



6th Pune - Innsbruck Joint Conference
on
"Democracy in an Age of Globalization:
Ethical and Religio-Political Challenges"
16th - 20th May 2012



Academic Programme

Thursday, 17th May

- 09,45 – 10,00 ANDREAS VONACH and JOSE THAYIL
Introduction to the topics and subject matter of the conference
- 10,00 – 11,00 MATTHIAS SCHARER
"Living Communicating" in the midst of total/totalitarian Communication: An anthropological-theological challenge
- 11,00 – 12,00 BORIS REPSCHINSKI and SAMUEL KAPANI
Imperial Ideology, Christology, and the Gospel of Mark
- 14,30 – 15,30 KURUVILLA PANDIKATTU
Respect, Dignity and Equality: The Unique Role of Individuals in a Democratic Set-up and their religious Basis
- 15,30 – 16,30 CLAUDIA PAGANINI
How much Publicness does Democracy need? Media between Whistleblowing, Data collection and the Right to Privacy
- 17,00 – 18,00 GEORGE KARUVELIL
Democracy, Mobocracy and Snobocracy: Some conceptual Issues
- 18,00 – 18,30 MORRIS ANTONYSAMY
Beyond Friend-Enemy Patterns: Towards a Non-Violent Freedom Struggle of Dalits and Tribals in India

Friday, 18th May

- 08,45 – 09,45 JOSE THAYIL
Impact of Globalization on Democracy in India: An Ethical Perspective
- 10,15 – 11,15 JOHANNES PANHOFER
The specific Contribution of the Church for the Development of Democracy using the Example of Kenia
- 11,15 – 12,15 SYLVIA EIBL
Democracy and Globalization from an African Perspective – Challenges and Prospects
- 14,30 – 15,30 PHILIP ISAAC JIJI
Democracy in the South Asian Context – Goals and Challenges: An Analysis
- 15,30 – 16,30 WOLFGANG PALAVER
Populism as a Challenge for Modern Democracy
- 17,00 – 18,00 SELVA RATHINAM
Globalization and Democracy: A challenge to Religious Life from Social and Biblical Perspectives
- 18,00 – 19,00 SIMONE PAGANINI
Abraham, Jacob and Moses: A Land without a King, a People without a Leader

Saturday, 19th May

- 08,45 – 09,45 JAMES PONNIAH
The Porous Democracy of the Powerful and Amorphous Religious World of the Powerless
- 10,15 – 11,15 WILHELM GUGGENBERGER
Democracy and Truth: Pope Benedict XVI. speech at the German Bundestag 2011
- 11,15 – 12,15 PRASAD LANKAPALLI
Indian Christian Theological Response to Hindutva or Hindu Cultural Nationalism and the Nation-building: Challenges and Lessons for Democracy
- 14,30 – 15,30 GEORG FISCHER
Israel's struggle with political Governance: Democratic Tendencies and Leadership in the Old Testament
- 15,30 – 16,30 NOEL SHETH
Republics in Ancient India
- 17,00 – 18,00 ANDREAS VONACH
"In those days there was no king in Israel" (Jud 19:1; 21:25): The People of God between Autocracy, Theocracy, Democracy and Monarchy