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**EINLADUNG**  
zum Symposium

**Religion, Society and Economics**  
Pune – Innsbruck Conference  
29. May – 02. June 2002

**Academic programme**

**WEDNESDAY, 29<sup>TH</sup> MAY:**

19.30 Welcome, Inauguration, Refreshments

**THURSDAY, 30<sup>TH</sup> MAY:**

PART I: "SOCIAL AND ECONOMICAL DRAFTS AND REALITIES"  
(Chairperson: Prof. Evelyn MONTEIRO)

11.00 – 11.15	Dr. Andreas VONACH: <i>Introduction to the topics and subject matter of the conference.</i>
11.15 – 12.00	Prof. Georg FISCHER: <i>"How can the rich love the poor?" Old Testament suggestions for our present-day economy.</i>
	Lunch-break
15.00 – 15.45	Prof. Max PREGLAU: <i>Deenchantment and reenchantment of the world – unescapable dialectics?</i>
15.45 – 16.30	Prof. Mathew JAYANTH: <i>Ecology and sustainable economic development.</i>
	Coffee-break
17.00 – 17.45	Dr. Wilhelm GUGGENBERGER: <i>Worry, Time and the Spirit of Social Systems.</i>
17.45 – 18.45	Panel discussion with all the speakers of this part (Chair: Dr. Andreas Vonach).

## FRIDAY, 31<sup>ST</sup> MAY:

PART II: "ECONOMY, SOCIETY AND POLITICS FROM THEOLOGICAL AND HISTORICAL POINTS OF VIEW"  
(Chairperson: Prof. Kuruvilla PANDIKATTU)

09.00 – 09.45	Dr. Boris REPSCHINSKI: <i>Of Mice and Men and Matthew 2.</i>
09.45 – 10.30	Prof. Noel SHETH: <i>Conflict and reconciliation between the Hindu deities Vishnu and Shiva.</i>
	Coffee-break
11.00 – 11.45	Dr. Andreas VONACH: <i>Conflicts between religions and their social consequences in Ancient Israel as testcases for some contemporary struggles.</i>
11.45 – 12.30	Prof. Roman SIEBENROCK: <i>Facing Modernity. Christian Witness after Christianity. John Henry Newmans life and work as an example of theological responsibility in a changing society.</i>
	Lunch-break

PART III: "FOCUSSING THE INDIAN SITUATION" (Chairperson: Prof. Noel SHETH)

15.00 – 15.45	Prof. Kuruvilla PANDIKATTU: <i>Indian paradox: Scientifically forward, economically backward, spiritually inward.</i>
15.45 – 16.30	Prof. Anton PELINKA: <i>Learning from India – India's democracy as a model for Europe?</i>
	Coffee-break
17.00 – 17.45	Prof. Lorenzo FERNANDO: <i>Socio-Economic and political context of India in pastoral perspective.</i>
17.45 – 18.45	Panel discussion with all the speakers of the day (Chair: Prof. Wolfgang PALAVER).

## SATURDAY, 1<sup>ST</sup> JUNE:

PART IV: "RELIGIOUS MOVEMENTS AND FAMILIES IN INTERACTION WITH SOCIETY AND ECONOMY"  
(Chairperson: Prof. Roman SIEBENROCK)

09.00 – 09.45	Prof. Evelyn MONTEIRO: <i>The growing Hinduisation of the Indian society from a feminist perspective.</i>
09.45 – 10.30	Prof. Mohan DOSS: <i>Jainism and entrepreneurship: Interplay of Religion and Society towards economic progress.</i>
	Coffee-break
11.00 – 11.45	DDr. Winfried LÖFFLER: <i>Financing the Churches: Some European Systems in Comparison.</i>
11.45 – 12.30	Prof. Cyril DESBRUSLAIS: <i>Is it so foolish to say in one's heart that there is no god?</i>
	Lunch-break
15.00 – 15.45	Prof. Wolfgang PALAVER: <i>Liberalism and Fundamentalism: A Dialogue with Amartya Sen.</i>
15.45 – 16.30	Prof. MC ABRAHAM: <i>Religious Fundamentalism: Psychological and economic perspective.</i>
	Coffee-break
17.00 – 18.00	Panel discussion with all the speakers of this part (Chair: Prof. Anton PELINKA).
	Short break
18.15 – 19.30	Concluding Session: Summing up, Evaluation, Planning the Future, Vote of Thanks (Chairpersons: Prof. Kuruvilla PANDIKATTU and Dr. Andreas VONACH)

The whole programme will take part in "Seminarraum IV" at the Theological Faculty, Karl-Rahner-Platz 3