



Decolonizing in the Ecumenical Network: Approaches, Opportunities and Hazards

18. – 20. June 2024



Missionsakademie Hamburg
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22609 Hamburg

In cooperation with the EMW, the Mission Academy invites you to a theological conference for speakers and contributors from the fields of mission, ecumenism, academic research and civil society on the topic of "Approaches to Decolonising Mission and Church".

The aim is to continue the exchange on topics of decolonisation to overcome the colonial legacy. How can mission and church face the challenges of decolonisation? What different approaches are there in the global ecumenical movement? What challenges does this pose for our own area of action? The conference language is English, translations will be provided if required.

The conference will focus on three topics:

1. How does the decolonisation discourse present itself from the perspective of the Global South?
2. How does the BPoC-community assess decolonisation activities in Europe?
3. How do the mission organisations and churches value the need for change in their actions.

Tuesday, June 18

14:30 Arrival/coming together with coffee

15:00 Welcome and Introduction
Dr. Anupama Hial (ZMÖ)/ Dr. Almut Nothnagle (EMW)

15:30 The need to decolonize
Dr. Peter Cruchley, WCC, Geneva

16:15 Decolonization or De-decolonization? Notes on a debate.
Prof. Ulrich Dehn, Universität of Hamburg

17:00 Break

17:15 The school's involvement in racist relations
Jun.Prof. Nina Simon, Universität Leipzig (online)

17:45 The aim of the postcolonial network at the Faculty of Theology Hamburg
Sarah Ntondele, Uni-Hamburg

18:15 Plenary

18:30 Dinner

19:30 Social gathering (optional)

Wednesday, June 19

9:00 Morning Devotion
Scholarship holders, MA

9:30 Decolonizing mission from Indian perspective

Dr. Peniel Rajkumar, United Society Partners in the Gospel, Director of Global Mission London

10:15 Decolonizing ethnic conflicts from African perspective

Dr. Pascal Batarynya, Presbyterian Church, Ruanda

11:00 Break

11:30 Misleading theologies as a result of a deformity of decolonizing

Dr. John Ngige, Theological Department AACC, Nairobi

12:15 Plenary

12:30 Lunch

14:00 On the European illusion of freeing itself from colonialism

Prof. David Simo, University Yaunde

14:45 Current trends in decolonizing theology from a feminist perspective

Dr. Alena Höfer, Universität Bochum

15:30 Coffee break

16:00 Different thematic workshops:

- How to decolonize theology?

- How can restitutive justice in the field of reparations be implemented?
- Racism and ethnic tensions as challenge for churches

17:30 Plenary

18:30 Dinner

19:30 Social gathering - drinks and debate

Thursday, June 20

9:00 Morning prayers

Overcoming racism/ colonialism in partnership work – conclusions from the perspective of two mission organizations:

9:15 *Dr. Emanuel Kileo, ELM Hermannsburg*

9:45 *Magdalena Zimmermann, Mission 21, Basel (online)*

10:30 Working groups (next steps, where do we move?)

11:00 Coffee break

11:30 Final plenary (outcome)

Conference observers Prof. Ulrich Dehn/ Prof. Erna Zonne-Gätjens

12:30 Lunch and departure

Location:

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Registration until June, 7, 2024

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I transfer the conference fee including accommodation and all meals of

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without accommodation:

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