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Arrivals at Berlin, Lazarus-Stift:

- for participants travelling from abroad if necessary: Sunday 14 Dec in the late afternoon
- for all other participants: Monday morning until early afternoon time 14.00

Monday 15 Dec

Public Seminar on Religion and Development (Monday afternoon until 18.00)

14.30 Welcome in Headquarters of Bread for the World with Tea and Coffee
Amalie Sieveking Seminar Room 0.K.01. Ground Floor

15.00 Official Opening Rev. Dr. Dietrich Werner

- World of Welcome from President of Bread for the World (10 min)
Rev. Cornelia Füllkrug-Weitzel
- The Current State of the International Discourse on Religion and Development,

Keynote-

Lecture: Dr. Katherine Marshall, Berkley Center, Georgetown University, USA (40 min)

Panel No 1 with Three Responses on the International Discourse on Religion and Development: (Moderation: Dr. Kenneth Mtata)

- The Relevance of Religion in Development as seen from Asian Perspectives: Response Dr. Paul Martin Chandran (10 min)
- The Relevance of Religion in Development as seen from African Perspectives: Response from Bishop Shekutaamba V.V. Nambala, Namibia (10 min)
- The Relevance of Religion in Development as seen from the perspectives of specialized ministries – the example of the study document on religion and development from APRODEV Floris Faber, Belgium(10 min)

Short Sharing in buzz groups (10 min)

Panel No 2 with three voices on the relevance of religion and development issues for politics and future development cooperation: (Moderation: Dr. Dietrich Werner)

- The new Interest in the role of values the interface between religion and development in the German Ministry for Development Cooperation (Rev. Dr. Bernhard Felmberg, BMZ) (15 min)

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- The new Interest in the interface between religion and development in the European Commission (Jean-Louis Ville, European Commission, DG DEVCO) (10 min)
- Religion and Development in the context of Human Dignity, Community Resilience and Environmental Sustainability: Reflections from ACT Alliance (Sarah Kambarami, Head of Programs, ACT Alliance Geneva) (10 min)
- First responses to the presentations and reactions from the plenary (Dr. Kenneth Mtata) (20 min)
- Concluding Words and Announcements from the Moderator

17.30 End of Public Seminar

International Consultation on Religion and Development

18.00 Dinner for registered participants and guests of the public seminar Amale Sieveking, Part B

19.00 Continuation of the conference for registered participants only (Amalie Sieveking Part A)

Mutual introduction of participants (Dr. Kenneth Mtata)

Formal Introduction into the program of the consultation, the working procedures and expected results (Dr. Dietrich Werner)

House-keeping matters

Evening Blessing (Bishop Nambala)

20.30 Informal Evening in Lazarus-Stift/Hotel Grenzfall or surroundings

Tuesday 16 December

8.00 Breakfast in Lazarus-Stift

9.30 Plenary Session:

Opening and Morning Blessing (10 min) (Dr. Paul Martin Chandran)

Themes and Issues in the current debate on religion and development – New religious actors in development. Key note lecture, Dr. Gerrie ter Haar (40 min);

Moderation: Dr. Kenneth Mtata)

10.10 Responses from the plenary

10.30 Break

11.00 Mapping exercise on religion and development among the participating agencies): Thematic areas, recent initiatives and projects, pressing theological issues, interests for cooperation – sharing in groups; sharing in plenary (Moderation: Dr. Kenneth Mtata)

12.30 Lunch

14.00 Plenary: Introduction into purpose and methodology of group work (5 min) (Dr. D.Werner)

Group work period in allocated rooms

10 themes suggested (5 per session in groups with 8-9 participants and short

inputs):

1) Religion, peace and conflict solution (Eva Christina Nilsson, Jochen Kirsch)

2) The interface between human rights, religious identity and moral values (Jörg Lemvik, Christoph Stückelberger)

