

PROGRAMME

12th November 2014 (Wednesday)

10.00-10.30 - Conference opening

- *Archbishop Prof. dr hab. Stanisław Budzik - Archbishop of the Lublin Metropoly, Great Chancellor of John Paul II Catholic University of Lublin (KUL)*
- *Rev. Prof. dr hab. Antoni Dębiński - Rector of the John Paul II Catholic University of Lublin (KUL)*
- *Senator of the Republic of Poland Grzegorz Bierecki - The Polish Catholic Institute "Sursum Corda"*

Session I.

European perspective

10.30-11.10 - **The presence of the cross in public space from the perspective of the European Court of Human Rights** – *Prof. dr Rik Torfs - Rector of KU Leuven (Catholic University of Leuven)*

11.10-11.50 - **The cross and other religious symbols in the EU law. Remarks on the future accession of the EU to the ECHR** – *Dr Michał Rynkowski - Programme Officer (European Commission)*

11.50-12.30 - Discussion

12.30-14.00 - Lunch (Mercure Hotel, Al. Raławickie 12)

Session II.

Solutions adopted in selected European states (part I)

14.00-14.30 - **Italy** – *Prof. Giorgio Feliciani (Faculty of Canon Law San Pio X, Venice)*

14.30-15.00 - **Spain** – *Prof. dr Javier Martinez-Torron (Complutense University of Madrid)*

15.00-15.30 - **Germany** – *Prof. dr Stephan Haering (Ludwig Maximilian University of Munich)*

15.30-16.00 - Discussion

16.00-16.30 - Coffee break

16.30-17.00 - **United Kingdom** – *Prof. Mark Hill QC (Cardiff University and University of Pretoria)*

17.00-17.30 - **France** – *Prof. Philippe Nélidoff (Toulouse 1 Capitole University)*

17.30-18.00 - Discussion

19.00 - Dinner (Mercure Hotel, Al. Raławickie 12)



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Session III.

Solutions adopted in selected European states (part II)

- 9.00-9.30 - **Lithuania** – Rev. prof. dr Kazimieras Meilius and prof. dr Jonas Juskevicius (Mykolas Romeris University, Vilnius)
9.30-10.00 - **Romania** – Dr Laurențiu Tănase (University of Bucharest)
10.00-10.30 - **Slovakia** – Prof. dr Michaela Moravčíková (Trnava University in Trnava)
10.30-11.00 - Discussion
11.00-11.30 - Coffee break
11.30-12.00 - **Switzerland** – Prof. dr René Pahud de Mortanges (University of Fribourg)
12.00-12.30 - **Ireland** – Dr Brian Conway (National University of Ireland Maynooth)
12.30-13.00 - **Greece** – Dr Konstantinos Papastathis (University of Luxembourg)
13.00-13.30 - Discussion
13.30-15.00 - Lunch (Mercure Hotel, Al. Raławickie 12)

Session IV.

Polish perspective

- 15.00-15.20 - **The presence of the cross in public space and the principle of impartiality of public authorities** – Dr hab. university prof. Dariusz Dudek (KUL)
15.20-15.40 - **The presence of the cross in public space and the freedom of conscience and religion** – Rev. dr hab. university prof. Piotr Stanisław (KUL)
15.40-16.00 - **The presence of the cross in public space and the right of parents to educate their children in conformity with their convictions** – Dr hab. university prof. Paweł Sobczyk (Opole University)
16.00-16.30 - Discussion

16.30 - **Conference closing**
· Prof. dr hab. Henryk Cioch (KUL), Senator of the Republic of Poland - The Polish Catholic Institute "Sursum Corda"
· Rev. dr hab. university prof. Piotr Stanisław (KUL), Dean of the Faculty of Law, Canon Law and Administration