

# APECSS Conference

## *Early Christian Responses to Conflict*

### FINAL PROGRAMME

22-24 September 2017

*\* A note on venues*

All short papers and morning tea will be held in the Modular Buildings, at ACU, 81-89 Victoria Pde, on the ground floor, in rooms G.01-G.04 (Building 400 on your campus map)

All keynote lectures will be held in Christ Lecture theatre in Young St (Building 404 on your campus map)

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#### FRIDAY 22 September

4.30-5.30pm REGISTRATION in Christ Lecture Theatre foyer, building number 404

5.30pm WELCOME ADDRESS in Christ Lecture Theatre

Pauline ALLEN, Co-founder of APECSS

David SIM, Associate Dean of Research, Faculty of Theology and Philosophy, ACU Melbourne

6.00-7pm **KEYNOTE 1** Christ Lecture Theatre

Prof Robin M. JENSEN, Patrick O'Brien Professor of Theology, University of Notre Dame, USA

*Spitting on Statues and Saving Hercules' Beard: The Conflict over Images (and Idols) in Early Christianity*

Chair: Bronwen NEIL, Macquarie University

7.00-9 pm Reception in Christ Lecture theatre foyer, including light supper

#### SATURDAY 23 September

9.00-10.30 **SESSION 1**

**1A Conflicting Scriptures**

**400.G.01**

1. Sarah COOK, ACU Melbourne

*Matthew and Mark in the Context of Early Church Disputes*

2. Edwina Murphy, Morling College Sydney

*Imitating the Devil: Cyprian on Jealousy and Envy*

3. Matthew R. CRAWFORD, ACU Melbourne

*Tolerating Contradiction: Eusebius of Caesarea's Response to Conflicts within the Fourfold Gospel*

Chair: Miyako DEMURA, Tohoku Gakuin University, Sendai

**1B Sacred Space and Holy Places**

**400.G.02**

1. Naoki KAMIMURA, Tokyo Gakugei University

*Tertullian's Understanding of Sacred Places and the Differentiation of Christians from Pagans*

2. Richard MILES, University of Sydney

*Building Consensus in Sixth Century AD North Africa*

3. Pauline ALLEN, ACU Brisbane / University of Pretoria / Sydney College of Divinity  
*Two Foreign Saints in Palestine: Responses to Religious Conflict (5<sup>th</sup>-7th Centuries)*

Chair: Barry CRAIG

**1C Bishops at War with Pagans 400.G.03**

1. Seumas MACDONALD, Macquarie University  
*Stoics and Epicureans and Anomoians, oh my: Polemical guilt by association in Gregory of Nyssa's De Deitate*
2. Natalie MENDES, University of Sydney  
*The Gods Must be Crazy: Augustine's Reinvention of African Religion*
3. Daniel HANIGAN, University of Sydney  
*At the Crossroads of the Whole World: The Apophatic Theology of Etymology in Clement of Alexandria's Protrepticus*

Chair: Geoffrey DUNN, University of Pretoria

10.30-11 Morning tea in Modular Bldg, 400.G.04

11-12.30 **SESSION 2**

**2A Christians Managing Conflict 400.G.01**

1. Alex Hon Ho IP, Chung Chi Divinity School CUHK  
*A Christian response to economic conflict in a Christian household*
2. Hiroshi TONE, Doshisha University  
*Ambrose of Milan and the 'audientia episcopalis'. A Bishop's Response to Disputes between Citizens*
3. Barry Craig, Diocese of Cairns  
*Continuity and divergence in Innocent I's liturgical orthodoxy*

Chair: Jonathan CONANT, Brown University

**2B Conflicting Trinitarian Discourses 400.G.02**

1. Pak Wah LAI, Biblical Graduate School of Theology, Singapore  
*Friends, Foes and John Chrysostom's Trinitarian Discourse*
2. Ivan BODROŽIĆ – Vanda KRAFT SOIĆ, Catholic Faculty of Theology, University of Zagreb  
*St. Augustine's De Trinitate 1.7.14-1.8.15 as an Echo of Leporius' Case*
3. Dmitry BIRIUKOV, National Research University Higher School of Economics  
*The Arian Controversy of the Second Half of Fourth Century as a Debate over Universals*

Chair: Basil LOURIÉ, St Peterburg

**2C Bishops at War with Other Bishops 400.G.03**

1. Raymond LAIRD, ACU Brisbane  
*St John Chrysostom and Conflict in the Church: A model for the 21st Century?*
2. Bronwen NEIL, Macquarie University / University of South Africa  
*Addressing Doctrinal Conflict by Letter: Leo I on the Chalcedonian Controversy*

3. Wendy MAYER, Australian Lutheran College, University of Divinity / University of South Africa  
*Peace inflaming War: Severian of Gabala, John Chrysostom and conflicting conceptual frames*

Chair: Mary SHEATHER, ACU Canberra

12.30-1.30pm Lunch in Rooftop Garden, Daniel Mannix Bldg 403.6.05

1.30-3.00pm **SESSION 3**

**3A Responses to Imperial Persecution I** **400.G.01**

1. David C. SIM, ACU Melbourne  
*Benign Endurance or Active Vengeance? Responses to Violence in the Gospels of Mark and Matthew*
2. Ruth SUTCLIFFE, Christ College Sydney  
*To flee... or Not to Flee? Matthew 10:23 and Third Century Perspectives on Flight in Persecution*
3. Hubertus R. DROBNER, Paderborn University  
*Martyrdom in Augustine's Preaching. The Transition from an Exterior to an Interior Conflict*

