The Holy Mount Athos – the Unique Spiritual and Cultural Heritage of Modern World

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Conference Program

Opening plenary session
“Historical Heritage and Significance of the Holy Mount Athos in Modern World”

Moderator:
Oleg Zinkovski, Head of Russian Broadcasting Editorial Department, Rundfunk Berlin Brandenburg (Germany)

Speakers

Hieromonk Dosithej, Holy Monastery of Chilandar, Athos (Greece)
Address on behalf of the Athonite Fathers

Monk Kosmas Simonopetritis (Panagiotis Kyranoudis), Secretary of Holy Monastery of Simonos Petra, Mount Athos
Address on behalf of the Gerontas Elissaios, Abbot of the Simonos Petra Monastery, Athos

Rev. Antonij Iljin, Priest, Russian Orthodox Church
Address of Metropolitan Ilarion, Head of the Department for External Church Relations

Prof. Dr. Sergey S. Horujy, Director, Institute of Synergetic Anthropology
The Athonite Ascesis as the school for a personality and the strategy of socialization

Prof. Spyridon Bazinas, Senior Legal Officer, United Nations (Greece-Austria)
Athonite model of cenobetic life and its implications in a secular world

Prof. Kriton Chryssochoidis, Director, Institute of Historical Research / National Hellenic Research Foundation (Greece)
Two communities relate the same history: Athonites and the modern scholars

Mikhail Yakusheya, First Vice-President, St. Andrew The First-Called Foundation (Russia)
About the cooperation of St. Andrew The First-Called Foundation and the monasteries on Athos
Moral Example of Athos and the Challenges of Secular World
Panel №1

Discussion topics:
• Athonite contribution to the spiritual practices of modern Christianity
• Social and universal distinctions of the Holy Mount Athos: the model for people and nations how to live together
• Christian response to the risks and challenges of modernity
• The meaning of pilgrimage to sacred places and practices of modern pilgrimage to Athos

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Monk Kosmas, Simonopetritis Secretary of Holy Monastery of Simonos Petra, Mount Athos (Greece)
The Oecumenical Character of Mount Athos

Nikolai V. Kotrelev, Senior Researcher, Institute of World Literature
N.N. Strakhov’s Visit to Athos: a Secular Pilgrimage

Pavel Fedosov, Youth Programs Director, St. Andrew The First-Called Foundation (Russia)
Lessons of monastery (about youth labour expeditions to the Saint-Trinity skit on the Anzer island)

Aleksandr Korolkov, Professor, The State Russian Herzen Pedagogical University (Russia)
Athos spiritual role in the personal formation

Evgeny Nikiforov, Director, Orthodox Brotherhood “Radonezh”, Russian Orthodox Church (Russia)
Christian response to the risks and challenges of modernity

Deacon Michael Lomax (Russian Orthodox Church)
Beyond the coffee-table book - Athos and Western Christianity

Fr. Adalberto Mainardi, Monk, Monastery of Bose (Italy)
A Dialogue on Spiritual Life: Western monks pilgrims to Mount Athos in the 20th Century

Marko Nikolic, Research Fellow, Institute of International Politics and Economics (IIPE), Belgrade
Institutional Forms of Contemporary Ecumenical Dialogue; Contemporary Relations of Serbian Orthodox (SOC) and Roman Catholic Church (RCC)

Rev. Martinsos Petzolt, Priest, Greek Orthodox Metropolis of Germany; Researcher, University of Wurzburg (Germany)
Healing and Consecration. Orthodox Answers at Secular Questions

Dr. Rade Kisić, Assistant Professor, Faculty of Orthodox Theology, University of Belgrade
Secularization and the Holy Mount Athos – orthodox Perspective

Dr. Gudrun Jerschow, Director, German-Russian Center, Russian State University of Humanities, Moscow (Germany)
Athonite spirit as a chance for educational and cultural development in global multicultural society
Prof. Georgios Mantzaridis, Emeritus professor, Aristoteles’ University of Thessaloniki (Greece)
Athonite Monachism’s Contribution in Spiritual Life and Ecumenical Dialogue of Modern Christianity

Anatoly Holodjuk, Orthodox writer, journalist (Germany)
Holy Mount Athos in German ecclesiastical and reference publications

Adrian Dinu, Priest and University Lecturer, University “Al. I. Cuza” of Iasi
Claudia Dinu, University Lecturer, University of Medicine and Pharmacy “Gr. T. Popa”, Iasi
Athonites’ Contribution to Spiritual Orthodox Practice in Moldova (Romania) – Communication and Communion

Monk Theotokis, Holy Monastery of Simonos Petra
Athonite contribution to the spiritual practices of modern Christianity

Hieromonk Avraamios the Athonite, Gerontas of the Kellion of Saint Modestos, Holy Monastery of Simonos Petra, Athos (Greece)

Deacon Alexej Veselov, Head, Christian-Orthodox Information Center e.V. (Germany)

Sergey Gavrilov, Chairman of the Property Committee, The Federal Assembly – Parliament of the Russian Federation, The State Duma (Russia)

Yury Zudov, Executive Secretary, Inter-Christian Consultative Committee of the CIS and Baltics (Russia)

Rev. Andre Sikojev, Priest, Russian Orthodox Church Outside of Russia, Representative of the Synod (Germany)

Rev. Nikolai Kamenev, Priest, Estonian Orthodox Church of Moscow Patriarchate (Estonia)

Vladimir Nemchenkov, Senior Expert, St. Andrew The First-Called Foundation (Russia)

Galina Shevtsova, Independent Historian, Publicist.

