



International Conference on  
**ORTHODOXY AND FUNDAMENTALISM**  
May 10-12, Belgrade

**Conference Program**

Organized by: Volos Academy for Theological Studies (Volos, Greece), The Institute for the Study of Culture and Christianity (Belgrade, Serbia), Orthodox Christian Studies Center, Fordham University (New York, USA), Chair of Orthodox Theology, Münster University (Münster, Germany), Romanian Institute for Inter-Orthodox, Inter-Confessional and Inter-Religious Studies (Cluj-Napoca, Romania), St Andrews Biblical Theological Institute (Moscow, Russia), Sankt Ignatios Orthodox Theological Academy (Stockholm, Sweden), European Forum of Orthodox Schools of Theology (Bruxelles, Belgium), Center for Philosophy and Theology (Trebinje, Bosnia and Herzegovina), in cooperation with Dom omladine Beograda (Belgrade, Serbia)

**Thursday, May 10**  
**Dom omladine Beograda, “Americana” Hall (Velika sala “Americana”)**  
**(Address: Makedonska 22)**

- 17.00-17.30 *Welcome Speeches, Opening Remarks*  
Sergej Beuk, Dom omladine Beograda  
Davor Džalto, The Institute for the Study of Culture and Christianity
- Vladan Vukosavljević, Minister  
Serbian Ministry of Culture and Information
- Pantelis Kalaitzidis, Volos Academy for Theological Studies
- 17.30-18.15 TBA  
Bishop Jovan Ćulibrk
- 18.15.-19.00 *Conservatism, Fundamentalism and Identity Politics in the Arab World*  
Tarek Mitri
- 19.00-19.30 Discussion
- 20.00-23.00 Reception

**Friday, May 11**  
**Dom omladine Beograda, “Klub” Hall (“Klub” sala)**  
**(Address: Makedonska 22)**

- 09.00-09.30 *Pluralism, Secularism and Fundamentalism*  
Aristotle Papanikolaou
- 09.30-10.00 *Fundamentalism: Theology in the Service of Psychosis*  
Vasileios Thermos
- 10.00-10.30 *Epistemology of the Radicalized Faith*  
Petar Jevremović
- 10.30-11.00 Discussion
- 11.00-11.30 Coffee break
- 11.30-12.00 *Theoretical Presuppositions of Christian Fundamentalism*  
Vladan Perišić

- 12.00-12.30 *The Recent Invention of "Traditional" Orthodoxy*  
George Demacopoulos
- 12.30-13.00 *Fundamentalism at Ecumenism*  
Katerina Perkidou
- 13.00-13.30 Discussion
- 13.30-14.30 Lunch
- 14.30-15.00 *Fundamentalist Hermeneutics as a Risk in Education*  
Christophe d'Aloisio
- 15.00-15.30 *Reading Without Interpretation? Fundamentalism and Biblical Hermeneutics*  
Predrag Dragutinović
- 15.30-16.00 *Conversion to Orthodoxy in North America and Orthodox Fundamentalism: A Personal View*  
Brandon Gallaher
- 16.00-16.30 *Roots of Orthodox anti-Western Fundamentalism in the Church of Greece*  
Dimitrios Bathrellos
- 16.30-17.00 Discussion
- 19.00 Dinner  
Restaurant "Šešir moj" (Address: Skadarska 21)

**Saturday, May 12**  
**Matica iseljenika i Srba u regionu, Conference room**  
**(Address: Nušićeva 4)**

- 09.00-09.30 *Fundamentalism in the Orthodox Church: Intrinsic or Transient?*  
Haralambos Ventis
- 09.30-10.00 *The Notion of Orthodoxy as the Sole True Faith: A Particular Source of Orthodox Christian Rigorism*  
Vassilios Makrides
- 10.00-10.30 *Conflicting Greek Orthodox Christian Discourses on Fundamentalism and Fragmenting Greek Orthodox Institutions in the United States*  
Frances Kostarelos