- 3) Development and freedom of religion (Bernd Nilles, Jean Duff)
- 4) Religious resources for sustainable development (Kjell Nordstokke, Raymond Kumalo)
- 5) Religion, Gender and development (Claudia Jahnel, Mungure Elieshi)
- 15.40 Break with tea and coffee (in meeting rooms for groups)
- 16.00 Continuation of group work with new themes/composition
- 6) Evidencing the intersection of religion and development – national and regional expertise profiles on religion and development (Martin Mauthe, Kenneth Mtata)
- 7) Interfaith partnership in development (Michael Biehl, Paul Martin Chandran)
- 8) New religious movements and their role in development (Jörg Haustein, Susan Durber)
- 9) Religious identities, dialogue, impartiality and humanitarian aid (Lars Udsholt, Martin Quack)
- 10) Strategic capacity building and leadership training in religion and development (Petri Meerenlahti, Dietrich Werner)
- 18.00 Dinner
- 19.00 Special Plenary:
Religion and Development in the Chinese Context, A Case Study, Dr. Theresa Carino, Amity Foundation, China
- Evening Blessing (Dr. Uta Andree)
- 20.30 Informal Evening in Lazarus Stift or surroundings

Wednesday 17 December

- 8.00 Breakfast in Lazarusstift
- 9.30 Plenary Session:
Opening and Morning Blessing (10 min) (Gunila Hallonsten)
Plenary session on the Intersection between FBOs and political and civil society (Moderation: Dr. Kenneth Mtata)
- a) The Interface between Faith Based Organizations and political and civil society actors – Keynote address: Dr. Kjell Nordstokke (20 min)
- b) The contribution of FBOs to the current debate about SDGs and a new matrix for development – Dr. Bernd Nilles, General Secretary CIDSE, Belgium (20 min)
- Plenary discussion
- 10.30 Break
- 10.45 Continuation of plenary session
- b) The role of new value systems in the interaction between religion and development – the example of Globethics.net - global business ethics forum: Keynote address: Prof. Christoph Stückelberger (20 min)
- c) The intersection of religion, development and education from the perspective of ATS and ATESEA, Dr. Lester Ruiz, USA/Philippines (20 min)
- Plenary discussion

- 13.00 Lunch
- 14.30 Plenary session - Short reports from group work sessions (10 facilitators):
Suggestions for follow up and reflective plenary on the group reports
- 15.45 Break with Coffee and Tea
- 16.15 Excursion to Ministry of BMZ (Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development), Berlin, Anhalter Bahnhof
- 17.00 Welcome and short Introduction into BMZ - above the rooftops of Berlin
(Conference Hall 11th Floor)
Representative from Leadership of BMZ (Staatssekretär NN), Moderation: Martin Mauthe
- 17.15 Short Introduction and highlights from the International Consultation on Religion and Development (Dr. Dietrich Werner/Dr. Kenneth Mtata)
- 17.30 Presentation: The Charter for the Future: One World – Our Responsibility. The German Government Position Paper in Dialogue with the Churches.
Presentation on behalf of BMZ (Michael Krake, Director of Strategic Planning Unit BMZ);
- 18.30 Reception and Dinner above the rooftops of Berlin in BMZ (conference hall 11th floor)
- 20.00 Return to Lazarus-Stift/Hotel Grenzfall or individual excursions in Berlin City

Thursday 18th December

- 8.00 Breakfast in Lazarusstift
- 9.00 Plenary Session:
Morning Prayer: Susan Durber
- Presentation of the Proposal for a Working Platform on Religion and Development (Community of Practice within the ACT Alliance structure or beyond)
Dr. Kenneth Mtata, Dr. Dietrich Werner
First reactions to the Proposal (Input: Sarah Kambarami and Claudia Jahnel, 20 min)
- Reviewing the working groups suggestions and the overall conference:
Two Reflectors Report: Kjell Nordstocke, Uta Andree
- 10.30 Break
- 11.00 Concluding Plenary:
- Suggestions for concrete project related follow up work
- Announcement of bilateral or multilateral working coalitions on certain topic and issues
- Looking ahead into the next three years
- Evaluation of the consultation
- Farewell
- 12.30 Lunch and Departures