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CREATION SPIRITUALITIES IN DIALOGUE

**Intercontinental Perspectives
for Integral Ecology**

A unique tricontinental online conference connecting Africa, Latin America and Europe. Join us in exploring biblical foundations, intercultural voices and community praxis for our common home.



INTERCONTINENTAL ONLINE CONFERENCE
October 29–30, 2026



2 pm – 7 pm
(German time)

3 pm – 8 pm
(Rwandan time)

9 am – 2 pm
(Bolivian time)



Diverse Contexts



Biblical & Theological
Foundations



Intercultural &
Indigenous Voices



Pastoral &
Community Praxis

CONFERENCE SCHEDULE: DAY 1

October 29, 2026 | Chair/Moderator: Prof. Dr. Hans-Georg Gradl

German Time / Rwandan Time / Bolivian Time	
2 pm / 3 pm / 9 am	Welcome: Prof. Dr. Walter A. Euler, Prof. Olu Ojedokun, Prof. Dr. Manuel Hurtado SJ, Dr. Théogène Hashakimana
2:15 pm / 3:15 pm / 9:15 am	PART A: Introduction in Different Contexts ▪ African perspective: “Indigenous Rwandan and Christian Understandings of Creation” (Prof. Dr. Lucien Hakizimana) ▪ Latin American perspective: “Creation Spiritualities and Integral Ecology in Latin America: Context, Resources, Indigenous Voices and Horizons of Praxis” (Prof. Dr. Nicanor Sarmiento) ▪ European perspective: “Creation Spirituality and Sustainable Development in Europe” (Prof. Dr. Patrik C. Höring)
3 pm / 4 pm / 10 am	PART B: Foundations: Biblical and Theological Grounding for Creation Spirituality ▪ Latin American paper: “Latin American Creation Spiritualities: A Dialogue Between Indigenous and Biblical Traditions” (Prof. Dr. Eileen FitzGerald ACI and M.A. Michael Franz) ▪ European paper: “Beyond Human Agency: Rethinking Biblical Hermeneutics in Europe Ecologically” (Prof. Dr. Carolin Neuber) ▪ African paper: “Biblical Foundations of Environmental Stewardship: Theological Reflections and Institutional Practice at the Protestant University of Rwanda (PUR)” (Prof. Dr. Viateur Habarurema)
4 pm / 5 pm / 11 am	Exchange in Breakout Sessions
4:45 pm / 5:45 pm / 11:45 am	Break
5:15 pm / 6:15 pm / 12:15 pm	PART C: Intercultural and Indigenous Voices: Amerindian and African Perspectives; Eco-Theology Is Linked to and Has an Impact on Cultures ▪ European paper: “Encountering Earth: A Creation-Centered Spirituality of Communion” (Dr. Dennis Halft, OP) ▪ African paper: “The Sacredness of Nature in African Indigenous Spiritualities: Toward a Culturally Rooted Eco-Theology” (Rev. Dr. Laurent Ntaganda) ▪ Latin American paper: “Sacred Relationships: Amerindian Onto-Epistemologies and Ecotheology” (Prof. Dr. Cecilia Titizano)
6:15 pm / 7:15 pm / 1:15 pm	Exchange in Breakout Sessions
6:45 pm / 7:45 pm / 1:45 pm	End of the First Day

CONFERENCE SCHEDULE: DAY 2

October 30, 2026 | Chair/Moderator: Dr. Aimable Sibomana

German Time / Rwandan Time / Bolivian Time	
2 pm / 3 pm / 9 am	Presentation of Results from Previous Breakout Sessions
3 pm / 4 pm / 10 am	PART D: Praxis: Pastoral, Educational, and Community Action. Aspect of Memory: Education and Prevention • African paper: "Ritual Landscapes and the Ecology of Collective Memory in Rwanda: Reimagining a Cultural Paradigm of Environmental Protection" (Prof. Dr. Celestin Nsengimana) • European paper: "Reverence for Life" (Prof. Dr. mult. Klaus Vellguth) • Latin American paper: "From Memory to Prevention: Pastoral, Educational and Community Praxis for Integral Ecology in Latin America" (M.A. Albeiro Rodas)
4 pm / 5 pm / 11 am	Exchange in Breakout Sessions
4:45 pm / 5:45 pm / 11:45 am	Break
5:15 pm / 6:15 pm / 12:15 pm	PART E: Round Table What did I learn from the conference? What questions are still open? • Africa: Rev. Prof. Dr. Lucien Hakizimana / Eraste Rukera • Latin America: Prof. Dr. María Luisa Veizaga / M.A. Camila Villarroel. • Europe: Prof. Dr. Johannes Brantl / Nina Kohlmann Moderator: Prof. Dr. Nicanor Sarmiento
6 pm / 7 pm / 1 pm	Closing Words: Prof. Dr. Manuel Hurtado SJ, Rev. Prof. Dr. Lucien Hakizimana, Prof. Olu Ojedokun, Prof. Dr. Walter A. Euler
6:15 pm / 7:15 pm / 1:15 pm	End of Conference