

Protestantism and Participation

taking responsibility - giving hope - being visible

Sibiu/Romania, 12.-15. April 2023

Program

12th April 2023 | Wednesday

16:00 Welcome and
Introduction - Evangelische
Akademie
18:00 Keynote: Protestantism
and Participation
PD Dr. Christine Schliesser
19:30 Dinner

13th April 2023 | Thursday

07:30 Breakfast
08:45 Morning Prayer
09:00 Country reports I
10:30 Coffee break
11:00 Country reports II and
conclusions
12:30 Lunch
14:00 Working on Outputs
15:30 Coffee break
16:00 Field trip
Sibiu – young since 1191 –
eat, pray, live!
19:00 Evening prayer
Main church
19:30 Dinner

14th April 2023 | Friday

07:30 Breakfast
08:45 Morning Prayer
09:00 Working on Outputs
10:30 Exploratory stage:
Creative Outputs
11:00 Working on the Outputs
12:30 Lunch
14:00 Working on Outputs
15:30 Coffee break
16:00 First draft of the Outputs
17:00 Meet'n'greet'n'speak
Presentation of the Outputs,
Feedback and discussion
Orthodox service at Good Friday
19:30 Dinner

15th April 2023 | Saturday

07:00 Breakfast
08:45 Morning Prayer
09:00 Finalizing Outputs
10:00 Presentation of the final
Outputs
10:30 Coffee break
11:00 Conclusion
11:30 Evaluation of Conference
12:30 Journey Blessing

Application

Application form on
www.young-theology.eu



**Application is possible
until March 15th 2023.**

Once the application process
is closed, letters of acceptan-
ce will be sent to successful
applicants.

Accommodation and Travel costs

Accommodation will be in sin-
gle rooms at the Evangelische
Akademie in Sibiu.
Travel costs will be reimbursed
upon request.

Conference Fee

A conference fee of 50€ has
to be paid before the start of
the conference.

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Conference

At this conference, we want to discuss where Protestant influences manifest themselves in our European societies and where Protestantism becomes visible. We will examine these issues with reference to a range of religious-sociological and ecclesiological approaches. At the same time, we shall also consider the point at which Protestantism can and should assume responsibility and what rays of hope it can offer to society. The conference thus aims to reveal the binding points of Protestantism in Europe. The conference is aimed especially at young theologians between the age of 25 and 35 from European countries, e.g. ministers, deacons, religious teachers, students of theology near their exam or in the qualification phase and pastors in training.

Project

The conference is part of the “Forum Young Theology in Europe” that consists in conferences and online lectures (recordings of the lectures and accounts of the 2022 conference in Vienna can be found on www.young-theology.eu). The aim of the project is to deepen the understanding of the challenges European protestantism faces in different countries within a network of young theologians and to produce specific outputs for practice in school, parish and civil society debates.

Organizers

The **Evangelischer Bund Hessen (Protestant League Hesse)** promotes theological education and the knowledge of the different Christian denominations as well as ecumenical understanding. The Protestant League is the sponsor of the Denominational Institute (Konfessionskundliche Institut) in Bensheim in southern Hesse.

The **Communion of Protestant Churches in Europe (CPCE)** unites 96 Lutheran, Methodist, Reformed and United Churches from over thirty countries in Europe and South America. The CPCE came into existence because of the Leuenberg Agreement of 1973, which concluded: churches are allowed to be different because they appeal to the Gospel as their common basis.

The **Center of Protestant Theology in Eastern Europe (ZETO)** offers different types of education and training, all characterized by learning in an intercultural diaspora situation: German language courses, Bachelor in Protestant Theology, contact studies, guest vicariates, doctoral studies. Its work creates an interface between church and society.