



## Churches together for Human Rights

7-8 March 2013, Helsinki - Finland

### DAY I

**09:00 - 09:45**      **Welcome and Introduction by the organisers with the opening prayer**

- a) Archbishop Kari Mäkinen, Evangelical-Lutheran Church of Finland
- b) Archbishop of Karelia and all Finland Leo, Orthodox Church of Finland
- c) Fr Heikki Huttunen, Finnish Ecumenical Council
- d) Rev Rüdiger Noll, Director of the Church and Society Commission of CEC

**09:45 - 10:00**      Break

**10:00 - 11:30**      **Human Dignity and Human Rights**

#### **Speakers:**

- a) Dr. Antoine Arjakovsky, Research Director at the Collège des Bernardins, Paris (Ecumenical Patriarchate)
- b) Em Prof Dr Johannes Fischer, EKD
- c) Discussant: Prof Dr Jaana Hallamaa (Evangelical-Lutheran Church of Finland)

**Moderator:** Rev Thorsten Leißer, EKD

**11:30 - 12:00**      Coffee break

**12:00 - 13:30**      **Human Beings and Human Community  
Individual vs. Collective Rights: theological perspective**

- a) Dr Pantelis Kalaitisitsis ( Volos Academy – Church of Greece )
- b) Mr Frank Kantor, MA Secretary General – The Free Churches group, UK
- c) Discussant: Dr. Michael Hjälms, Orthodox Church in Finland, Diocese of Helsinki

**Moderator:** Rev Peter Ciaccio, OPCEMI (Methodist Church in Italy)

**13:30 - 15:00** Lunch

**15:00 - 16:30**      **Human beings and Human Community II**  
**Individual vs. collective Rights: Legal perspective**

- a) Dr Peter Krömer, Synodalpräsident - Evangelische Kirche A.B. in Österreich
- b) Prof Dr David McClean, Church of England
- c) Discussant: Rev. Dr Patrick Roger Schnabel, EKBO

**Moderator:** Rev Rüdiger Noll, Church and Society Commission of CEC

**16:30 - 17:00** Coffee Break

**17:00 - 18:30**      **Instrumentalization and Politization of Human Rights**  
**Human Rights as a political tool**

- a) Dr Göran Gunner, Church of Sweden
- b) Prof Dr Victoria Kamondij, CCME
- c) Canon Dr Gary Wilton, Church of England

**Moderator:** Dr Pamela Slotte, Evangelical-Lutheran Church of Finland)

**19:00** Dinner

## **DAY II**

**09:00 - 10:30**

### **Discussions in the WGs**

- a) WG: Challenges for the churches today
- b) WG: Human Dignity
- c) WG: Individual vs. Collective rights
- d) WG: Instrumentalisation and Politisation of human rights

**10:30 - 11:00**

Coffee break

**11:00 - 12:30**

### **Conclusions**

**Moderator**

Rev Dr Tomi Karttunen (Evangelical-Lutheran Church of Finland)  
Mag Elizabeta Kitanovic, Church and Society Commission of CEC

**12:30 - 14:00**

Lunch

**Departure**