

## The Ecumenical, Theological, and Interdisciplinary Symposium

2011: Alienation and Authenticity in Environments of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century: Technology, Person and Transcendence

2010: Meaning and Mystery: From the Philosophy of Knowledge to the Theology of Person

2009: Religion and Politics: The Human Society between the Power of God and the Power of Man

2008: Cult and Culture: The Transcendental Roots of Human Civilization

2007: Theology and Literature: The Deification of Imagination and Its Cathartic Function in Spiritual Growth

2006: The Glory of Knowledge: Construction and Deconstruction. When Human Quest Ends in Apophasis

2005: Unity in Diversity: Can We Live Together in an Apocalyptic World?

2004: Globalization from A (Archeology) to S (Spirituality): What Is It and Who Needs It?

2003: Science and Theology: New Challenges and Perspectives

2002: Contemporary Culture in the Light of Christian Spirituality at the Beginning of the Third Millennium. The Secular Realities and Spiritual Perspectives

2001: Prayer as Theology of the Mind and of the Heart for the Humanity in the New Millennium

2000: Humanity in the Third Millennium and the Mystery of the Divine

1999: Jesus Christ as the Theandric Paradigm of Man's Restoration at the Dawn of the Third Millennium

1998: The Theological Legacy of Fr. Dumitru Staniloae and its Ecumenical Actuality

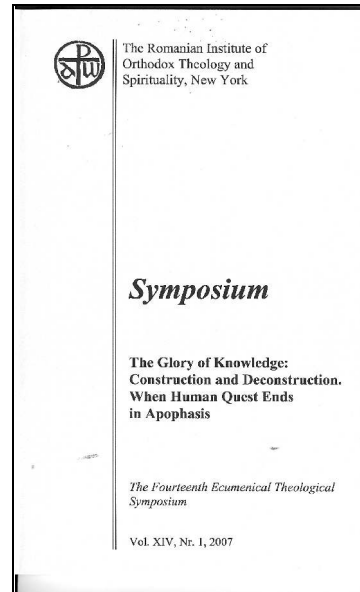
1997: Rediscovering God: The Relation between God and Man and its Significance for our Life Today

1996: Freedom and Responsibility in Contemporary Society

1995: Divine Creation and Human Responsibility in the Context of Contemporary Ecological Preoccupations

1994: Quo Vadis Homo? Salvation and the Modern World

1993: Worship and Identity in our Contemporary Society



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## PROGRAM

### *XXth Ecumenical Theological and Interdisciplinary Symposium*

## Time, Place and Self in Interdisciplinary Narratives

Saturday, December 1st, 2012  
11:00 AM

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431 Canal Street (at Varick Ave.)  
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**11th Floor - Room 11 N**

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**Theodor Damian, PhD**

Professor of Philosophy and Ethics, Metropolitan College of New York; President of the Romanian Institute of Orthodox Theology and Spirituality:  
*The Transcendent Dimension of Place and Time: A Theological Narrative*

**Richard Grallo, PhD**

Professor of Applied Psychology, Metropolitan College of New York:  
*Truth in Perspective: Application of Interrogative Problem Representation*

**Louis Tietje, PhD**

Professor of Ethics, Metropolitan College of New York:  
*The Role of Redemptive Narratives in Dan P. McAdams's Theory of Personality: A Christian Critique*

**Clair McPherson, PhD**

Associate Professor of Ascetical Theology, General Theological Seminary; Professor of Theology, Fordham College Lincoln Center:  
*Poor in Paradise: The Ascetical vision of Nilus of Ancyra in De Voluntaria Paupertate*

**Paul J. LaChance, PhD**

Associate Professor, Philosophy/Theology Department, College of St. Elisabeth, New Jersey:  
*Experience of Self and God: Gestalt and Focusing Interventions in Pastoral Counseling*

**Roland Clark, PhD**

Assistant Professor, History Department, Eastern Connecticut State University:  
*Orthodox Priests and the Legion of the Archangel Michael*

**Steven Cresap, PhD**

Associate Professor of Modern European Intellectual History, Metropolitan College of New York:  
*Frightening Habits: Existential Effects of Extreme Aesthetic Experiences*

**Doru Tsaganea, PhD**

Associate Professor of Mathematics, Metropolitan College of New York:  
*The Concept of Time Associated with Cybernetic Systems*

**Dean Vasil, PhD**

Adjunct Professor of Latin and Philosophy, Independent Scholar:  
*Descendants of Pascal and Dostoievsky: European Critics of Technocracy*

**Catalin Vatamanu, PhD**

Associate Assistant of Old Testament Theology, Faculty of Orthodox Theology, „Alexandru Ioan Cuza” University of Iassy, Romania:  
*The Light of God in the Hebrew and Christian Traditions*

**Ana R. Chelariu, MA, MLS**

Writer, Independent Researcher:  
*The awareness of self from a linguistic perspective: Pro-Indo-European \*séue (acc.) English self; German das Selbst, sich; Romanian m. sine, f. sinea*

**Alina Feld, PhD**

Assistant Professor of Philosophy, Long Island University Global  
*The Self as Temporalized Being: From Heidegger to Levinas*

GUESTS OF HONOR:

**His Eminence Dr. Nicolae Condrea,** Archbishop, The Romanian Orthodox Archdiocese in the Americas

**His Excellency Marian Pârjol**

Consul General of Romania in New York

**Vinton Thompson, PhD**

President of the Metropolitan College of New York

**Ruth Lugo, PhD**

Dean of the Audrey Cohen School for Human Services and Education, Metropolitan College of New York

MODERATOR:

**Humphrey Crookendale, JD**

Dean, School of Management, Metropolitan College of New York

DISCUSSANT:

**Bert Breiner, Ph.D.**

Adjunct Professor of Religion, Hunter College, City University of New York

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