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Program Stavanger 22.-23.09

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Ecotheology as an academic discipline.

Location: Misjonsmarka 12 4024 Stavanger

Link: <https://maps.app.goo.gl/DdXYgbtFczyLXQPm6>



Room and zoom links for the whole conference:

Room 1	Room 2	Room 3
Classroom 207 K	Meeting room 254	Meeting room 269
https://vid-no.zoom.us/j/65502497827	https://vid-no.zoom.us/j/67625290090	https://vid-no.zoom.us/j/62006550462

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Monday 8.30 Room1: **Opening a.m Norwegian time= CEST**

Short Information concerning the conference and the network and greetings:

- Dean professor Vebjørn Hafsjord (VID)
- Rev. Claire des Mesnards (ECEN)
- Professor Tom S. Tomren-Bredal (ECErN)

Moderators of the main sessions: Prof. Nadja Furlan Štante, Dr. Loukas Andrianos (P), Dr Gobena Abate (p), Prof. Bredal-Tomren (p),

09.00-09.45 Room1: First keynote: **Professor Celia Deane-Drummond.**

Title: "Ecotheology as an Academic Discipline: Retrospect and Prospect"

10.00-11.00 Group section A Paper presentation

P= In person O=online

Room 1 Language: Eng.	Room 2 Eng.	Room 3 Eng.
Moderator: Prof. Nadja Furlan Štante (P)	Moderator: Antonis Kalogerakis (O)	Moderator: Dr. Nikolaos Asproulis (O)
<i>Dr. Louk Andrianos (P)</i> Redefining sustainability and ecological sin concepts with Ecotheology as academic curricula!	<i>Eirik A. Steenhoff. PhD-Candidate (O):</i> On Ecological Conversion	<i>Dr. Victor Morales, (O) .:</i> The outer space as the new ecological frontier: A theological and philosophical approach.
Prof. Elisabeth Naurath (O) Interreligious Education for Sustainable Development (irESD) - an Encouraging Approach in Times of Crises	<i>Prof. Hans Morten Haugen (O):</i> Seeds, Genes and Genetic Information: Paving Way for Stewardship and Creativity; Any Guidance from Christian Teaching?	<i>Ebenezer Yiwo (P)</i> Researcher the myth of spiritism and nature in ghana: corresponding accounts on the sustainability of the country from the past, present, and the next generations
Dr. Noup Paul (P) An overview of Ecotheology in theological training institutions in Central Africa: Case study in Cameroon	Dr. Abate Abena (P) Ecotheology as an Academic discipline: The Use of Ethiopian Hagiography as Material	Dr. Ritu Dhingra (O) Echoes of the Past: Uncovering Ancient Roots of Environmental Jurisprudence in India

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11.00-12.00 Break (Short lunch and coffee in Stavanger)

12.00- 12.45 Room 1: Keynote 2: **Dr. Christine A Nellist**

Title: “Orthodox Ecotheology: An Evaluation of Orthodox, Academic & Seminar Engagement and Examples for discussions”

13.00-14.00 Group section B Paper presentations (3 groups x 3)

Room 1 Language: Eng.	Room 2 Fr.	Room 3 Eng.
Moderator: Moderator: Dr. Abate Gobena (P)	Moderator: Prof. Frederique Brossard Børhaug (P)	Moderator: Prof. Elisabeth Naurath (O)
Dr. Beth Elness-Hanson (P) Context Matters for Transformational Ecotheology: A Comparison of the Swedish and American Theological Academies	Dr. Jean Patrick Nkolo Fanga (P) La désertification au Maroc et le rôle des communautés religieuses Desertification in Morocco and the role of people of faith in the response	Prof. Marius Timmann Mjaaland (O): Creation in Deep Time
<i>Dr. Zoran Turza (O) :</i> Innovating Ecotheological Education: Two Course Models in Higher Education	Prof. Nginshuti Marcel (O) Ecotheologie dans la formation pastorale en Afrique: opportunités, difficultés et orientations pratiques	Aksel-Johan Lund, PhD-candidate (P) Friend or Foe? The Relationship Between Animal Theology and Ecotheology in Contemporary Theology
Prof. Tom S. Bredal (P) Tomren: Ecotheology as an academic discipline-experiences from Norway	Dr. Roger M. Rubunguzo (O): Habiter la terre et "etre-avec". Revisiter les traditions negro-africaines a la lumiere de "Laudato si"	Prof. Knut Alfsvaag (P) Incarnation as the goal of creation: On the ecological significance of a Christocentric world view

