



Conference on

The Perception of Science by Calvinists, Lutherans, Unitarians and Religious Dissenters in Central Eastern Europe

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THE PROGRAMME

11 April, 2024 (Thursday) – lectures

- 08.00-8.30 Registration
08.30-08.45 Welcome, Prof. Dr. Ábrahám Kovács (Project leader)

Panel I. chairperson: Prof. Dr. Ábrahám KOVÁCS, (J. Selye University, Slovakia)

- 09.00-09.20 Prof. Dr. Péter SZENTPÉTERY (Lutheran Theological University, Hungary): *Some Indispensable Theological Questions about Darwin's Work and Testimony*
09.20-09.40 Dr. Balázs MAGYAR (University of Pretoria, South Africa): *Paul Sárvári's Contribution to the Philosophical Sciences at Reformed College of Debrecen, special emphasis on his Philosophical Ethics*
09.40-10.00 Discussion

Panel II. chairperson: Prof. Dr. Marcel Marcelaru

- 10.00-10.20 Dr. Csaba TÓDOR (Protestant Theological University, Faculty of Unitarian Theology, Cluj-Kolozsvár, Romania): *Between the desires of the heart and the objects of reason: the relationship between philosophy and theology in the thought of János Körmöczi*
10.20-10.40 Dr. Péter HOLLÓ (Adventist Theological University, Hungary): *Adventists and science in Hungary*
10.40-11.00 Discussion

Panel III. chairperson: Dr. Balázs Magyar

- 11.20-11.40 Dr. Levente HORVÁTH (Protestant Theological University, Cluj-Kolozsvár, Romania): *Early Transylvanian Philosophical Efforts for Finding an Epistemological Method*
11.40-12.00 Dr. Maria FLORUTAU (Uppsala University, Sweden): *Reformed religious networks and their contribution to the circulation of scientific knowledge in Enlightenment-era Transylvania*
12.00-12.00 Discussion

12.00-13.30 Lunch

Panel IV. chairperson: Dr. Péter Szentpétery

- 13.30-13.50 Dr. Emmanuel CONTAC (Pentecostal University, Bukarest, Romania): *Romanian Baptists and their efforts to counter the materialist ideology during the Communist regime*
13.50-14.10 Prof. Dr. József POSTA (University of Debrecen, Hungary): *István Hatvani – the natural philosopher from University of Debrecen*
14.10-14.30 Discussion

14.30-14.50 Coffee break

Panel V. chairperson: Dr. Péter Holló

- 15.00-15.20 Prof. Dr. Marcel MARCELARU (Aurel Vlaicu University of Arad, Romania): *Pentecostals and Creation Care - A Romanian Perspective*
15.20-15.40 Dr. Árpád KULCSÁR (Partium Christian University, Romania): *The Issue of Creation in Theology and Natural Sciences Bishop László Ravasz's synthesis*
15.40-16.00 Discussion

16.00-16.30 Coffee break

Panel VI. chairperson: Prof. Dr. József Posta

- 16.30-16.50 Gábor LÁNYI: „*The Harmony of Faith and Knowledge*”. *Diverse Hungarian Neocalvinist Views on the Relationship between Religion and Science in the First Half of the 20th Century*
- 16.50-17.10 Prof. Dr. Péter KÓNYA (Presov University, Slovakia): *The College of Eperjes as the Lutheran Scientific Centre of Upper Hungary*
- 17.10-17.30 Dr. Annamária KÓNYA (Presov University, Slovakia): *Education of natural sciences in Reformed and Lutheran schools in the early modern period – comparison*
- 17.30 *Discussion*
- 18.00 Dinner**