



FIFTH COLLOQUIUM SYRIACUM  
**Identity and Witness**  
Contribution of the Syriac Tradition  
to the universal Church and the World

*Pallottihaus Vienna, February 20 – 23, 2017*

## PROGRAMME

### MONDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2017

18:30 Welcome Dinner at Pallottihouse

### TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2017

#### *Opening Session*

##### GREETING ADDRESSES AND GENERAL INTRODUCTION

9:00 OPENING PRAYER AND WELCOME ADDRESSES

Cardinal CHRISTOPH SCHÖNBORN, Archbishop of Vienna  
*Greeting Letter*

Cardinal KURT KOCH, Pontifical Council for Promoting Christian Unity  
*Greeting Letter*

PRO ORIENTE President JOHANN MARTE  
*Welcome Address*

DIETMAR W. WINKLER, Salzburg/Austria  
*General Introduction: The 5<sup>th</sup> Colloquium Syriacum on "Identity and Witness" in the context of the Ecumenical Dialogues with Churches of the Middle East and India*

10:30 Coffee break

#### *First Session*

##### SIGNIFICANCE AND IDENTITY OF THE SYRIAC TRADITION I

*Moderator: Archbishop Mar Paul Matar, Beirut/Lebanon*

11:00 Paper 1: SEBASTIAN P. BROCK, Oxford/UK  
*Syriac Tradition, Identity, and language – what does it mean for the diaspora?*

12:30 Lunch

#### *Second Session*

##### SIGNIFICANCE AND IDENTITY OF THE SYRIAC TRADITION II

*Moderator: Archbishop Mar Paul Matar, Beirut/Lebanon*

15:00 Paper 2: Fr. BABY VARGHESE, Kottayam/India  
*Syriac Liturgy and languages in different contexts today*

16:30 Coffee Break

17:00 Paper 3: Andreas Schmoller, Salzburg/Austria  
*Believing and/or belonging: Diaspora Identities*

18:30 Supper at the Pallottihaus

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2017

*Third Session*

SYRIAC IDENTITY IN ECUMENICAL CONTEXT

*Moderator: Archbishop Mar Joseph Powathil, Changanassery, Kerala/India*

- 09:00 Paper 4: BISHOP ANTOINE AUDO SJ, Aleppo/Syria  
*Syriac Identity in Ecumenical Context: Middle East and Diaspora*
- 10:30 Coffee break
- 11:00 Paper 5: MAR THEOPHILOSE KURIAKOSE, Ernakulam/India  
*Syriac Identity in Ecumenical Context: India and Diaspora*
- 12:30 Lunch

*Fourth Session*

SYRIAC IDENTITY, INTEGRATION AND RELATIONS WITH SOCIETY

*Moderator: Mor Polycarpus Augin Aydin, Glane/Netherlands*

- 15:00 Paper 6: Mar PAUL MATAR, Beirut/Libanon  
*Syriac Identity, Integration and Relations with Society: Middle East and Diaspora*
- 16:30 Coffee break
- 17:00 Paper 7: MAR JOSEPH POWATHIL, Changanacherry/India  
*Syriac Identity, Integration and Relations with Society: India and Diaspora*
- 18:00 Supper at the Pallottihaus

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2017

*Fifth Session*

PERSPECTIVES – RESULTS

*Moderator: Dietmar W. Winkler, Salzburg/Austria*

- 09:00 Drafting Committee  
*Results, Achievements and Perspectives of the V Colloquium Syriacum*
- 10:30 Coffee break
- 11:00 Discussion  
*Final Statement / Press Release*
- 12:30 Lunch

EXCURSION TO THE CISTERCIAN ABBEY HEILIGENKREUZ (LOWER AUSTRIA)

Details about departure and return to be announced

- 18:00 Vespers with the Cistercian monks  
Afterwards reception by Abbot Maximilian Heim OCist

**PRO ORIENTE COLLOQUIUM SYRIACUM and FORUM SYRIACUM**

Vienna, Pallottihouse, 20<sup>th</sup>-25<sup>th</sup> February 2017



	COLLOQUIUM SYRIACUM				FORUM SYRIACUM	
	Monday, 20th February	Tuesday, 21st February	Wednesday, 22nd February	Thursday, 23rd February	Friday, 24th February	Saturday, 25th February
9.00-10.30		Opening Session Greeting addresses	4 <sup>th</sup> Paper Mar Antoine Audo	Results and Conclusion	Working Session	D
10.30-11.00	A	Coffee Break	Coffee Break	Coffee Break	Coffee Break	E
11.00-12.30	R	1 <sup>st</sup> Paper Sebastian Brock	5 <sup>th</sup> Paper Mar Kuriakose Theophilose	Results and Conclusion	Working Session	P
12.30-15.00	R	Lunch Break	Lunch Break	Lunch Break	Lunch Break	A
15.00-16.30	I	2 <sup>nd</sup> Paper Fr. Baby Varghese	6 <sup>th</sup> Paper Mar Boulos Matar	Lunch Break	Working Session	T
16.30-17.00	V	Coffee Break	Coffee Break	EXCURSION to Cistercian Abbey Stift Heiligenkreuz	Coffee Break	U
17.00-18.30	A	3 <sup>rd</sup> Paper Andreas Schmoller	7 <sup>th</sup> Paper Mar Joseph Powathil	18.00 VESPER	Working Session	R
18:30	Welcome Dinner at Pallottihouse	Dinner	Dinner		Dinner	E (Participants Forum Syriacum)

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