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## THE AIM OF THE REVACERN

The aim of REVACERN Religions And Values: Central And Eastern European Research Network is to provide a framework for a multidisciplinary research on the future of relations between institutions, culture and politics in the field of values and religions.

The research topics are:

- Mutual interaction between the roles of values in religious institutions and the society, Intersection of changing value system,
- Media and religion,
- National identity in multiethnic European subregions,
- The cohesion of the EU-enlargement versus nationalism, fundamentalism.

The network aims at a comparative perspective of legal, political, cultural aspects of religious institutions, their role in the society.

The network examines the challenges posed to educational, political and legal systems, and by mapping and restructuring the knowledge, its objective is to find better ways to handle conflicts and referring objectively for the EU, national policy makers and civil society institutions.

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SIXTH FRAMEWORK PROGRAMME

# REVACERN

RELIGIONS AND VALUES:  
CENTRAL AND EASTERN EUROPEAN  
RESEARCH NETWORK

**SZEGED, 24-25 APRIL 2008  
2008 CONFERENCE**

## SCHEDULE

### 24<sup>th</sup> April, Thursday

#### 9:00-10:30 Religions and Values – First results of the Aufbruch 2 survey

- Keynote lectures by Paul M. Zulehner (UV) and Miklós Tomka (PPKE)

#### Coffee break

#### 11:00-12:30 Religions and Values – Aufbruch 2

- Panel discussion

#### Lunch break

#### Workshops and open discussions:

#### 14:00-15:30 Social activities of religious communities and civil organisations (subarea 8)

- Keynote lecture by Gergely Rosta (PPKE)

#### Coffee break

#### 16:00-16:45 The correlations of religious and national-ethnic identity (subarea 10)

- Keynote lecture by Miklós Tomka (PPKE)

#### 16:45-17:30 Values and religions in education (subarea 11)

- Keynote lecture by Gabriella Pusztai (UD)

### 25<sup>th</sup> April, Friday

#### Workshops and open discussions:

#### 9:00-10:30 New religious phenomena and religious renewal (subarea 2,4,6)

- Keynote lectures by Tatiana Podolinská (CU), Mario Marinov (NIS-SU) and Regina Polak (UV)

#### Coffee break

#### 11:00-12:30 Legal status of religious communities (subarea 9,12)

- Keynote lectures by Balázs Schanda (PPKE) and Siniša Zrinščak (IDIZ)

#### Lunch break

#### 14:00-14:15 Religion and media (subarea 5)

- Keynote lectures by Luboš Belka (MU)

#### 14:45-15:30 Orthodoxy in Central and Eastern Europe (subarea 7)

- Keynote lectures by Daniela Kalkandjieva (NIS-SU)

## CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

The second – work in progress – conference of the research network will be held in Szeged, HUNGARY on 24-26 April, 2008. The conference serves three goals:

- A first presentation and debate of the results of Aufbruch 2 research Presentation and debate of thematic plans of REVACERN subarea workshops
- Presentation and debate of the lectures of the First round of the REVACERN Exchange Programme
- According to its original plans, REVACERN wishes to invite the experts dealing with the topics of religions and values in Central and Eastern Europe to a dialogue and present their related knowledge base to the public.

In the forenoon of the first day of the conference, the two leaders of Aufbruch 2, Paul. M. Zulehner (University of Vienna) and Miklós Tomka (Péter Pázmány Catholic University, Budapest) will present the first results of the research. Both lectures will be followed by panel debate, and renowned experts of the field will be asked to be discussants.

In the afternoon and on the second day of the conference, the experts of each subarea will present the topics of the subarea of REVACERN and offer them for debate. The keynote lectures are followed by public debates. At the end of both days, and also following dinner, free discussions may take place in connection with organisational issues of the subareas, only with the participation of the cooperating researchers.

In the forenoon of the third day, REVACERN consortium holds its closed session. In the afternoon, the grantees of the Exchange Program report on their activities during the supported period, each in 20 minutes lectures. The lectures will be followed by debate and evaluation given by several experienced researchers.