

This 3rd International Online Conference on the Future of Ecumenical Partnerships seeks to examine and develop the familiar model of "conviviality" for today's understanding of partnership.

To what extent do we understand our partnerships as living, learning, sharing and acting together, and how do we ensure that celebrating together is not neglected?

Often the goal of partnership is described as ecumenical or global learning. But what do we actually mean by "learning" in an intercultural environment? Who should learn what from whom? What are the contents of learning and which methods are suitable for it?

What have we already learned from each other, where do we want to start anew. How can we see the world with different eyes? What resistance must be overcome in partnership work so that joint action can follow from learning? And what role does celebrating together play in our partnerships?

The online format allows for the participation of different groups from the contexts of Germany, Africa and Asia. There will be enough space for mutual exchange about high and low points in the partnership work and how we want to revive the spirit of "Konvivenz" for the Ecumenical Movement. We look forward to your participation.

The conference language will be English throughout. All times are in CET (Geneva time).

Wednesday, 1th of March 2023

8:30 Welcome

Verena Berndt, Secretary for Partnerships (ELM)/ Dodzi Agbali, Secretary Ecumenical Cooperation Malawi (ELM)

8:45 Morning Prayer

Maraike Bangun, Doctoral Scholarship Holder (MA).

9:00 Introduction to the Conference

Rev. Dr. Anton Knuth, Head of Studies (MA)

9:15 Revisiting the concept of "Konvivenz" *Rev. Anna-Katharina Diehl, Ev.-Luth. Church Hannover*

9:30 What does it mean to live together in partnership? *Astha Shrestha, Partnership Manager, HDCS-Nepal*

9:45 Breakout Groups 1

Joy and pain of partnership - dialogue in a safe space

10:30 Break

10:45 Plenary and sum up of the discussions

11:15 Wrapping up of the day, Blessings

Thursday, 2nd of March 2023

8:30 Welcome

Verena Berndt (ELM)/ Dodzi Agbali (ELM)

8:45 Morning Prayer

Rev. Kirsten Wolandt, Head of Studies (MA)

9:00 Ecumenical Learning in a frame of World Christianity. *Rev. Dr. Benjamin Simon, Ecumenical Theological Education Desk (WCC)*

9:30 How to overcome Obstacles in Ecumenical Learning. *Dodzi Agbali (ELM)*

9:45 Breakout Groups 2

What have I learned or unlearned?
Are we more giving or receiving?

10:30 Break

10:45 Sharing from Breakout Groups in Plenum

11:15 Wrapping up from day 2

11:30 Blessings and fare well

Friday, 3rd of March 2023

8:30 Welcome

Verena Berndt (ELM)/ Dodzi Agbali (ELM)

8:45 Morning Prayer

Rev. Dr. Brighton Katabaro, Head of Studies (MA)

9:00 How to overcome dependency by acting and celebrating together?

Rev. Dr. Dyah Krismawati, Executive Asia Secretary (UEM)

9:45 Breakout Groups 3:

My vision of Partnership. Invitation for courageous and out of the box dialogue.

10:30 Break

10:45 Final sharing on major outcomes for the future work

11:15 Resumé and follow up

11:30 Closing Celebration

Registration until 22th of February 2023
per E-Mail: info@missionsakademie.de

There is no registration fee applying.

The link will be sent to you briefly before the conference.

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What is at the heartbeat of Ecumenical Partnerships?

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