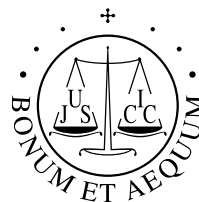


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Remembering the Fifth Prague Dialogues on Church and State Relations (June 2024).
On the right Félix Wendpanga Ouedraogo from Burkina Faso.

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Echoes from the 5th Prague Dialogues on Church and State Relations: a new collaboration between Prague and Vienna

The extremely successful international conference, the 5th Prague Dialogues on Church and State Relations, which was held in Charles University's Faculty of Law from 11th till 16th June 2024 and which we informed you about on the pages of the Church Reporter no. 6/2024, had one more special, pleasant dimension. And that was the participation of a delegation of teachers and students from Vienna University.

A while before the start of the conference, Professor Andreas Kowatsch, the head of the Department of Church and Religion Law in the Faculty of Catholic Theology at Vienna University, contacted the organisers in Prague to ask whether the students attending his scientific seminar in Vienna could also take part in the conference, saying that the topic of the conference was of interest to them and that they would like to make contact with students from Prague's Faculty of Law and other conference participants. The organisers in Prague thought this a great idea and enthusiastically agreed.

Three teachers from the Department of Church and Religion Law, two of whom gave papers at the conference, came to Prague from Vienna. The head of the department, Prof. Andreas Kowatsch, spoke on the topic of *Pastoral care in public hospitals and care facilities in Austria*. Dr Harald Tripp, General of the Spiritual Ministry of the Austrian Army, who is an external co-worker at the department, spoke on the topic of *Pastoral care to the Austrian Armed Forces – assessment of the current situation and perspectives with regard to religion law*. The student group was led by Dr Daniel Tibi, a close colleague of Prof. Kowatsch and the author of many treatises in the field of canon law.

A regular representative from Austria at all events organised by the Church Law Society and Prague's Faculty of Law was Prof. Wolfgang Wieshaider from Vienna University's Faculty of Law, who is a visiting professor at the Department of Legal History in Charles University's Faculty of Law and who gave a lecture on *Religious care from a fundamental rights perspective*.

Eleven Master's and PhD students came from Vienna. Each of them found their own place to stay, usually in accommodation facilities in male and female monasteries (the Strahov Premonstratensians, the Benedictine women's monastery at Bílá Hora and others).

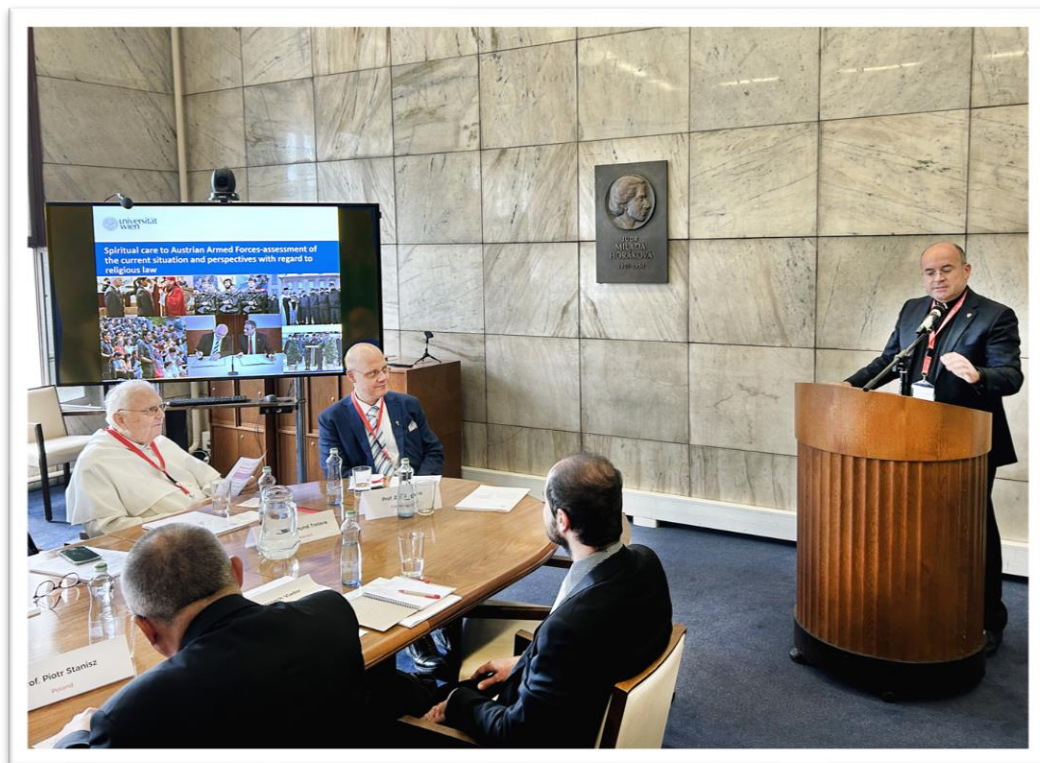
When reading the surnames of the guests from Vienna, you will encounter far more than just German names and surnames. When we first met Professor Kowatsch four years ago at the Essen Dialogues on State and Church in Mülheim an der Ruhr, he himself pointed out that his surname is Hungarian and means Schmied in German.

One of the students from Vienna had the surname Hlavka, which would make every Czech person think of the famous Czech architect, builder and patron Josef Hlávka (1831–1908), who built many beautiful palaces on Vienna's Ringstrasse.

A star among the students was the young PhD student and priest Félix Wendpanga Ouedraogo from Burkina Faso, who was responsible for the visual documentation of their stay in Prague. Another, also very likeable student, came from the Philippines.



Prof. Andreas Kowatsch giving a lecture in Prague.



Dr Harald Tripp, General of the Spiritual Ministry, during his lecture.



Prof. Wolfgang Wieshaider during his lecture in Prague.



Prof. Andreas Kowatsch in discussion in the full conference hall.

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Summer at the Skalička Residence in Mšeno. Bc. František Kratochvíl, the director of the Stříbro Primary Art School, and Prof. Jiří Rajmund Tretera sitting in the glass summerhouse.

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