Theo-Politics? Conversing with Barth in Western and Asian Contexts
Second Symposium, March, 13-16 2014, Bochum

**Thu:**

Arrival until 7.00 p.m.

from 7.00 p.m.: Dinner and informal discussions

**Fri:**

9.00-9.30 a.m.: Welcome and introduction

9.30-10.45 a.m.: Stephen Lakkis, Public Theology, Taipei: Barth, Democracy and the Church in Taiwanese Public Life

Response: Grace Kao, Ethics, Claremont

10.45-11.15 a.m.: Break

11.15 a.m. -12.30 a.m.: Kin Yip Louie, Systematic Theology, Hong Kong: Religion, Politics and Democracy in Hong Kong: Historical and Systematic Perspectives

Response: Hanna Reichel, Systematic Theology, Halle

1.00 pm: Lunch

2.00-3.00 p.m.: Chin Ken Pa, Religious Studies, Chung-Li City: Sino Theology as Public Theology: The Reception of Karl Barth’s Theology and it signification in the Chinese Context

3.00-3.30 p.m.: Break

3.30-4.45 p.m.: Daniel Lee, Systematic Theology, Hong Kong: Barth and Political Theology: An assessment from a Hong Kong Context

Response: Heike Springhart, Systematic Theology, Heidelberg
4.45-5.15 p.m.: Break

5.15-6.15 p.m.: Lai Pan Chiu, Systematic Theology, Hong Kong: Religious Diversity, Democracy, and Public Theology: Conversing with Barth in Hong Kong Context

6.15-7.15 p.m.: Volker Küster, Intercultural Theology, Mainz: Protestantism in a Global Context – Insights from Intercultural Theology (solicited)

7.30 p.m.: Dinner and informal discussions

Sat:

9.00-10.15 a.m.: Xutong Qu, Systematic Theology, Peking: Entanglements with the Political Theology of Karl Barth. A Case study of Church-State Relationship in Mainland China
Response: Kristopher Norris, Systematic Theology, Charlottesville

10.15-10.30 a.m.: Break

10.30-11.45 a.m.: Martin Wendte, Systematic Theology, Tübingen: Barth’s ‘Kingship of Christ’ or Luther’s ‘Two Regimes’? Historical and Systematic Reflections on Political Ethics in a Pluralistic Society
Response: Paul Dafydd Jones, Systematic Theology, Charlottesville

11.45-12.00 a.m.: Break

12.00 a.m.-1.00 p.m.: Gerd Pickel, Sociology, Leipzig: Religion and Politics in Germany: Perspectives from Sociology

1.00 p.m.: Lunch
2.00-3.15 p.m.: Alexander Maßmann, Systematic Theology, Heidelberg: Karl Barth and the Righteousness of God. The Attributes of God in Political Context
Response: Angela Dienhart Hancock, Homiletics and Worship, Pittsburgh

3.00-3.15 p.m.: Break

Response: Clifford B. Anderson, Systematic Theology, Princeton

4.30-5.00 p.m.: Break

5.00-6.00 p.m.: Kim-Kwong Chan, Sociology, Hong Kong: Religion and Politics in Hong Kong and Mainland China: A Perspective from Sociology

6.00-7.00 p.m.: Michael Welker, Systematic Theology, Heidelberg: Christianity and Democracy: An systematic-theological Assessment

8 p.m.: Dinner in a Bochum restaurant

**Sun:**

9.00-10.00 a.m.: Concluding Discussion

10.00-10.30 a.m.: Planning for the next conference

Departure