14.15- 14.45 Discussions – Eng. Room 1 (Breakout rooms) -Fr. Room 2

15.00 -15.45 Room 1: Keynote 3: Professor **Niels Gregersen**

Titel: “Deep Incarnation and ecology”

16.00-17.00 Summary from the different room’s day 1by moderators and information in plenary – Room 1

19.30 (In Stavanger: Dinner)

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Tuesday

08.30-09.15 Rom 1: Keynote 4: Prof. **Heinrich Bedford-Strohm**

Title: Will be announced

09.30 - 10.30 Paper presentations D (3 groups x 3 = 9: D1; D2; D3

Room 1 Language EN	Room 2 FR	Room 3 EN.
Moderator: Prof. Knut Alfsvaag (P)	Moderator: <i>Dr. Louk Andrianos (P)</i>	Moderator: (O): <i>Eirik A. Steenhoff</i> . PhD-Candidate (O):
Prof. Nadja Furlan Štante (P) Is Western Christian (P) Ecotheology listening to the Ecotheological Perspectives and Practices of the Global South?	Dr. Kuate Djilo C. Hervé (O) Écothéologie et spiritualité africaine (bamiléké)	Dr. Michael Jemphrey (O) When Words Shape the Earth: Translation, Worldviews, and Creation Care
Dr. Tamas Kodacsy (O) Theological Biodiversity – What Can We Learn from Biological Diversity in Social Context?	Dr, Paul Deouyo (O) Mang-Djala ; Une approche autochtone de Cameroun	Fr. Garen Yosulkanian (O) MA Ecotheology in the Armenian Liturgy
Prof. Tobias Häner (O) Ecology of Transfiguration: Perspectives on Orthodox Theology of Creation	Prof. Marcel Ngirinshuti Prof. Tom Sverre Bredal- Tomren (O//P) Écothéologie et crise environnementale en Afrique - État des lieux - enjeux et perspectives (présentation d'un manuel	Prof. Daniel Nii Aboagye Aryeh (O) Ecotheological component within a socio-rhetorical framework for Luke 13:6-9: Social and Cultural Analysis

10.30 -12.00 Break/ In Stavanger: Sermon Creation Day/ Lunch

12.00- 12.45 Keynote 5 Room 1 **Martin Palmer.**

Title: “Confounding the sceptics – the rise of the world’s largest civil society
environmental movement – faiths.”

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13.00- 14.00. Group section e Paper présentations etc.

Room 1: Scandinavian Langue	Room 2 EN.	Room 3 EN
Moderator:	Moderator: Dr. Tamas Kodacsy (O) Dir.	Moderator : Prof. Nadja Furlan Štante (P)
Dr. Gunnar Innerdal (P) Synd, økologi og klima	Daria Kuznetsova (O) Southern Siberian shamanism and it's role in ecological discourse in resource management politics in Russian Federation.	Discussion room. What is ecotheology, what should it be, and what is needed to promote ecotheology in academia and in the churches?
Dr. Hans Kolstad (O): Norske naturfilosofer. En 50-årig uavbrutt tradisjon. [Norwegian uninterrupted tradition] natural philosophers. A 50- year	Prof. Ninna Edgards (O) Boundaries as blessings - exhaustion of creation as a concern for Christian congregations	As above
Prof. Anne Rebecca Solevåg, Prof. Retief Muller og Tom S. Prof. Bredal- Tomren AKTEOL (P) : Studentaktiv økoteologi; læring som krysser ekvator	Adrian Shaw. (O) Phd. Stud. The Ecotheology of Improvement: Religion and the Environment in the Statistical Account of Scotland (1790- 1797)	As above

14.15-15.15 Keynote 6: **Professor Ernst Conradie:** "From the Theological Encyclopedia to Doing Ecotheology: On Finding and Losing the Way"

15.15-15.45: Final discussion: The path forward for the profession and the network?
Plenary + breakout rooms