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## From the desk of the coordinator

In the words of former Superior General Antonio Pernia, **Anthropos Institute (AI) should “act as the guardian of the Anthropos tradition of the Society”** (*VERBUM SVD* 45, 1 (2004), 34). This issue of *Interlink* presents the 2019 activities of AI individuals and ten institutions, dedicated to the social and religious sciences, within the global network of Anthropos Institute International (AII). These efforts contribute to academic scholarship and the continuation of the Anthropos tradition of the Arnoldus family.

The **Coordinating Council of Anthropos Institute International** consists of Roger Schroeder (USC) as Coordinator; and Stanislaus Grodż (GER) and Michael Sebastian Maria (INM) as members of the Council. They held meetings (via Skype) on January 26, 2019, and on February 10, 2020. The agenda of the latter meeting included: financial update on AI-Sankt Augustin, future personnel issues for the journal, update of the AI International website, the *Anthropology and Mission* publication, and the proposal for a common AI book publication on the occasion of the 90<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Institute. The next Skype Council meeting is scheduled for May, 2020. Schroeder and Grodż also met in Poland in November 2019 (while both were speaking at the same conference) to discuss some AI business. Other committee business was conducted by email.

In terms of **AI membership**, there are now thirty-eight full members, two emeriti, and six associate members for a total of forty-six Anthropos Institute members, the same number as in 2018.

International Coordinator Schroeder was able to meet personally and/or collectively with the following AI members in Lublin, Poland in November 2019: Andrzej Bronk, Stanislaus Grodż, Zdzisław Kupisiński, Jacek Pawlik, and Henryk Zimon. In February 2020, Schroeder met the following AI members in Sankt Augustin, Germany: Vinsensius Gunawan Adi, Othmar Gächter, Günther Gessinger, Grodż, Joachim Piepke, and Dariusz Piwowarczyk.

A number of AI members continued in 2019 to be

involved in activities related to the interculturality themes and resolutions of the **2012 and 2018 SVD General Chapters**. This includes a joint three-week program (Spanish and English) on “Spirituality and Interculturality” in Steyl, the Netherlands, in January-February 2020. The SVD and SSsP General Councils reconstituted the **Resource Committee for Interculturality (RCI)** in 2019 with five SVD and five SSsP, including three AI members: S.M. Michael (INM), Roger Schroeder (USC), Janet Tellis (Indian in Paraguay). In 2019 AI and RCI members and other SVD and SSsP resource persons in interculturality greatly extended their work in intercultural living and mission to many **other men’s and women’s religious congregations** around the world.

**AI members are strongly encouraged to submit articles and write book reviews for the *Anthropos* journal.** If interested, contact our editor Dariusz Piwowarczyk at [editorial@anthropos.eu](mailto:editorial@anthropos.eu).

The website for Anthropos Institute International is in the process of being updated (<https://www.anthropos.eu/anthropos/institute/index.php>). AI members are invited to send the following to Grodż at [grodz@anthropos.eu](mailto:grodz@anthropos.eu) for inclusion on our website: individual professional bio (and website link), and a paragraph description and website link for institutes with some AI affiliation. The homepage of Anthropos Institute on the SVD Curia website (<http://www.svdcuria.org>) also provides general information.

The Anthropos Institute International **list server**, established at Creighton University, USA, offers a possibility for the exchange of ideas among AI members. If you wish to add your name, go to the following site below:

<http://lists.creighton.edu/mailman/listinfo/anthropos>. You will receive a notification of that registration. Direct any technical questions to Alexander Rödlach at [AlexanderRodlach@creighton.edu](mailto:AlexanderRodlach@creighton.edu).

Please contact me, regarding any business related to the international network of Anthropos Institute at [rschroeder@ctu.edu](mailto:rschroeder@ctu.edu). Best wishes for 2020!

Roger Schroeder, SVD  
International Coordinator of Anthropos Institute

## Publications of the Institute

The **official publications of the Institute** are entrusted to the Editorial Board at Anthropos Institute St. Augustin. **The year 2019 was a very productive year with the publication of the journal, four monographs, *Anthropology and Mission*, and an Anthropos Special Issue.**

### Staff

The **Editorial Board** at Anthropos Institut Sankt Augustin consists of: 5 SVDs (Darius Piwowarczyk – the Editor-in-Chief, Vincensius Adi Gunawan, Joachim Piepke, Othmar Gächter, Stanislaw Grodz) and 4 lay co-workers (Birgit Lenz-Volland – reviews, Andrea Mück-Sommershoff – administration, editorial support, Harald Grauer – librarian, editorial support, Qianheng Zhao – digitalisation; editorial support).

