



## The Lutheran World Federation Global Perspectives on the Reformation

Interactions between Theology, Politics and Economics

28 October—1 November 2015

Windhoek, Namibia

Wed, 28 Oct	Arrival and Opening
	<b>Arrival of participants</b> ( <i>check-in at Safari Hotel</i> )
<b>15:30</b>	<b>Departure for Paulinum United Lutheran Theological Seminary (by bus)</b>
<b>16:00</b>	<b>Opening worship</b> ( <i>Paulinum United Lutheran Theological Seminary</i> ) <i>Preacher: Bishop em. Zephania Kameeta, Minister of Poverty Eradication and Social Welfare; Presider: Rev. Sonia Skupch</i>
<b>17:00</b>	<b>Break</b>
<b>17:30</b>	<b>Opening of conference</b> ( <i>Paulinum United Lutheran Theological Seminary</i> ) Moderator: Rev. Dr Kaisamari Hintikka  <b>Greetings</b> Presiding Bishop Dr Alex G. Malasusa Bishop Dr Veikko Munyika  <b>Presentation 500 Years of Reformation: Liberated by God's Grace</b> Rev. Dr Martin Junge, General Secretary, LWF
<b>19:00</b>	<b>Depart for University of Namibia (by bus)</b>
<b>19:30</b>	<b>Dinner</b> ( <i>University of Namibia</i> ) <i>Greeting: Prof. Dr Jan Hunter</i>
<b>21:00</b>	<b>Depart for Safari Hotel (by bus)</b>

Thu, 29 Oct

## The Role of Theology in Contemporary Societies

**8:30**                    **Morning devotion and Bible study**  
*Philippians 2*  
Rev. Dr Samuel Dawai (Cameroon)

**9:30**                    **Session 1 – Keynote presentations (plenary)**  
**Moderator: Rev. Anne Burghardt**

Prof. Ezra Chitando (Zimbabwe)  
*That All May Live: Theology, Economics and Liberation*

Prof. Bernd Oberdorfer (Germany)  
*Law and Gospel, Two Realms: Lutheran Distinctions, Revisited*

**11:00**                    **Coffee Break**

**11:30**                    **Session 2 – Panel discussion: The Role of Theology in Contemporary Societies**  
**(in groups)**

**13:00**                    **Lunch**

**15:00**                    **Session 3 – Panel presentations (plenary)**  
**Moderator: Rev. Dr Elaine Neuenfeldt**

Rev. Dr Kenneth Mtata (Zimbabwe/Switzerland)  
*„What is the human being that you are mindful of him?": Being Human before God and one another in Psalm 8, in Lutheran Tradition and Today*

Ass. Prof. Mary Joy Philip (India/Canada)  
*The Three Sisters' Garden: Living together for the Common Good*

Prof. Valerio Schaper (Brazil)  
*Human Dignity: Luther's Perspective*

**16:30**                    **Break**

**17:00**                    **Session 4 – Workshops**

- Gender justice
- Theological education
- Communion and mutual accountability

**18:30**                    **Evening prayer (in workshops)**

**19:00**                    **Dinner**

Fri, 30 Oct

Religion and Politics

8:30

**Morning devotion and Bible study**

*Engaging with Powers: A Theological Re-imagining of Reformation Today (Rom 12/13)*  
Rev. Dr Evangeline Anderson-Rajkumar (India)

9:30

**Session 5 – Keynote presentations (plenary)**

**Moderator: Rev. Dr Simone Sinn**

Archbishop Dr Antje Jackelén (Sweden)

*Justification and Justice. The Relevance of Lutheran Distinctions in Church and Society*

Dr Nancy Cardoso (Brazil)

*Why with Impatience do I Pray? Justification and Justice: Outcry of Land and People*

11:00

**Coffee Break**

11:30

**Session 6 – Panel discussion: Religion and Politics  
(in groups)**

13:00

**Lunch**

15:00

**Session 7 – Panel presentations (plenary)**

**Moderator: Dr Ojot Ojulu**

Bishop Dr Tamás Fabiny (Hungary)

*Confessing the Past – Attempts in the Evangelical–Lutheran Church in Hungary to  
Evaluate the Role of the Lutheran Church during Dictatorships*

Prof. John Roth (US)

*Just Peacemaking: Christian Pacifism as a Form of Political Responsibility*

Bishop Dr Veikko Munyika (Namibia)

*Church and Politics. Active Engagement for Justice and Reconciliation*

16:30

**Break**

17:00

**Session 8 – Workshops**

- Religion and development
- Climate justice
- Interreligious relations and public space

18:30

**Evening prayer (in workshops)**

19:00

**Dinner**

Sa, 31 Oct

## Religion and Economics

8:30

### Morning devotion and Bible study

*"You cannot serve God and wealth" (Matthew 6:24 // Luke 16:13).*

Rev. Dr Petri Merenlahti (Finland)

9:30

### Session 9 – Keynote presentations (plenary)

Moderator: Rev. Dr Elieshi Mungure

Prof. Tomáš Sedláček (Czech Republic)

*Economics an Orchestrated Orchestrater. Economics as New Global Religion?*

Prof. Guillermo Hansen (Argentina/US)

*An Economy of Grace? Money, Religion and Tyranny in Luther's Theology*

11:00

### Coffee Break

11:30

### Session 10 – Panel discussion: Religion and Economics (in groups)

13:00

### Lunch

15:00

### Session 11 – Panel presentations (plenary)

Moderator: Rev. Dr Kenneth Mtata

Prof. Nils Ole Oermann (Germany)

*Business Ethics from a Lutheran Perspective - the Crucial Difference between a Person and their Employer*

Prof. Jaana Hallamaa (Finland)

*The Apple Tree under the Rainbow*

Prof. Gerald West (South Africa)

*The Lord's Prayer as the Economic Manifesto of Jesus*

16:30

### Break

17:00

### Session 12 – Concluding panel (plenary)

Moderator: Rev. Dr Kaisamari Hintikka

#### Transforming Church and Society—Locally and Globally

Rev. Dr Martin Junge (Chile/Switzerland)

Prof. Dr Mercedes Garcia Bachmann (Argentina)

Archbishop Dr Antje Jackelén (Sweden)

Prof. Dr Paul J. Isaak (Namibia)

18:30

### Evening prayer (in plenary)

19:00

### Dinner

**Sun, 1 Nov**

**Exploring the local context**

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| <b>09:00</b> | <b>Worship in local congregations</b>                      |
| <b>12:30</b> | <b>Lunch</b> (Safari hotel)                                |
| <b>14:00</b> | <b>Excursion: Game drive at Okapuka</b><br><b>(by bus)</b> |
| <b>19:00</b> | <b>Return to hotel</b>                                     |
| <b>19:30</b> | <b>Dinner</b> (Safari hotel)                               |