



2014 INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE BUENOS AIRES



“Jewish-Christian Dialogue: Commitment and Challenges
Latin American and International Experiences and Perspectives.”
August 19 – 21, 2014

PROGRAM

TUESDAY, AUGUST 19, 2014:

- 07.00-07.30** Jewish Morning Prayer
07.00-07.30 Christian Morning Prayer
07.00-09.00 Registration at Abasto Hotel
09.30 Transfer to the Palacio San Martin

10.30 Opening Session

- Moderator: Prof. Graciela Nadel de Jinich
Greetings: Ambassador Mr Guillermo Oliveri (Secretary of Religious Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Argentina);
Rabbi Abraham Skorka (Chair of the Conference Planning Committee);
Fr Fernando Giannetti (Secretary of the Argentinian Bishops Conference);
Bishop Frank de Nully Brown (Bishop of the Methodist Church);
Ms Martha de Antueno (CAJC President)
Introduction: Dr Deborah Weissman (ICCJ President)
Jewish-Christian Dialogue: Commitment and Challenges; Latin American and International Experiences and Perspectives

- 11.30** Discussion: Expectations and Challenges

- 12.15** Lunch at Palacio San Martin

- 13.00** Transfer to Abasto Hotel

14.00 Plenary Session (Main Hall, Simultaneous Translation English/Spanish)

- Moderator: Prof. Philip A. Cunningham
14.00 Meditative Moment: Rabbi Ehud Bandel
14.15 Introduction: Mr Claudio Epelman
**Interfaith Pilgrimage of Argentinian Religious Leaders /
Peregrinación interreligiosa de autoridades religiosas argentinas**
14.30 Key Note Speaker: Rabbi Abraham Skorka
**50 Years of Interreligious Dialogue in Latin America /
50 años de diálogo interreligioso en América Latina**
14.55 First Respondent: Dr Norberto Padilla
15.05 Second Respondent: Prof. Heidi Hadsell

15.15 Buzz Groups

15.30 Coffee Break

16.00 Workshops Session A - Theme: History

Workshop A1 (Main Hall, Simultaneous Translation English/Spanish)

Theme: **Jews and Christians; God's People in Liberation Theologies /
Judíos y cristianos: el Pueblo de Dios en las teologías de la liberación**

Presenters: Dr Roberto Bosca;
Rabbi Alejandro Avruj;
Deacon Mercedes Míguez

Moderator: Dr Michael Trainor

Workshop A2 (Spanish)

Theme: **¿Es antisemita el Nuevo Testamento? Lectura conjunta de textos judíos y cristianos**
[Is the New Testament Antisemitic? Reading Together Jewish and Christian Texts]

Presenter: Pastor Dr Pablo Andiñach

Moderator: Rabbi Graciela Grynberg

Workshop A3 (Spanish)

Theme: **Conocer y re-conocer a Dios a través del diálogo interreligioso**
["Cognize and Re-cognize" God Through Interfaith Dialogue]

Presenter: Rabbi Shmuel Sztainhendler

Moderator: Fr Fernando Giannetti

Workshop A4 (English)

Theme: **The Limits of History and Identity: Challenges and Opportunities for Interfaith Dialogue**

Presenter: Dr Steve Innes

Moderator: Revd David Gifford

Workshop A5 (English)

Theme: **Antisemitism and Islamophobia**

Presenters: Members of the ICCJ International Abrahamic Forum [IAF]

- Prof. Reuven Firestone;
- Dr Mustafa Baig;
- Prof. Heidi Hadsell

Moderator: Rabbi Ehud Bandel

17.30 Break

19.00 Dinner at Abasto Hotel

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 20, 2014:

- 07.00-07.30** Jewish Morning Prayer
07.00-07.30 Christian Morning Prayer
08.00-08.30 Registration Day Guests at Abasto Hotel

09.00 Plenary Session (Main Hall, Simultaneous Translation English/Spanish)

- Moderator: Dr Deborah Weissman
- 09.00** Meditative Moment: Revd Dick Pruiksmá
- 09.15** Key Note Speaker: Prof. John Pawlikowski
**Jewish-Christian Dialogue: Achievements and Challenges /
 Diálogo judeo-cristiano: logros y desafíos**
- 09.40** First Respondent: Rabbi Michel Schlesinger
- 09.50** Second Respondent: Prof. Pastor Néstor Miguez
- 10.00** Buzz Groups
- 10.15** Questions
- 10.30** Coffee Break

