

CALL FOR PAPER

Teaching religious education: challenges, developments and perspectives in a plural world

Hamburg, 9th and 10th December 2021

Introduction

Religious education is today at the center of attention and of the political-educational agenda in many states. Far from being an established question, it requires continuous adaptation to changes and new social, political, cultural and identity configurations, taking into account the polysemic interaction between global and local. The purpose of the conference is to understand what the challenges and directions of religious education are in multiple national contexts, through a plurality of disciplinary approaches - historical, anthropological, pedagogical, didactic, theological, sociological, psychological, etc. - in order to problematize the role, purposes, teaching methodologies and techniques, teaching tools, teacher training, school programs of the discipline in the curricular field in a globalized world, where the religious re-emerges through new and unprecedented configurations - often in its most problematic version - but where, at the same time and paradoxically, religious illiteracy is rampant among the new generations (Moore, 2007).

Precisely in order to analyze the complex interactions between identities and religious education as a school discipline, PhD students, young researchers, university professors, experts in the discipline are invited to present their contributions which must focus on a time frame between the beginning of the twentieth century and our days, on the topics listed above, and in general on the religious education at school and the inseparable link of this discipline with the plural identities and intercultural competences required in a global world. To this end, interdisciplinary proposals and comparative analyzes are welcome and encouraged.

Place

Faculty of Education, Department of General, Intercultural and International Comparative Education as well as Educational Psychology (EW1), University of Hamburg, Von-Melle-Park 8.

In addition to the face-to-face mode, there is the possibility of participating remotely, taking into account the uncertainty related to the COVID-19 pandemic.

How to participate

Proposals (maximum 300 words) must be accompanied by a short curriculum (200 words) and sent to the editorial staff:

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Abstracts should include the following information:

Author(s)

Affiliation as you would like to appear in the programme

E-mail address

Title of proposal

Text of proposal (including research question, methodology, research context)

Selected bibliography with academic sources (3-5 references)

Five keywords

All submissions are reviewed by the members of the Reading Committee. All abstracts and papers accepted for and presented at the conference must be in English. Papers presentation will be 20 minutes maximum followed by a 10 minutes discussion.

Important dates

Deadline for submitting proposals: 30th June 2021

Communication of acceptance of proposals: 30th July 2021

Confirmation of participation in the conference: 15th August 2021

Submission of papers for publication: 1st February 2022

Submission of papers

The publication of the conference proceedings is expected. The authors admitted to the conference will be notified of the editorial rules for the preparation of contributions. The latter must not exceed 30,000 characters.

Participation costs

The conference is free and there is no registration fee. The living expenses and any overnight stays are charged to the participants.

Organization

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