Call for Papers

CTSA Convention, Cleveland, Ohio
June 11–14, 2020

Interest group: Schillebeeckx for a new generation and new contexts

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Session description: Sacramentum mundi: Schillebeeckx and global catholicism

Edward Schillebeeckx’s sacramental theology has been of influence on the development of the idea of the church as sacrament of the world. For Schillebeeckx, sacramentum mundi offered church and theology the opportunity to view social and cultural changes in a positive light. He saw secularization, democratization, and religious pluralism as new chances for encountering salvation in the world, of which the church could become sign and instrument. One could wonder however whether he would have seen similar opportunities in the more recent developments of globalization, economic liberalism, populism, and economic migration as a result of climate change. Which insights do his hermeneutics, theological anthropology, and ecclesiology provide that could support a contemporary theology of culture that is critical yet not countercultural. How can the church be a sacrament of a world in which money, work and power are disproportionally distributed?

Topics could include:
- Church and democracy
- Catholicity and globalisation
- The sacramentality of work
- Economics and anthropology
- Economics, hermeneutics, and critical theory
- Economics and ecclesiology
- Economics and intercultural theology

INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN YOUR PROPOSAL:

- Your paper proposal should be not more than 250 words.
- You should also include a 100-words précis that will be posted on the CTSA website should your paper be accepted.
- Please provide the name and institution of all participants (convener, moderator, presenters), and contact information, including e-mail.
- Indicate whether you will be requiring A/V equipment.

ELIGIBILITY FOR SUBMITTING PAPER PROPOSALS

- CTSA guidelines require that those making proposals ordinarily be associate or full members in good standing with their dues paid up. Anyone with an associate or full membership application on file can also submit a proposal if they expect to be accepted for membership in the upcoming June convention.
• No member may present a paper/respond to a paper/participate on a panel more than once at a given convention. An exception is made for members of under-represented groups. Presentations made to the Women’s Consultation on Constructive Theology are included in this rubric.

• Members may not have a speaking role more than two consecutive years in any three-year period.

Deadline: September 1, 2019. Please submit your proposal to: stephan.vanerp@kuleuven.be
You will be notified by e-mail whether your paper has been accepted by September 14, 2019.