11.00 Workshops Session B – Theme: Theology**Workshop B1 (Main Hall, Simultaneous Translation English/Spanish)**

- Theme: **Jewish-Christian Dialogue: Achievements and Challenges; The Discussion Continues ... /
 Diálogo judeo-cristiano: logros y desafíos. La discusión continúa ...**
- Presenters: Mons. Víctor Manuel Fernández;
 Prof. Ruth Langer;
- Moderator: Rabbi Ernesto Yattah

Workshop B2 (Spanish)

- Theme: **¿Para qué dialogar, si cada uno de nosotros cree en la verdad plena de su fe religiosa? - La propuesta de la “teología profunda” de A.J.Heschel**
[Why Should we Dialogue if Each of us Believes in the Absolute Truth of his own Faith? The Proposal of A.J.Heschel’s “Deep Theology”]
- Presenter: Dr Daniel Fainstein
- Moderator: Pastor Armín Ihle

Workshop B3 (Spanish)

- Theme: **Conquistas y desafíos en el diálogo interreligioso**
[Achievements and Challenges in Interfaith Dialogue]
- Presenter: Rabbi Michel Schlesinger
- Moderator: Pastor Felipe Adolf

Workshop B4 (English)

- Theme: **Liberation Theology**
- Presenter: Dr Peter Admirand
- Moderator: Revd Dick Pruiksmá

Workshop B5 (English)

Theme: **Pressing Theological Issues in Christian-Jewish Relations**
 Presenters: Prof. Philip A. Cunningham
 Moderator: Dr Michael Trainor

12.30 Lunch

14.00 Busses leave for Outings in Buenos Aires

Outing 1 (Spanish): Visit to the Colon Theatre
 Outing 2 (English): Visit to the Colon Theatre
 Outing 3 (English/Spanish): Visit to the Shoá Museum
 Outing 4 (English/Spanish): Buenos Aires City Tour
 Outing 5 (English/Spanish): Historic Places of Worship in Buenos Aires: Catholic and Protestant Churches and the Libertad Synagogue

18.00 Meeting at the AMIA, Commemorating the Victims of the 1994 Attack

19.00 Evening free; no transfer by bus to the Abasto Hotel

THURSDAY, AUGUST 21, 2014:

07.00-07.30 Jewish Morning Prayer

07.00-07.30 Christian Morning Prayer

08.00-08.30 Registration Day Guests at Abasto Hotel

09.00 Plenary Session (Main Hall, Simultaneous Translation English/Spanish)

Moderator: Revd Dick Pruikisma

09.00 Meditative Moment: Members of the ICCJ Young Leadership Council [YLC]

09.15 Key Note Speaker: Rabbi Felipe Yafé
**Textual Interpretation and Religious Identity /
 Interpretación textual e identidad religiosa**

09.40 First Respondent: Ms Liliane Apotheker

09.50 Second Respondent: Prof. Philip A. Cunningham

10.00 Buzz Groups

10.15 Questions

10.30 Coffee Break

11.00 Workshops Session C – Theme: Identity**Workshop C1 (Main Hall, Simultaneous Translation English/Spanish)**

Theme: **Experiencing and Transforming Identity in Dialogue /
 Experimentando y transformando la identidad en diálogo**

Presenters: Prof. Ursula Rudnick;
 Lic. Maria Laura Vargas Valcarcel

Moderator: Lic. Daniel Levin

Workshop C2 (Spanish)

Theme: **El desafío de afirmar la propia identidad celebrando las diferencias**
[The challenge of affirm the own identity celebrating the differences]
 Presenter: Rabbi Sergio Bergman
 Moderator: Pastor Karin Krug

Workshop C3 (English)

Theme: **A Talmudic Textstudy**
 Presenter: Dr Deborah Weissman
 Moderator: Prof. Celia Deutsch

Workshop C4 (English)

Theme: **Identities in Process – Young Perspectives**
 Presenters: Members of ICCJ Young Leadership Council [YLC]
 Moderator: Ms Rebecca Brückner

Workshop C5 (English)

Theme: **An Informal Meeting with Members of the International Abrahamic Forum [IAF]**
 Presenters: Members of ICCJ International Abrahamic Forum [IAF]
 Moderator: Prof. Reuven Firestone

12.30 Lunch

15.00 Concluding Session (Main Hall, Simultaneous Translation English/Spanish)

Moderator: Rabbi Joni Shalom
 Concluding Remarks: Dr Mustafa Baig;
 Mons. Carlos H. Malfa;
 Rabbi Abraham Skorka;
 Dr Deborah Weissman

Discussion

16.30 Free time;
 AGM of the “Association of Friends & Sponsors of the Martin Buber House”

19.30 Busses leave for venue of the festive dinner

20.00 Festive Dinner

22.00 Transfer by bus to the Abasto Hotel