

INVITATION TO THE THIRD LECTURE IN THE SERIES "NOSTRA AETATE AND OUR TIME"

Judaism and Orthodox Christianity in the *Nostra-Aetate-Era*

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Thursday, 18 December 2014 at 8:00 P.M.

At the STUDIUM THEOLOGICUM SALESIANUM, Rh Shmuel Hanagid 26

Since the inception of the State of Israel Orthodox Christians showed an active interest in cooperating with the emerging Jewish State. In the wake of the 1964 visit of Ecumenical Patriarch Athenagoras I and Pope Paul VI academic publications followed and colloquia, national and international, where Jewish and Orthodox scholars reflected on similarities and dissimilarities between the two communities. In Orthodox Christianity, such dialogue developed from deep roots like those laid by the Russian Orthodox thinker Valdimir Soloviev (1853-1900) who, in a period of state-supported persecutions of Jews, "portrayed a new unity between the best elements of Orthodoxy, Catholicism, and Protestantism, assisted by the return of millions of Jews to their biblical homeland" (Lowe, Immanuel 26/27, 1994, p. 8).

Having researched ancient and modern relations between Jews and Christians at the State University of Moscow (1999-2002), the Hebrew University Jerusalem (2002-5), and Maison des Sciences de l'Homme, Paris (2005-7), and having published numerous books and articles on that subject (most recently: "Russian Ecclesiastical Mission in Jerusalem During the First World War," JOS 4, 2013), Dr. Zanemonets will lecture about the most recent period following *Nostra Aetate*.

The Ecumenical Theological Research Fraternity in Israel thanks the Studium Theologicum Salesianum for kindly hosting the event.

Please join us for light refreshments from 7.30 P.M.

Yours Fraternally,
Rev. Dr. Petra Heldt
ETRFI General Secretary

The next lecture in the series will be jointly sponsored by the Ecumenical Fraternity and the Goerres - Gesellschaft at the Dormition Abbey, Mount Zion, 22 January, 8:15 P.M. by P. Ralph Greis, OSB.