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Prof. Wolfgang Wieshaider Visiting Professor in Prague

We are pleased to announce that a long-time member and associate of the Church Law Society ao. Univ.-Prof. Mag. Dr. Wolfgang Wieshaider from the School of Law of the University of Vienna was appointed by the rector of the Charles University in Prague on the 1st March 2017 as a visiting professor at the School of Law of Charles University. Congratulations!



Prof. Wieshaider during the reception of the diploma of the visiting professor in the hall of the dean of the School of Law of Charles University in Prague on 24th April 2017.

Photo by David Kohout

Essener Gespräche 2017

On the 13th and 14th March 2017 the 52nd conference “Essener Gespräche zum Thema Staat und Kirche”, organised by the Catholic Bishopric in Essen, took place at the Wolfsburg Catholic Academy in Mülheim an der Ruhr, Germany. This year’s theme was

Global Human Rights and the Spread of the Christian Message.

The conference was attended by about 110 representatives of the religion law science from universities, Protestant and Catholic church offices, and governmental and judicial institutions from Germany, Austria, the Netherlands, the Czech Republic and representatives of the Council of Europe. The conference was organised by Dr. iur. Burkhard Kämper from Essen, moderated by prof. Dr. iur. Paul Kirchhof from Heidelberg.

The key contributions were made by

- prof. Dr. iur. Angelika Nußberger, vice-president of the European Court of Human Rights in Strasbourg, on the universality of human rights,
- prof. Dr. iur. Klaus Rennert, president of the Federal Administrative Court in Leipzig, on contribution of the judiciary to the exercise of human rights in religious sphere and
- Bishop of Essen Dr. theol. Franz-Josef Overbeck, on the church’s self-understanding.

Ten lectures by leading German experts followed. The Church Law Society was represented by Professor Jiří Rajmund Tretera and Associate Professor ICLic. Záboj Horák.



Mons. Franz-Josef Overbeck during his speech at “Essener Gespräche” on 13th March, 2017.

Photo by Záboj Horák

2017 Washington Summer Law Programs

Institute for U. S. Law, a non-profit academic and research institute, is now accepting registrations for its 2017 summer programs at the George Washington University Law School in Washington, D. C. The programs offer an intensive academic experience with leading professors and practitioners from top U. S. law schools and law firms as well as numerous professional networking opportunities in the capital city of the U. S. A.:

- pre-seminar, U. S. Legal English (July 20–29)
- U. S. Legal Methods: Introduction to U. S. Law (July 29–August 12).

For further information see www.iuslaw.org.

Fundamentalismus: Bedeutung, Rolle und Umgang

Sehr geehrte Damen und Herren,

wir laden Sie recht herzlich zur kirchenrechtlichen und rechtswissenschaftlichen Tagung 2017 zum Thema „Fundamentalismus: Bedeutung, Rolle und Umgang“ ein. Die Tagung findet vom 22. bis 23. Mai 2017 an der Katholisch-Theologischen Fakultät Innsbruck statt.

Nähere Einzelheiten entnehmen Sie bitte gerne dem anhängenden Programm bzw. der Homepage: <https://www.uibk.ac.at/praktheol/aktuell/einladung-tagung-mai-2017.pdf>.

Wir bitten Sie freundlich um Anmeldung bei Frau Juliane Kapferer (E-Mail: juliane.kapferer@uibk.ac.at, Tel.: 0512/507-8651).

Über eine Teilnahme Ihrerseits freuen wir uns.

Freundliche Grüße

Ihre Univ.-Prof. Wilhelm Rees, Ass.-Prof. Johann Bair

From New Publications

STANISZ, Piotr, ZAWIŚLAK, Michał, ORDON, Marta (eds.), *Presence of the Cross in Public Spaces*, Experiences of Selected European Countries, Cambridge Scholars Publishing, Newcastle upon Tyne, 2016, 270 pp., ISBN 978-1-4438-9970-3.

WIESHAIDER, Wolfgang, *Stumm vibrierender Mitlaut*, Denkmal und öffentliches Interesse, Allgemein und im Umgang mit Synagogen beidseits der Thaya, Verlag Österreich, Wien, 2016, 431 s., ISBN 978-3-7046-6291-0.

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Folia Theologica et Canonica, Szent István Társulat, Budapest, ISSN 2063-9635,

No. V (2016),

including:

BUSSO, Ariel David, *Las relaciones entre los clérigos y su efecto canónico*, pp. 85–102,

MORÁN BUSTOS, Carlos M., *La reforma del proceso de nulidad del Papa Francisco: el proceso «Brevior» ante el obispo diocesano*, pp. 201–259,

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VADÁSZ, Kinga, *La normativa vigente sobre las asociaciones de fieles en la Iglesia*, pp. 165–185.

Law Briefs, Office of the General Counsel of the US Conference of Catholic Bishops, Washington DC,

March 2017,

April 2017,

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Fifth Circuit Upholds School Board's Practice of Opening Meetings with Student Invocations, pp. 4–5:

„On March 2017, a panel of the Fifth Circuit unanimously upheld as constitutional a public school board's practice of opening its meetings with presentations from students, which often included a prayer. [...] See: *American Humanist Ass'n v. McCarty*, No. 15-11067, 2017 WL 1055571 (5th Cir. Mar. 20, 2017).“

Oxford Journal of Law and Religion, Oxford University Press, Oxford, ISSN 2047-0770, Volume 5, Number 3, October 2016,

including:

HOFFMANN LIBSON, Ayelet, *Grounds for Divorce as Values in Rabbinic Law*, pp. 510–531,

CHARTIER, Gary, *Contracts and Vows*, pp. 482–509.

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