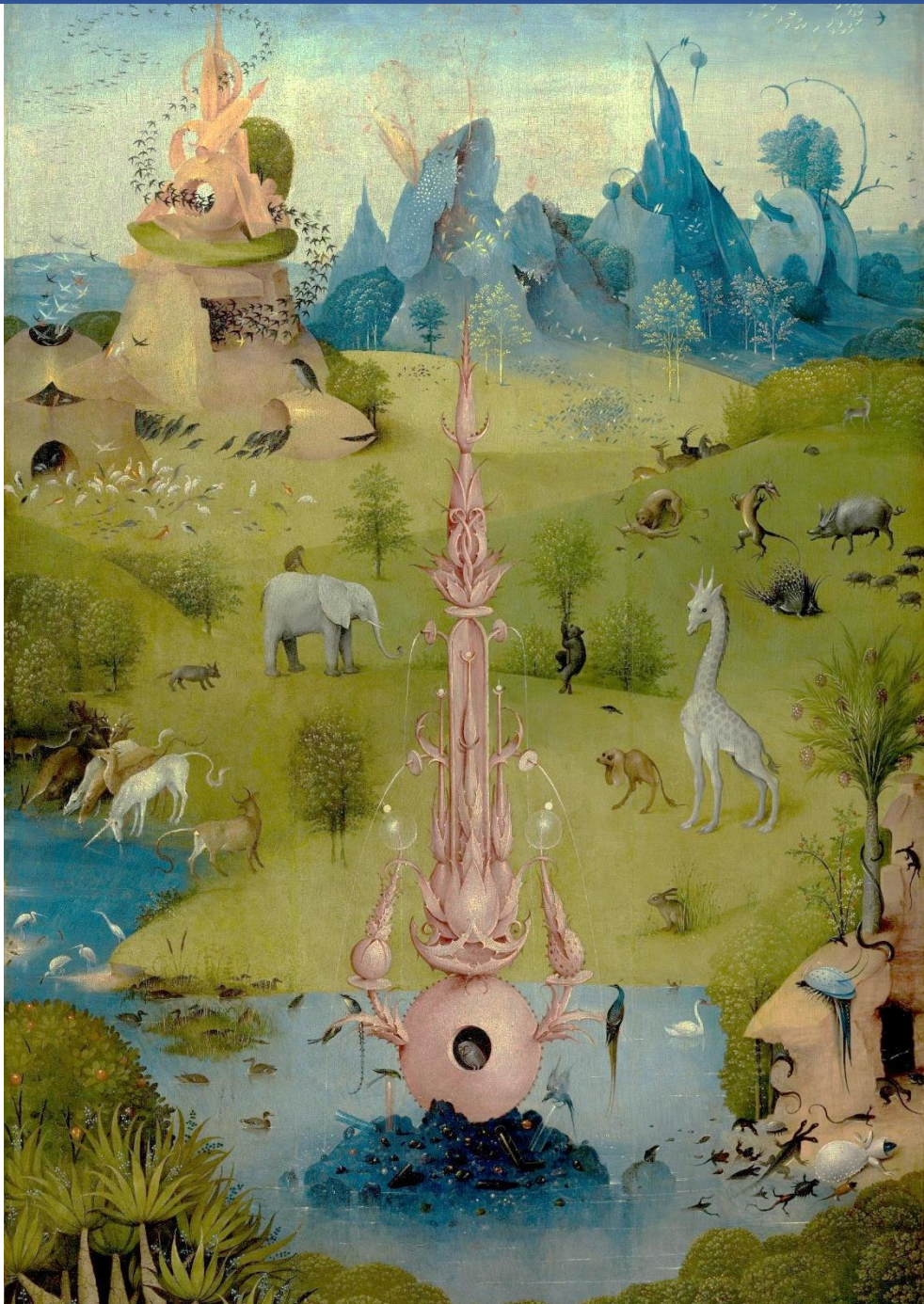


October 21,
2021
11.00 a.m.
(Greek Time)

