

First Announcement

3rd European Conference on Religion, Spirituality and Health

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General Information

The 3rd European Conference on Religion, Spirituality and Health will focus on **spiritual care**. The keynote speakers approach the topic from their specific professional background, aiming to enhance the interdisciplinary dialogue between medicine, neuroscience and theology. The **Bern Lecture** is offered by Prof. Eckhard Frick, Professor for Spiritual Care at Ludwig-Maximilians-University in Munich. Symposia covering a broad

range of topics invite discussion. Free communications allow research groups to present their research projects either orally or as posters. The best presentation given by a young researcher will be honoured by the **Young Researchers Award**.

The conference aims to strengthen the network among researchers in the field and to promote scientific projects. A public lecture will be given by Prof. Traugott Roser.

Keynote Speakers & Main Topics

- Bonaguidi Franco, Dr. phil.
Institute of Clinical Physiology of the CNR, Pisa/Italy
Role of Religion in Patients undergoing Liver Transplantation
- Danbolt Lars, Dr. theol., Adj. Prof.
Norwegian School of Theology, Head of Center for Psychology of Religion, Oslo/Norway
Disasters, Ritual and Mental Health
- Furness Sheila, Senior Lecturer
Social Sciences and Humanities, University of Bradford, UK
Impact and Significance of Religion and Belief in Social Work
- Frick Eckhard, Prof. Dr. med.
Professorship of Spiritual Care, Medical Faculty, University of Munich, Germany
Spiritual Care – How Does it Work?
- Granqvist Pehr, Assoc. Prof.
Department of Psychology, Stockholm University, Sweden
Attachment, Spirituality and Mental Health
- Hefti René, Dr. med., Lecturer
Medical Faculty, University of Bern, Switzerland
Cardiovascular Medicine and Spirituality – State of the Art and Consequences for Care?
- Koenig Harold, Prof. Dr. med.
Duke University Medical Center, Durham, NC/USA
Spiritual Care in the United States - Research, Understanding and Practice
- McSherry Wilfred, Prof.
Faculty of Health, Staffordshire University, UK
Definition of Spirituality in the Context of Elderly Care
- Verhagen Peter, MD
Dutch Foundation for Psychiatry and Religion, Netherlands
Spiritual Care in Psychiatry-Future Perspectives
- Watts Fraser, Prof., Director
Psychology and Religion Research Group, Cambridge, UK
Cognitive Processes and Religion: A Two-Systems Approach

Public Lecture

- Roser Traugott, Prof. Dr. theol.
Professorship of Spiritual Care, Munich, Germany
Spiritual Care - Modewort, Trend oder echte Notwendigkeit? (in german language)

Call for Abstracts

We invite the submission for oral or poster presentations until December 15, 2011
www.ecrsh.eu (see abstracts)