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Famous Canon Law Scholar Mons. Prof. Hugo Schwendenwein from Graz Passed Away



Consociatio Internationalis Studio Iuris Canonici Promovendo, with which the Church Law Society in Prague has been cooperating closely, announced that Prof. DDr. Hugo Schwendenwein passed away on 1st April 2019.

Prof. Schwendenwein was born on 5th November 1926 in Klagenfurt, Carinthia, he studied Catholic theology, secular law and canon law, and was ordained priest in 1954. After his habilitation he was appointed Professor of canon law and taught at the Catholic Theological Faculty of the University of Graz in Styria. Pope John Paul II. appointed him Apostolic protonotary in 1992. For many years he was a member of the Pontifical Council for Legislative Texts and a member of the Austrian Academy of Sciences.

Since the fall of the communist regime in our country Schwendenwein worked closely with representatives of Czech legal science. Already in 1991, he got in touch with our canon law and religion law department at the Faculty of Law of Charles University in Prague and in the following years he invited the then associate professor JUDr. Jiří Rajmund Tretera to give lectures in Graz several times. He also introduced Prof. Tretera to his successor, Prof. Johann Hirsperger, who continued to cooperate with us at the Faculty of Law in Prague.

Prof. Schwendenwein often visited Prague and kept in touch with the then Rector of Charles University and head of the Department of Legal History at the Faculty of Law of the University, Prof. Karel Malý.

Among his rich literary work, following publications must be highlighted: *Das Neue Kirchenrecht* (1983) and *Österreichisches Staatskirchenrecht* (1992).

He published several texts in the Church Law Review, for example, an article entitled *Application of Canon Law Regulation in Area of Austrian State Law* in no. 14–3/1999 and *Self-Reflection of Church Law in Today's Theology Study* in no. 19–2/2001.

Memory of Prof. Heiner Marré from Bochum and Prof. Josef Jurina from Freiburg/Breisgau

On 23rd April 2019, we commemorated the 90th anniversary of birth of the honorary member of the Church Law Society in memoriam, the magistrate emeritus of the Bishopric of Essen, Prof. Heiner Marré (1929–2014) from Bochum. Prof. Marré was the founder of the “Essener Gespräche zum Thema Staat und Kirche” conference, which is held annually in Mülheim an der Ruhr and which we regularly report on in our Newsletter.

With regret we received a message that other participant at Essener Gespräche, Prof. Josef Jurina, passed away on 24th March 2019. He was born in Prague on 15th April 1937. After graduating in law, he first engaged in legal science and then worked in various senior positions at the Archbishop Ordinariate in Freiburg/Breisgau for 29 years, most recently as director of finance department. He was appointed Honorary Professor at the University of Freiburg in 2005.



The photo shows the 49th year of the conference Essener Gespräche (2014). From the right: Professor Heiner Marré, Professor Jiří Rajmund Tretera, Mrs Katrin Marré, Associate Professor Záboj Horák and Professor Josef Jurina.

Professor Norman Doe at a Private Audience with the Patriarch Bartholomew

We were pleased to receive a report on the admission of our Society member Professor Norman Doe of Cardiff to the Ecumenical Patriarch in Constantinople. The following text and photo are taken from Newsletter of The Ecclesiastical Law Society (London, Westminster) No. 4/2019:

On 16 March 2019 Norman Doe had a private meeting in Istanbul with His All Holiness Bartholomew, Ecumenical Patriarch of Constantinople and senior bishop of the worldwide Orthodox Church, to discuss the work of an ecumenical panel of religious leaders, jurists and theologians convened by Mark Hill QC since 2013 and the Panel's Statement of Principles of Christian Law later published at 19 Ecclesiastical Law Journal (2017), pp. 138–155, which was initially drafted by Norman. Patriarch Bartholomew welcomed the Statement as a “means of unity and collaboration” between Christians of different traditions. It is being fed into the work of the World Council of Churches and its Faith and Order Commission, which established a partnership with the Panel at Geneva in 2017. [Norman Doe]



Prof. Doe is fourth from left.

From New Publications

Journals, periodicals

Ecclesiastical Law Journal, Cambridge University Press, Cambridge, ISSN 0956-618X,
Vol. 21 No. 1, January 2019,

including:

ADAM, Will, *Editorial*, pp. 1,

DOE, Norman, *Robert Owen (1820–1902)*, pp. 54–68,

HILL, Mark, *Living Together in Diversity: Strategies from Law and Religion*, pp. 69,

HILL, Mark, *G20 Interfaith Forum*, pp. 70–71.

Communicationes, Pontificium Consilium de Legum Textibus, Città del Vaticano,
Vol. L, No. 2, 2018,

including:

Constitutio Apostolica de Synodo Episcoporum Episcopalis Communio die 15 mensis Septembris 2018, pp. 375–394,

Conventio ad tempus inter Sanctam Sedem et Rem Publicam Popularem Sinarum super episcoporum designatione, pp. 401–404,

Lex n. CCLXXIV de gubernatione Civitatis Vaticanae, pp. 405–422,

Instructio super celebratione Conciliorum Synodaliū et super muneribus Secretariae Generalis Synodi Episcoporum, pp. 441–459.

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