



ENTANGLED CHRISTIANITIES  
100–1500 CE  
ORTHODOX ACADEMY OF CRETE

**Conference Programme**

DAY 1

(November 24)

7.30–8.30 Breakfast

8.45–9.00 Opening remarks

**9.00–9.30 Keynote Speech regarding the Scientific Program “The Evlogon,” Prof. Emeritus Antonia Moropoulou (National Technical University of Athens)**

9.30–11.00 **Session 1**

*David the Builder as the ‘New Constantine’: Byzantine Imperial Ideals and Christian Kingship in 12th-Century Georgia*

Salome Gviniashvili, Central European University

*Between Rome and Constantinople: Christianity in the Byzantine Duchy of Naples During the Passage from the Late Antiquity to the Early Middle Ages*

Fermude Gülsevinç, Koc University

11.00–11.30 **Coffee break**

11.30–13.30 **Session 2**

*Why Byzantine Penitentials Focus on Intimate Issues? Sexual Life and Social Control in Middle Byzantine Communities*

Edward Trofimov, American School of Classical Studies at Athens

*3rd–4th Century Christian Martyrs in the Armenian Synaxarion: National or Christian Identity?*

Tatevik Stepanyan, Mashtots Matenadaran-Institute of Ancient Manuscripts, Yerevan

*Universal and Local: Writing Christianity in Irish and English in the Early Middle Ages – An Entangled Approach*

Elizabeth Tyler, University of York, & Máire Ní Mhaonaigh, University of Cambridge

**13.30 Lunch**

**15.00–17.00 Visit to Gonia Monastery & Rotonda (Episkopi)**

**17.00–18.30 Session 3**

*The ‘Tricks of Monks’: Christians in The Book of Charlatans*

Peter Konieczny, Medievalists.net

*Appropriation of the Christian Past in Post-Conquest Coptic Hagiography*

Przemysław Piwowarczyk, Silesian University of Katowice

*Between Unity and Division: Entangled Views of Christianity in the Letter to Mehmed II by Pope Pius II*

Anja Božič, Central European University

**18.30–20.00 Session 4**

*Holy Rites, Imperial Heights: Typological Deification in the Basilica of San Vitale’s Mosaics*

Corinna Robinson, Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America

*The Entanglement of the First Carmelite Cloister on Mount Carmel with the Mamluk Armies in the Thirteenth Century*

Fanny Vitto, Independent Researcher

*Paganism in Early Christian Material Culture in Late-Antique Athens*

Panagiota Mantouvalou, University of Birmingham

**20.00 Dinner**

DAY 2

(November 25)

**7.45–8.45 Breakfast**

**9.00–10.30 Session 5**

*Transforming Body and Mind. Anglo-Saxon Coin Pendants as Active Objects During Christianisation*

Marion Fauqueur, University of Montreal

*Adopting the Christian romanitas: Mediating a Sense of Belonging through Romanesque Architecture*

Line M. Bonde, National Museum of Denmark

*Entangled Views of Christianity in Pagan Lithuania. Useful Tool vs Path to Martyrdom*

Rasa Mažeika, University of Toronto, New College

**10.30–11.00 Coffee Break**

**11.00–12.30 Session 6**

*The Christ, the Holy Man, and the Wilderness in Early Boreal Christianity*

Martin Wangsgaard Jürgensen, National Museum of Denmark

*Asinou Across Confessions: Latin, Greek, Miaphysite, and the Church of the East*

Matthew J. Milliner, Wheaton College

*Mozarabic Christians' Eleventh-Century Entanglements with a Northern Christianity and an Andalusian Islam*

Anthony John Lappin, Stockholm University

**12.30 Lunch**

**13.30–16.00 Free time**

**16.00–17.30 Session 7**

*Augustine of Hippo's De baptismo contra donatistas as an Invitation for Integration*

Athanase Bukin, KU Leuven

*Early Syriac Christianity as a Center: Spiritual Geography of Cyrillonas*

Jan Dominik Bogataj, Pontifical Lateran University

*Christians and Otherness: Approaches to Pagans, Heretics, and Jews in the Miracles of Saints Kosmas and Damian*

Elle Jones, University of Liverpool

**17.30–19.00 Session 8**

*Interpreting Enlightenment: East Syriac Christianity and Buddhist Thought in Tang China*

Rong Huang, New York University

*Hymnology and Theology in the Service of Imperial Authority: An Ecclesiological Aspect of the "Entanglement" of Christianity*

Pantelis Levakos, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens/KU Leuven

**19.00 Dinner**

DAY 3

(November 26)

**7.45–8.45 Breakfast**

9.00–10.30 *The Contribution of the First Ecumenical Council to the Various Christian Identities (Roundtable)*

John Joseph Gallagher, University of St Andrews

Peter Konieczny, Medievalists.net

Johannes Preiser-Kapeller, University of Vienna

Hagith Sivan, University of Kansas

Konstantina Stefanaki, Orthodox Academy of Crete

Zoe Tsiami, University of Thessaly/Orthodox Academy of Crete

**10.30–11.00 Coffee Break**

**11.00–11.30 Closing Remarks**

**12.30 Lunch**

**13.30 Excursion to Chania City**

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