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THE CHURCH AND THE ECONOMY

Scientific Seminar

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Program

Opening: 11:00

Davit Muskhelishvili, Chairman of the Board of International Centre for Christian Studies at the Orthodox Church of Georgia

Welcoming speeches

- His Holiness and Beatitude, the Catholicos-Patriarch of All Georgia Ilia II
- Vera Kobalia, Minister of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia
- Dr. Vakhtang Sartania, Dean of the Faculty of Economics and Business Administration at the Georgian University of St. Andrews

Keynote speakers

- Interconnection between Christian Values and Business, Doctor Parmen Margvelashvili
- Economy and Orthodox Ethics, priest, Father Andria Jagmaidze

Break: 12:30

Discussions: 13:00

The Seminar is dedicated to His Holiness and Beatitude, the Catholicos-Patriarch of All Georgia Ilia II, on the occasion of His Angel Day.

In 2002, His Holiness and Beatitude Ilia II blessed and founded the permanent foundation – “International Centre for Christian Studies at the Orthodox Church of Georgia”.

The purpose of the Centre is to restore a bridge between the Church and the Science, which was deliberately broken during the communist period, and to unite Faith and Knowledge. Over the years, a number of scientific symposiums, conferences, seminars, expeditions and elucidative lectures have been dedicated to consideration of this issue.

The activity of the Centre made clear that it is impossible to undertake such a difficult mission without taking into account national and cultural consciousness.

In this regard, His Holiness' thoughts and opinions, expressed in His sermons and epistles are of great importance.

International Centre for Christian Studies has decided to contribute to the implementation of scientific studies on topical social issues, expressed by His Holiness and to make them available for public.

For this reason, we think to hold scientific seminars, on a permanent basis, which will coordinate cooperation between churchmen, scientists and specialists.

Possible Seminar topics for discussion

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| • Essence of the National Idea | • The Church and the Family |
| • The language and the National Consciousness | • The Church and the Education |
| • The Faith and the Knowledge | • The Church and the Media |
| • The Church and the Culture | • The Church and the Medicine |
| • The Church and the State | • An Individual and Personal Freedom |
| • The Church and the Economy | • International Relations and Globalization |