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### 23<sup>rd</sup> International Conference Church and State Brno, September 2017

On 14<sup>th</sup> September 2017 an international conference on religion law, held every year by the Department of Constitutional Law and Political Science of the School of Law of Masaryk University in Brno in cooperation with the Church Law Society, took place at the Masaryk University in Brno.



*Photo Monika Menke*

The topic of this year's conference – **Religion and Healthcare** – is related to publication of a document issued by the Czech Ministry of Health on 13<sup>th</sup> April 2017, titled *Guideline on Spiritual Care in Bedside Medical Facilities of Medical Service Providers*, and regulating activity of healthcare chaplains of religious communities. These chaplains have been providing their service for several years in some Czech hospitals on the basis of agreements between the Czech Bishops' Conference and the Ecumenical Council of Churches in the Czech Republic from 2006 and 2011.



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The conference was opened by JUDr. Kateřina Šimáčková, Ph.D., from the School of Law of Masaryk University in Brno, justice of the Constitutional Court of the Czech Republic and chairman of the local group of the Church Law Society in Brno. The conference was presented by Assoc. Prof. JUDr. Pavel Molek, Ph.D., LL.M. (Católica), from the School of Law of Masaryk University in Brno and the Catholic University of Lisbon. The meeting was greeted by dean of the School of Law of Masaryk University Assoc. Prof. JUDr. Markéta Selucká, Ph.D.

Lectures were presented by

- P. Prof. JUDr. Jiří Rajmund Tretera OP, from the School of Law of Charles University in Prague,
- Assoc. Prof. JUDr. ICLic. Zábaj Horák, Ph.D., LL.M., from the same school,
- P. Assoc. Prof. lic. Damián Němec, dr, OP, from the Sts Cyril and Methodius School of Theology of Palacký University in Olomouc, participant of negotiations with the Ministry of Health representing the Czech Bishops' Conference,
- ThLic. Mgr. Monika Menke, Th.D., from the same school,
- ThDr. Petr Jan Vinš, from the Old Catholic Church, general secretary of the Ecumenical Council of Churches in the Czech Republic,

- JUDr. Michael Kučera, member of the Legislative and Legal Committee of the assembly of the Czechoslovak Hussite Church, who presented basic ideas of a lecture of his absent wife ThMgr. MUDr. Šárka Kučerová Cihelková,
- Prof. Dr. Wolfgang Wieshaider, from the School of Law of the University of Vienna (from this year also the visiting professor of the School of Law of Charles University in Prague),
- Mgr. Martin Gregor, from the School of Law of Comenius University in Bratislava,
- P. PhDr. Jiří Tomáš Bahounek OP, Catholic priest and philosopher from Brno and
- Mgr. Alžběta Nemeškalová Rosinová from the School of Law of Masaryk University in Brno.

The conference was attended by about 30 participants from the Czech lands as well as foreign countries. Mgr. Bc. Jaroslav Benák, Ph.D., from the Department of Constitutional Law and Political Science of the School of Law of Masaryk University in Brno with members of his team contributed significantly to organization of the conference.

*Jiří Rajmund Tretera*

## Congratulations



On 18<sup>th</sup> September 2017 the secretary of the Church Law Society and editor of the Church Law Review Mr. Adam Csukás defended his diploma thesis at the School of Law of Charles University in Prague on *The Principles of Synodical-Presbyterial Church Government* and passed the final state examination, successfully completing his master's degree. At the same time, he began his Ph.D. studies in the field of church law and legal history at the Department of Legal History of the same school.

*Photo Antonín Krč*

## From New Publications

BABIE, Paul, SAVIĆ, Vanja-Ivan (eds.), *Law, Religion and Love, Seeking Ecumenical Justice for the Other*, Routledge, London–New York, 2018, 314 pp., ISBN 9781138684560.

BIELEFELD, Johannes, BROCH, Thomas, STÄPS, Heinz-Detlef (eds.), *Eine.Welt.Kirche, 50 Jahre weltkirchliche Solidarität in der Diözese Rottenburg-Stuttgart*, Schwabenverlag, Ostfildern, 498 pp., ISBN 978-3-7966-1744-7.

HILL, Mark, HELMHOLZ, Richard H., *Great Christian Jurists in English History*, Cambridge University Press, Cambridge, 2017, xxii, 353 pp., ISBN 9781107190559.

WOLF, Hubert, WEHLING, Hans-Georg, WEBER, Reinhold (eds.), *Staat und Kirche seit der Reformation*, Landeszentrale für politische Bildung Baden-Württemberg, Stuttgart, 2017, 341 pp., ISBN 978-3-945414-33-0.

## Journals

**The Jurist**, Studies in Church Law and Ministry, The Catholic University of America, The School of Canon Law, Washington, D. C., ISSN 0022-6858, 76 (2016): 2,

including:

BAUER, Nancy, *Vultum Dei Quaerere*, New Norms for Nuns, pp. 379–414,

BRANDMÜLLER, Walter, *Renuntiatio Papae*, Some Historical-Canonical Reflexions, pp. 311–325,

GREGORY, Wilton D., *Liturgical Preaching in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century*, pp. 361–377,

KIMES, John Paul, *Anglicanorum Coetibus and CCEO Canon 35*, pp. 581–594,

SHERIDAN, Sean O., *To Seek the Face of God*, The Cloister and Renewal of Women's Contemplative Monasteries, pp. 415–446.

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