“The Good Practices of the Orthodox Churches in view of the UNFCCC COP26”



On line-conference program

Organized by the Volos Academy for Theological Studies in cooperation with WWF Greece

11.00-11.05: Opening of the conference-Moderators

Dr. Nikolaos Asproulis, Deputy Director, Volos Academy for Theological Studies, Lecturer, Hellenic Open University

Theodota Nantsou, Head of Policy WWF Greece

11.05-11.20: Welcome Greetings

Margaritis Schinas, Vice-President for Promoting our European Way of Life, European Commission (video)

Archbishop of Athens and All Greece **Hieronimos II**

Metropolitan of Demetrias and Almyros **Ignatios**

Good Practices of the Orthodox Churches around the World: Study cases, problems, challenges

11.20-11.55: Greece

Rev. Dr. Amfilochios Miltos, (Priest-in-Charge at Evangelistria Parish Church, New Ionia - Volos, Greece, pilot parish of the project 'Green Parish and parallel activities' of the Volos Academy for Theological Studies): "Green parish: A journey starts."

Dr. Antonis Kalogerakis, (Head of the Institute of Theology & Ecology-Dept. of the Orthodox Academy of Crete): "The Ethical Duty of Sustainability: Good Practices by the Orthodox Academy of Crete (OAC)."

Sister Theochariti, (Holy Patriarchal and Stavropegic Monastery of Chrysopigi, Chania, Crete), "Orthodox monasticism and sustainability - Holy Patriarchal and Stavropegic Monastery of Chrysopigi."

11.55-12.10: Break

12.10-12.20: Serbia

Kalmar Zvezdan, (Coordinator of a program on climate change, Center for ecology and sustainable development - CEKOR): "The Eucharistic nature of societal change necessary to tackle Climate change."

12.20-12.30: Bulgaria

Ass. Prof. Dr. Kostadin Nushev, (Theological Faculty, University of Sofia): “Environmental education, official positions and good practices related to the climate crisis in the context of the Bulgarian Orthodox Church.”

12.30-12.50: Romania

Dr. Ionut Biliuta, (Researcher 'Gheorghe Sincai' Institute for Social Sciences and the Humanities Romanian Academy): “Un-Orthodox Ecology: Theological and Pastoral Responses to the Ecological Challenge in the Contemporary Romanian Orthodoxy.”

Rev. Cezar Marksteiner-Ungureanu, (priest of the Romanian Orthodox Church in Austria and PhD candidate of the University of Austria): “Ecology in the Orthodox Romanian Church: An (open) challenge?”

12.50-13.00: Ukraine

Rev. Prof. Volodymyr Vakin, (priest of the Autocephalous Orthodox Church in Ukraine and Rector of the Volyn Orthodox Theological Academy): “Ecological initiatives of the Volyn Orthodox Theological Academy of the Orthodox Church of Ukraine.”

13.00-13.15: Break

13.15-13.25: United Kingdom (UK)

Dr. Elizabeth Theokritoff, (Associate Lecturer, Institute of Orthodox Christian Studies in Cambridge): “‘Green’ Christian initiatives in the British Isles - some pointers for the Orthodox.”

13.25-13.35: United States of America (USA)

Rev. Dr. Nicolas Kazarian, (Director, Department of Inter-Orthodox, Ecumenical and Interfaith Relations, Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America and Professor at Saint Serge Orthodox Theological Institute): “Greening the Parish: Answering to the Green Patriarch’s Call.”

Appendix: A survey

13.35-13.45: The Greek public opinion on the climate crisis

Dr. Miltiadis Lazoglou, (Head of Policy, Society for the Environment and Cultural Heritage, Project Manager LIFE IP AdaptInGR): “The beliefs, opinions and knowledge of Greek citizens about the phenomenon of climate change and the need to adapt to the new climate conditions: The case of the Region of Thessaly.”

13.45-14.00: Conclusions-End of Conference



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