MISSION AND MONEY - Mission in the context of global inequalities

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LIST OF PANELS AND PAPERS

THURSDAY APRIL 3RD, 15:30-18:15

PHD WORKSHOP

i. Essi Huuhka: Finnish Missionary Society’s work among the poor in South West Africa, c. 1900—1915
   a. Respondent: Prof. Gerrie ter Haar

ii. Kevin Hargaden: Mission, charity and the post-Christian Irish imagination
   a. Respondent: Prof. Jonathan Bonk

iii. Dan Brockway: Praeparatio or Prolepsis? Reframing the Relationship between Christianity and African Traditional Religions in Light of Pannenberg’s Theology of the History of Religions
   a. Respondent: Prof. Jesse Mugambi

iv. Åsa Engnér: Transformation and Communication in theology and the performing arts
   a. Respondent: Dr. Auli Vähäkangas
1. **PARTNERSHIP IN THE CONTEXT OF INEQUALITIES**
   Organizer: Jonas Adelin Jørgensen
   i. Wilbert van Saane: “Mission, money and mutuality in 20th century Dutch Protestant discourse”
   ii. Tomas Sundnes Drönen: “Cracks and in-betweens”

2. **EXPLORING ECONOMIES OF THE SPIRIT: WEALTH AND MONEY IN EAST AFRICAN CHARISMATIC CHRISTIANITY**
   Organizer: Martin Lindhardt
   i. Martin Lindhardt: “Ritual handling of money within Tanzanian Charismatic Christian communities”
   iii. Martina Prosén: “The Price for Ritual Immersion”
   iv. Lotta Gammelin: “Discourses of Wealth in the Gospel Miracle Church for All People”
3. Mission, Aid and Development in Africa: Beyond the Western Paradigm for Social Transformation
Organizer: Stan Chu Ilo
i. Thinandavha Derrick Mashau: “Mission in the context of inequalities: A case for exploding South African cities like Sunnyside”
v. Edwin Arrison: “Mission, money and inequality in the South African context”

4. Discourses on the Pentecostal Prosperity Gospel – Reflections from the Margins
Organizer: Andreas Heuser
i. Nathan Idrissu Samwini: “Social stratification as by-product of Gospel of prosperity in Africa”
iii. Michael Perry Tettey: “Social Transformation Though Pentecostal/Charismatic Imagination: The Case of Ghana”
iv. Stepan Ripka: “Conversion into poverty and deservingness: De-culturalization of poverty between Czech Charismatic Roma and German Evangelical donors”

5. Migrant Churches and Money: Economic and Religious Winners or Losers?
Organizer: Daniel Frei
i. Daniel Frei & Esther Imhof: “Prosperity gospel in African Migrant churches in Switzerland”
ii. Mika Vähäkangas: “Mammon, the Spirit and Faith: Prosperity Gospel in the Redeemed Christian Church of God in Helsinki, Finland”
vi. Victor Counted: “Millennial Identities as a Moneyless Missionary Paradigm: Can Gen Y Cut Down the Cost of Mission?” (Skype presentation?)
6. Faithbased NGOs and Economic Development
Organizer: Päivi Hasu

i. Liv Danbolt Drange: “Challenges in Nationalising Missionary Work in an Indigenous Context”
iii. Auli Vähäkangas: “The implications of faith communities being channels of distribution of development aid”
iv. Eva Pascal: “NGOs, Small Business, and Development: Evangelicals and Local Partnerships in Thailand” – (Skype presentation?)

7. Missions, Biblical Hermeneutics and ‘Together Towards Life’
Organizer: Ulrich Duchrow

i. Minna Heimola: “Mission, Marginalization and Poverty in the Bible”
ii. Ulrich Duchrow: “Mission, economics and Biblical Hermeneutics”

8. Mission History from Denominational Perspectives
Organizer: Kristin Norseth

iii. Ruzivo Munetsi: “Jesuit Missions and the economics of land in Zimbabwe: A case study of the eviction of squatters from Chishwasha to Caledonia farm”
iv. Valentin Kozhuharov: “Orthodox Approaches to Mission”

9. Rethinking Mission in a Global Context
Organizer: Mika Vähäkangas

i. Michai Iordache: “Economy in the Church Fathers”
ii. Eskil Jonsson: “Reclaiming the Economy of God at a Time of Social, Economic and Ecological Injustices”
iii. Eleonora Hof: “Rethinking Vocation and Mission in World Christianity: From Territory to Community”
iv. Sibylle Fritsch-Oppermann: “10 to Dos for good (global) Governance and (Religious) Leadership in a World of Cultural and Religious Pluralism/s”

10. Indian Christianities, Integral Mission and Economies
Organizer: Jyri Komulainen

i. Anita Yadala Suneson, “Ideal Wealth, Ideal Poverty”
iii. Jonas A. Jørgensen: “Spiritualism and Materialism in South Indian Pentecostalism”