- 10.30-11.00 Discussion
- 11.00-11.30 Coffee break
- 11.30-12.00 *Giving the Laity its Voice Back: One Way to Tackle Fundamentalism in the Eastern Orthodox Church*  
Petre Maican
- 12.00-12.30 *Eschatology and Fundamentalism*  
Pantelis Kalaitzidis
- 12.30-13.00 *Fundamentalism in the Ideology and Practice of the Orthodox Political Movements in Contemporary Russia*  
Anastasia Mitrofanova
- 13.00-13.30 Discussion
- 13.30-15.00 Lunch
- 15.00-15.30 *Matilda & Matilding: The Rise and Fall of the Radical Orthodox Fundamentalists in Russia*  
Sergei Chapnin
- 15.30-16.00 *Two Examples of Non-Fundamentalist but Rooted Spirituality: Mother Maria Skobstova and Alexander Men*  
Katerina Bauer
- 16.00-16.30 *How to Be the Right Kind of "Fundamentalist"*  
Davor Džalto
- 16.30-17.00 Discussion
- Free evening

## Conference Speakers:

**Bishop Jovan Ćulibrk**, Bishop of Pakrac and Slavonia, Serbian Orthodox Church

**Dr. Tarek Mitri**, Professor, American University of Beirut, Lebanon, former Lebanese Minister of Culture.

**Dr. Aristotle Papanikolaou**, Professor, Archbishop Demetrios Chair of Theology, Fordham University, Co-Director, Center for Orthodox Christian Studies, Fordham University, New York, USA

**Rev. Dr. Vasileios Thermos**, Child and Adult Psychiatrist, Assistant Professor, Higher Ecclesiastical Academy of Athens

**Dr. Petar Jevremović**, Professor, University of Belgrade (Serbia)

**Rev. Dr. Vladan Perišić**, Professor, School of Theology, University of Belgrade, Serbia, Director, Center for Theology and Philosophy (Trebinje, Bosnia-Herzegovina)

**Dr. George Demacopoulos**, Professor, John Meyendorff Chair of Theology, Fordham University, Co-Director, Center for Orthodox Christian Studies, Fordham University, New York, USA

**Katerina Pekridou**, Theological Dialogue Secretary, Conference of European Churches (Brussels, Belgium)

**Rev. Dr. Christoph d'Aloisio**, Institut de théologie orthodoxe St. Jean le théologien (Brussels, Belgium)

**Dr. Pedrag Dragutinović**, Professor, Faculty of Theology, University of Belgrade (Serbia)

**Dr. Brandon Gallaher**, Lecturer of Systematic and Comparative Theology, Department of Theology and Religious Studies, University of Exeter (U.K.)

**Rev. Dr. Demetrios Bathrellos**, Lecturer, Hellenic Open University, Visiting Professor, Institute of Orthodox Christian Studies (Cambridge, U.K.), Member, Board of Directors, Volos Academy for Theological Studies

**Dr. Haralambos Ventis**, Assistant Professor, Department of Social Theology, School of Theology, University of Athens

**Dr. Vassilios N. Makrides**, Professor, Sociology of Orthodox Christianity, University of Erfurt (Germany)

**Dr. Frances Kostarelos**, Professor, Governor's State University Illinois (U.S.A.)

**Dr. Pantelis Kalaitzidis**, Director, Volos Academy for Theological Studies, Lecturer, Hellenic Open University, Research Fellow KU Leuven (Belgium)

**Dr. Petre Maican**, University of Aberdeen, (U.K.)

**Dr. Anastasia Mitrofanova**, Professor, Russian State University for the Humanities (RGGU), Russian Orthodox University

**Dr. Sergei Chapnin**, Fellow at the University of Innsbruck, Austria, Former Editor of the Magazine of the Moscow Patriarchate (Russia)

**Dr. Katerina Bauer**, Assistant Professor, University of Prague, (Czech Republic)

**Dr. Davor Džalto**, Professor, The American University of Rome (Italy), President, The Institute for the Study of Culture and Christianity (Belgrade, Serbia)