University, St. Louis, USA)
             Metatheology and the Ontology of Divinity

10:00-11:00  Joshua Cockayne (St. Andrews, UK)
             Pantheistic worship: Knowing an a-personal God liturgically

11:30-12:30  Adam Świeżyński (Warsaw, Poland)
             Human vulnerability and the vulnerable God? Reflections on divine attributes and the heart of Christ