Chair: Boris REPSCHINSKI, University of Innsbruck

**3B Rhetorical Responses to Religious Conflict** **400.G.02**

1. Mary SHEATHER, ACU Canberra  
*The Apology of Justin Martyr and the Legatio of Athenagoras: Two Responses to the Challenge of Being a Christian in the Second Century*
2. Satoshi OHTANI, Tohoku University, Japan  
*Philanthropia as a Result of Conflicts: A Deliberate Terminology in Late Antique Christian Historiography*

Chair: Wendy MAYER, Australian Lutheran College, University of Divinity / UNISA /SCD

**3C Disputation in Eastern Monasticism I** **400.G.03**

1. Doru COSTACHE, The Australian Institute for Orthodox Christian Studies  
*Drawing Indoors the Line of Division: The Letter to Diognetus and the Fifth Spiritual Homily of Macarius*
2. Kosta SIMIC, ACU Brisbane  
*Byzantine Liturgical Hymns as Instruments of Religious Polemics*

Chair: Matthew CRAWFORD, ACU Melbourne

3.00-4.00pm **KEYNOTE 2** in Christ Lecture Theatre

- Prof Boris REPSCHINSKI, SJ, New Testament Studies, University of Innsbruck  
*Shift the Issue and Win the Fight? Rhetorical Strategies of Dealing with Conflicts in Matthew's Gospel*

Chair: David SIM, ACU Melbourne

4.00-6.30pm Free time

6.30 for 7pm CONFERENCE DINNER, Zio's Restaurant, 14 Lansdowne St, East Melbourne (walking distance from ACU) – tickets can be purchased with registration

## SUNDAY 24 September

9-10.30am **SESSION 4**

### **4A The Pelagian Controversy**

**400.G.01**

1. Nozomu YAMADA, Nanzan University

*Political and Ecclesiastical Perspectives on Julian of Eclanum's Theological Response in the Pelagian Controversy*

2. Makiko SATO, University of Toyama

*Lying as Human Nature: Augustine's Concept of Lies in the Pelagian Controversy*

3. Miyako DEMURA, Tohoku Gakuin University, Sendai

*Augustine's response to the Origenist Controversy in De peccatorum meritis et remissione*

Chair: Naoki KAMIMURA, Tokyo Gakugei University

### **4B Responses to Imperial Persecution II**

**400.G.02**

1. Geoffrey DUNN, University of Pretoria

*"Romani principes aduersum nos prouocantur": Augustine of Hippo's Letter to Emeritus of Caesarea*

2. Ryan W. STRICKLER, Macquarie University

*Innocent Victims or Enemy Combatants? Persecution and Conflict in Seventh-Century Byzantium*

3. Michael CHAMPION, ACU Melbourne

*Concepts of Justice in Late-Antique Historiography*

Chair: Bronwen NEIL, Macquarie University

### **4C East versus West**

**400.G.03**

1. Fabian SCHULZ, University of Tübingen

*Do Christ and the Apostles belong to the East or to the West? Space and Authority in the Fourth-Century Church*

2. Claudia Dobrinski, Paderborn

*Hotspot Ravenna in the 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> Centuries*

3. Leonela FUNDIC, Macquarie University

*Picturing Conflicts between the Western and Eastern Churches in Byzantine Art*

Chair: Robin JENSEN, University of Notre Dame

10.30 – 11am Morning tea in Modular Bldg, 400.G.04

11am-12.30 **SESSION 5**

### **5A Disputation in Eastern Monasticism II**

**400.G.01**

1. Peter STEIGER, Chaminade University, Hawaii

*(No) Sympathy for the Devil? Love of Spiritual Adversaries in the Writings of Didymus the Blind*

2. Jonathan L. ZECHER, ACU Melbourne

*Arguing with Old Men: Tradition, Formation, and Disputation in Late Antique Gaza*

3. Alan Cadwallader, Charles Sturt University, Canberra

*The Devil Made You Do It: The Function of Mythological Dimensions of Conflict over the Healing Spring of St Michael of Chonai*

Chair: Michael CHAMPION, ACU Melbourne

**5B Doctrinal Conflict in Egypt 400.G.02**

1. Hind Salah El-Din SOMIDA AWAD, Cairo University

*The Archangel Michael in Upper Egypt as a Response to the Arian-Nicene Conflict*

2. Mario BAGHOS, The Australian Institute for Orthodox Christian Studies

*Turbulence in Alexandria and the Conflicting Representations of Athanasius and Cyril*

3. Youhanna NESSIM YOUSSEF, ACU Melbourne

*Settling Conflicts through Theological Debates after the Council of Chalcedon*

Chair: Doru COSTACHE, The Australian Institute for Orthodox Christian Studies

**5C Conflicts of Will 400.G.03**

1. Wakako HIRANO, Kobe College, Kyoto

*Nature, Will and Action according to Augustine*

2. Basil LOURIÉ, St Petersburg

*A Freedom beyond Conflict: The Logic of Internal Conflict and the Free Will in Maximus the Confessor*

3. Jung Hun BAE, ACU Brisbane

*Almsgiving and the Therapy of the Soul in John Chrysostom's Homilies on Matthew*

Chair: Pak Wah LAI, Biblical Graduate School of Theology, Singapore

12.30-1.30pm LUNCH in rooftop garden, Daniel Mannix Bldg 403.6.05

1.30-2.30pm **KEYNOTE 3** in Christ Lecture Theatre

Assoc Prof Jonathan P. CONANT, History, Brown University, Providence RI, USA

*Conflict, Trauma, and the Formation of an Early Christian Identity*

Chair: Kazuhiko DEMURA, Okayama University

2.30 Farewell