

**Annual General Meeting of the International Commission of Historians of
Religion CIHEC,
Riga, June 3-5, 2024**

Gender and Sexuality in Christian History

Programme

Venue: The small hall, in the main building of the University of Latvia,
Raiņa boulevard 19 (second floor)

03.06.

13.30 Welcome coffee (room next to the small hall)

14.00 Opening addresses

Valdis Tēraudkalns, (Director of Doctoral Studies in Theology and Religious Studies,
University of Latvia)

Jadranka Neralic, President, CIHEC

Dace Balode, Dean, Faculty of Theology (University of Latvia)

14.15 First session (moderator Mikko Ketola, University of Helsinki)

14.15. *Women as “vicars” and “prelates” in Nazi Prisons and Concentration Camps*
(Eileen Groth Lyon, The State University of New York, USA)

14.45 *Between ‘Natural Order’ and ‘Reflection of Christ’s Love’. Exploring the
Impact of the Dynamics of Gender and Sexuality on Church Credibility in Historical
and Contemporary Perspectives* (Peter Morée, Charles University, Czech Republic;
Evelyn Kästner, Macromedia University of Applied Sciences, Leipzig, Germany)

15.15 *Gender on the Move: Men and Women on Pilgrimage Routes* (Antón M. Pazos,
Instituto de Estudios Gallegos Padre Sarmiento (CSIC), Santiago de Compostela,
Spain)

15.45 *Three Companionships in Kata Bethlen’s Life* (Jean de Saint Blanquat, Institute
for the Study of Religions and Laïcité, Paris, France)

16.15 *For a Microhistorical Approach to the Crime of sollicitatio ad turpia: the Case
of François Bouchot, confessor, versus Denise Brosset, maid (late 17th century)*
(Caroline Galland, University of Paris Nanterre, France)

16.45 *Sexual Slavery in the Acts of Andrew: When Vicarious Service Brings No
Salvation* (Nikita Andrejevs, University of Latvia)

04.06.

Second session (moderator Riho Altnurme, University of Tartu, Estonia)

10.00 *Premarital Sexuality and its Control by the Catholic Church in Bohemia in the Second half of the 19th century* (Hana Stoklasová, University of Pardubice, Czech Republic)

10.30 *Till Death do us Part ... Marriage Trials in the Czech Lands in the 19th century* (Zuzanna Pavelková, Čevelová, University of Pardubice, Czech Republic)

11.00 Coffee break

Third Session (moderator Kristīna Ēce, University of Latvia)

11.30 *The Antonian Robe and the Miracle of Purifying the Carnal Desires of a Young Friar* (Claudia Varotti, Institute of Medieval Studies (Portugal) and the European Academy of Religion)

12.00 *LGBT Rights as a Uniting and Dividing Issue in the Estonian Evangelical Lutheran Church after 2010* (Robert Bunder, University of Tartu, Estonia)

12.30 *The Queer Vicar in Berlin. Heribert Jansson and the Complex Negotiation of Emotional and Sexual Attraction in the Cold War Era* (Fredrik Santell, Church of Sweden)

13.00 Lunch break

Fourth session (moderator Valdis Tēraudkalns, University of Latvia)

14.00 *Education Process in Preparation for Mission as Seen in the Cases of the First Female Missionaries from Latvia* (Kristīna Ēce, University of Latvia)

14.30 *Funeral Image Making after the End of the Proposal*, Camila Marraccini (IMT School for Advanced Studies Lucca, Italy)

15.00 *Female Clergy During Stalinism in Soviet Latvia, 1944-1953: Processes and Problems* (Diāna Hristenko (University of Latvia)

15.30 Coffee Break