

**Theological Consultation  
of the Norddeutsche Mission**

**12<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> June, 2017 in Detmold, Lippe**

**Mission in multi-religious contexts:  
pluralistic theology of religions –  
the end or the beginning of Christian mission?**

**Monday, 12/6/2017**

**10-11 h Arrival**

**11 h Welcome address** President Dietmar Arends

**Presentation of consultation theme, Announcements** Gen  
Sec. Hannes Menke

**12:30 h Lunch**

**14.30 h Coffee**

**15 h Small group discussions** (3-4 participants):

Leading questions: How do I see other religions and their adherents? Have there been changes in the way I perceive people of other religions, in my biography?

**16.30 short break**

**16.45 h Lecture: Christian perceptions of other religions –  
examined from an intercultural perspective of the academic  
study of religion**

What are and what have been typical Christian theological positions towards other religions?

(Ignorance, mission, syncretism, dialogue, coexistence, competition...)

PD Dr. Claudia Jahnel

**18:15 h Dinner**

**19:30 h Workshop: A new grammar for dialogue and mission:  
An Adivasi Theological Perspective."**

Dr. Christ Sumit Abhay Kerketta

**Tuesday, 13/6/2017**

**8 h Morning devotion (Gh?)**

***8:15 h Breakfast***

**9:00 h Bible sharing: Acts 17:16-34 (Dt?)**

***10 h Coffee break***

**10.15 h Contributions from experience: Christianity from the outside**

- Christianity in a Muslim perspective
- Christianity in an atheist perspective?

**11:15 h Lecture: Biblical perspectives**

How are adherents of other religions engaged in New Testament writings  
(competition, rivalry, strife or cohabitation, syncretism, inculturation etc.)

Prof. Dr. Werner Kahl, Mission Academy, Hamburg

***12:30 h Lunch***

***14.30h Coffee***

**15 h Lecture: History of mission**

How has African Traditional Religion been perceived and treated by missionaries of Bremen Mission?

Dr. Cyril Fayose, Evangelical Presbyterian University Campus, Ho

***16:30 h short break***

**16.45 h Lecture: Academic study of religions**

How have African Traditional Religions reacted in the encounter with adherents of other religions (Islam and Christianity – Protestant and Roman-Catholic)?

Dr. Rose-Mary Amenga-Etego, Department of Religions, University of Ghana, Legon-Accra

***18.15 h Dinner***

**19:30 h Workshop: Christian – Islam Dialog**

**Chances for understanding and/or hindrance for mission?**

Statements from Germany, Togo (?) and Ghana (?)

## Wednesday 14/6/2017

**8 h Morning devotion (Tg?)**

**8.15 Breakfast**

**9:00 h Bible sharing: Gen. 14:17-24 (Gh?)**

**10 h Coffee break**

**10.15 h Lecture: Mission Theology**

A pluralistic theology of religion:

Chances and challenges for Christian mission in a multi-religious world

PD Dr. Claudia Jahnel

**11:30 h Discussion in study groups**

What does Christian witness mean in a “glocalized” multi-religious world?

**12:30 h Lunch**

**14.30h Coffee**

**15 h Working groups** to discuss the following questions:

1. Are there any essential insights we gained during the consultation?
2. What are possible consequences (renewal, transformation, etc.)
  - for our relationships to other religions?
  - for mission?
3. What might be useful for implementation
  - in our particular contexts?
  - for our common mission?

**18.15 h Dinner**

**19.30 h Fresh expression of church and strategies for mission**

New Experiences in Bremen, Ghana (?) and Togo (?)

**Thursday, 15/6/2017**

**8 h (Ind?)**

**8.15 h Breakfast (Tg?)**

**9 h Transfer to a neighbouring congregation, Oerlinghausen**

**9.30 h Bible sharing: Gal. 2:1-10**

**10:30 h Discussion of a concluding declaration**

Rethinking mission in our multi-religious world

**12.30 h Lunch**

**14.00 h Closing ceremony**