



SIXTH COLLOQUIUM SYRIACUM
CELEBRATING 25 YEARS OF PRO ORIENTE SYRIAC DIALOGUE

**With Hope towards the Future –
Living together and common witness
of the Syriac Tradition**

Pallottihaus Vienna, November 25 – 28, 2019

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PROGRAM

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 25, 2019

18.30 Welcome Dinner at Pallottihaus

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 2019

Opening Session

GREETING ADDRESSES AND GENERAL INTRODUCTION

9.00 OPENING PRAYER and WELCOME ADDRESSES

Welcome Address

Ambassador ret. ALFONS M. KLOSS, President of PRO ORIENTE

Greeting Letters

Cardinal CHRISTOPH SCHÖNBORN, Archbishop of Vienna

Catholicos Patriarch Mar GEWARGIS III SLIWA, Assyrian Church of the East

Patriarch Moran Mor Ignatius AFREM II KARIM, Syrian Orthodox Church of Antioch

Cardinal Patriarch LOUIS RAPHAEL I. SAKO, Patriarch of Babylon of the Chaldean Church

Cardinal KURT KOCH, President of Pontifical Council for Promoting Christian Unity

DIETMAR W. WINKLER, Salzburg/Austria

General Introduction: The 6th Colloquium Syriacum "With Hope towards the Future" in the context of 25 years of PRO ORIENTE Syriac Dialogue

10.30 Coffee break

First Session

ON HUMAN FRATERNITY FOR WORLD PEACE AND LIVING TOGETHER

Moderator: Bishop Mar Awa Royel, Modesto, CA/USA

11.00 Paper 1: Archbishop MAR PAUL MATAR, Beirut/Lebanon

The Joint Statement "On Human Fraternity for World Peace and Living Together" signed by Pope Francis and Sheikh Ahmed el-Tayeb in context

12.30 Lunch

Second Session

HARVESTING THE FRUITS: PASTORAL AGREEMENTS ALREADY EXISTING

Moderator: Archbishop Mar Paul Matar, Beirut/Lebanon

14.45 Paper 2: Fr. FRANS BOUWEN M.Afr., Jerusalem

Harvesting the Fruits: Pastoral Agreements – Middle East

16.00 Coffee Break

16.30 Paper 3: Fr. PHILIP NELPURAPARAMPIL, Changanassery, Kerala/India

Harvesting the Fruits: Pastoral Agreements – India

17.45 End of Second Session

18.00 Transfer by Bus from Palottihaus to Schottenstift

<p>19:00 Public Evening ENDANGERED LIVING CHRISTIAN HERITAGE: FUTURE PERSPECTIVES FOR SYRO-ARAMAIC CHRISTIANITY BETWEEN EMIGRATION AND ASSIMILATION</p> <p>Greeting Addresses President ALFONS M. KLOSS Archbishop Mar Paul MATAR</p> <p>Impulses (in German): Martin TAMCKE, Being Christian in the Arab World Theresia HAINTHALER, The Syriac Tradition and its Significance for Theology, Scholarship and Ecumenism</p> <p>Panel discussion: Middle Eastern Christians: Challenges and Future Perspectives Mar Antoine AUDO SJ, Mar Awa ROYEL, Wafa GOUSSOUS, Erica C.D. HUNTER Moderation: Dietmar W. WINKLER</p>

21.00 Schottenkeller, Schottenstift: 25 Years of PRO ORIENTE Syriac Dialogue

22.30 Departure of the Bus from Schottenstift to Palottihaus

22.50 Arrival at Palottihaus

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 2019

Third Session

ECUMENISM OF LIFE: PASTORAL AGREEMENTS AND PASTORAL PRACTICE IN CASE STUDIES

Moderator: Mar Antoine Audo, Aleppo/Syria

09.00 Paper 4: Wafa GOUSSOUS, Amman/Jordan
Common Christian Witness and Ecumenical Cooperation in Jordan

10.00 Coffee break

10.30 Paper 5: Metropolitan Mar Theophilose Kuriakose, Vettikkal, Kerala/India
Pastoral Agreements and Pastoral Practice: Case Study India

11.30 Paper 6: Metropolitan Mor Polycarpus Augin Aydin, Glane/Netherlands
Pastoral Agreements and Pastoral Practice: Case Study Europe

12.30 Lunch

Fourth Session

COMMON CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES

Moderator: Mor Polycarpus Augin Aydin, Glane/Netherlands

15.00 Paper 7: Bishop Mar Antoine Audo SJ, Aleppo/Syria
Common Challenges and Opportunities: Syria

16.00 Coffee break

16.30 Paper 8: Fr. Baby Varghese, Kottayam, Kerala/India
Common Challenges and Opportunities: India

17.30 Paper 9: Bishop Mar Awa Royel, Modesto, California/USA
Common Challenges and Opportunities: North America

18.30 Dinner at Pallottihaus

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 2019

Fifth Session

PERSPECTIVES – RESULTS

Moderator: Dietmar W. Winkler, Salzburg/Austria

- 09.00 Drafting Committee – Final Statement/Joint Communiqué:
Results, Achievements and Perspectives of the VI. Colloquium Syriacum
- 10.30 Coffee break
- 11.00 Discussion
Final Statement / Joint Communiqué
- 12.30 Lunch

EXCURSION TO AUSTRIAN NATIONAL LIBRARY

- 14.00 Departure of the Bus from Pallottihaus to National Library
(National Library, Imperial Palace, Josefsplatz 1, 1010 Vienna)
- 14.30 Meeting at “Studienlesesaal” of Austrian National Library (Josefsplatz, side entrance on the left side, 2nd floor)

Austrian National Library

EXCLUSIVE DISPLAY OF SELECTED MANUSCRIPTS, PRINTS, FACSIMILES FROM THE SYRIAC TRADITION

Dr. Andreas Fingernagel

Head of the Department of Manuscripts and Rare Books

- 16.30 Departure of the Bus from National Library to Palottihaus
- 17.00 12. Meeting of the Forum Syriacum** at Palottihaus *(only for Commission Members)*
- 18.30 Dinner at Palottihaus

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 29, 2019

- 8:15 Departure of the Bus from Palottihaus to Austrian Academy of Sciences
(Theatersaal, Sonnenfelsgasse 19, 1010 Vienna)

Austrian Academy of Sciences

INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM “MEDIEVAL TURFAN – AN OASIS FOR CHRISTIANITY?”

- 9.00 –
- 12.30 Turfan-Symposium 1st Part (see separate programme)
- 14.30 Lunch Break (Ristorante Rossini, Schönlaterngasse 11, 1010 Vienna)
- 14.30 –
- 17.30 Turfan Symposium 2nd Part (see separate programme)

- 18.00 Departure of the Bus from Austrian Academy of Sciences to Palottihaus
- 18.45 Dinner at Palottihaus