Sergey Belkin, Editor-in-Chief, “Development and Economy”, the Almanac of Science and Politics (Russia)
Athos Today and Its Particularities
Panel №2

Discussion topics:
• The current status of Athos
• Specific character of managing the foundations and the cultural and natural heritage of the Mount Athos
• Preservation of European historical and cultural heritage based on the example of Athos
• Impact of contemporary socio-political situation in Europe upon Athos

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Speakers

David Parry, Chairman, Gruntlers Theater Ltd (United Kingdom)
The influence of Athos in the Arts

Dr. Srdjan Pirivatric, Member of the Board, Society of the Mount Athos Friends in Serbia (Serbia)
An example of European historical and cultural heritage preservation: the reconstruction of Chilandar

Walter Schwimmer, Chairman of the International Coordinating Committee, WPF “Dialogue of Civilizations” (Austria)
Human rights aspects of some of the current problems
Frederick Lauritzen(Ph.D.), Post Doctoral Fellow, Fondazione per le Scienze Religiose
The political protection of Mt Athos: the typikon of Monomachos

Dr. Aristidis Tsatsos, Lecturer, Humboldt-University, Berlin (Greece)
Cultural and historical aspects of the Russian economic model

Kirill Vakh, General, Director, Scientific Publishing Center “Indrik” (Russia)
The Russian pilgrimage to Mount Athos after the Crimean war
Hieromonk Ioustinos Simonopetritis (Ioannis Mesimeris), Representative of Holy Monastery of Si-monos Petra, Mount Athos

Martin Valchanov, Academic Staff, University of Cologne (Germany-Bulgaria)

Alexey Parshintsev, Head, Department on interaction with religious organizations, St. Andrew The First-Called Foundation (Russia)

Irina von Bismarck, Board of Trustees, Germany - Russia - The New Generation e.V. (Germany)
Athonite Tradition in Christian Culture
Panel №3

Discussion topics:
• Athos and the influence of Byzantine heritage on artistic, musical, architectural and literary tradition
• The history of Athos and its influence on the uniqueness of Orthodox East
• Modern cultural initiatives dedicated to Athos

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Speakers

Prof. Dr. Kyrill Pavlikianov, Professor of Byzantine Philology and Paleography at the University of Sofia “St. Kliment Ohridski”, Department of Classical and Modern Philology
The Athonite transition from Byzantine to Ottoman reality - Orthodox cultural uniqueness and the influence of Western art

Vladimir Wiedemann, Director, BRIC Service (Consulting & Management)
Eastern mysticism: Hesychasm in the context of Hellenism and Gnosticism

Prof. Kriton Chryssochoidis, Director, Institute of Historical Research / National Hellenic Research Foundation (Greece)
The Slavic Archives of Mount Athos: Some initial thoughts for the preservation and the research of a neglected cultural treasure

Anastassia Kojoukhova, Art historian, Architect, Brickstudio.A Ltd
Influence of Athos in the Western European architecture and visual culture

Mikhail V. Shkarovskii, Doctor of History, Professor, St. Petersburg Orthodox Academy, leading research fellow, Central State Archive of St. Petersburg
Russian Athos in the XX Century

Prof. Oleg Zybenko, Professor, National Technical University of Ukraine, “Kiev Polytechnic Institute”, Kiev Theological Academy and Seminary (Ukraine)
Maximos the Greek and the perception of the Antique heritage in Russia

Dr. Dmitrii Leskin, Director, Orthodox Classical Gymnasium (Togliatti); Professor, Samara State University of Transport (Russia)
Athonite onomatodoxy and the philosophy of the Name of God in Russia

Lora Gerd, Chief Researcher, St.-Petersburg Institute of History
Monk Mathew, the librarian of the Russian monastery St.Panteleimon

Prof. Alexei Lidov, Head of the Department, Lomonosov Moscow State University, Institute for World Culture (Russia)
Hierotopy of the Holy Mount and its presentation in the contemporary world

Alexey Kozyrev, Deputy Dean on Science, Philosophy Faculty, Moscow Lomonosov State University
Athos in K.N.Leontyev's life (1831-1891): diplomatic and intellectual mission

**Andrey Rukavishnikov**, Head of the Information Policy Department, Philosophy Faculty, Moscow Lomonosov State University (Russia)

*Athos in literature heritage of B.K. Zaitsev*

**Dr. Ulrich Janetzki**, Director, Literarisches Colloquium Berlin (Literary Colloquium, Berlin) (Germany)

**Rev. Dusan Mihajlovic**, Priest, Head of Serbian orthodox mission in Santiago de Chile (Serbia)

**Dr. Andrej Tchernodarov**, Vice-Chairman, Germany Pushkin-Society (Germany)

Mikhail Talalay, Professor, University of Insubria (Como, Italy)

**Olga Lipich**, Journalist, “RIA NOVOSTI” News Agency (Russia)

**The Role of the Holy Mount Athos in Supporting the Christian Values in the Post-Secular Society**

Closing plenary session

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**Archbishop Mark**, Berlin, Germany and Great Britain Diocese

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