### Publications

In 2019, NOMOS-Academia Verlag took over the full production process of the journal (typesetting in addition to printing and distribution). There were some typesetting problems with the journal's 1st issue. Most of them were solved after a meeting with the typesetter team on 22nd October 2019.

**1. Anthropos 2019** (vol. 114) – two issues of 697 pages – were published and sent out to subscribers (June and December). Vol. 114 contains 27 articles + 5 others grouped in a **new section** ('Debate': Mission history and postcolonial museums), 2 obituaries and 118 book reviews. The section of *Zeitschriftenschau* offers an overview of contents of some 140 journals specialized in the field of social and religious studies.

**Six SVDs contributed to the contents of the journal:** Paulus Budi Kleden, Karl Heinz Arenz, Vinsensius Adi Gunawan, Othmar Gächter, Stanislaw Grodz and Darius J. Piwowarczyk.

**The following articles in both issues are directly relevant to the SVD and its mission:**

\* Paulus Budi Kleden, The Truth in Relation. A Lamaholot Understanding of Truth, 107-118  
\* Karl Arenz, Cândida Barros, Valeria Gauz, Um Catecismo Amazônico. O 'Compendio da Doutrina Christam na Língua Portugueza & Brasílica' de João Felipe Bettendorff (1687), 181-194

\* Vinsensius Adi Gunawan, Narchruf auf Józef Glinka SVD (1932-2018), 223-225

\* Marisol Palma Behnke, Diario del tercer viaje de Martín Gusinde a Tierra del Fuego (1921-1922). Introducción y comentario a la publicación del documento inédito. Parte I, 355-372

\* Rebecca Loder-Neuhold, The 'Missions-ethnographische Museum' of St Gabriel as an Example for European Mission Museums, 515-529

### A directly relevant book was reviewed:

\* Rurit, Bernarda: Prof. Dr. Habil. Josef Glinka, SVD. Perintis Antropologi Ragawi di Indonesia (Prof. Dr.habil. Josef Glinka, SVD. The Pioneer of Physical Anthropology in Indonesia), (Vinsensius

Adi Gunawan), 638-640

Anthropos is available on **JSTOR**. In addition, NOMOS gives the subscribers access to the electronic version of the journal via its eLibrary. The list of contents with articles' abstracts and the link to eLibrary are available at: <http://www.anthropos.eu/anthropos>.

### 2. *Studia Instituti Anthropos (SIA)*

(SIA 58) Ch. Kilian-Hatz: The Linguistic link between (Western) baMbenga and (Eastern) baMbuti Pygmies, Baden-Baden: Academia Verlag, 2019, 458 pp. ISBN 978-3-89665-792-3

(SIA 59) M.S. Cipolletti: Schamanismus und religiöse Auffassungen der Indianer Südamerikas, Baden-Baden: Academia Verlag, 2019, 275 pp., ill., ISBN 978-3-89665-822-7

### 3. *Collectanea Instituti Anthropos (CIA)*

(CIA 50) T. Bargatzky, Mana. Macht und Mythen. Tradition und Moderne in Australien und Ozeanien, Baden-Baden: Academia Verlag, 2019, 168 pp. ISBN 978-3-89665-798-5

(CIA 51) S. Dedenbach-Salazar Sáenz (ed.): Translating Wor(l)ds. Christianity across cultural boundaries, Baden-Baden: Academia Verlag, 2019, 333 pp. ISBN 978-3-89665-794-7

**4. Anthropos Special Issue** 1 was published in June: Churches, Mission and Development in the Post-colonial era. Christian Engagement between Holistic and Modernists Schemes of Improvement, with Heinzpeter Znoj and Sabine Zurschmitten as guest editors.

**5. Anthropology&Mission** No. 59 (July 2019) with information about 37 books (prepared by O. Gächter and V. Adi Gunawan) and 13 articles (prepared by J. Piepke, D. Piwowarczyk, V. Adi Gunawan and S. Grodz); No. 60 (December 2019) with information about 39 books (prepared by O. Gächter and V. Adi Gunawan) and 11 articles (prepared by J. Piepke, D. Piwowarczyk, V. Adi Gunawan, S. Grodz). The bulletin appears only electronically at: <http://www.anthropos.eu/anthropos/publications/anthropology-and-mission/index.php>.

## Reports by Individual Members

These reports include publications, conference papers, teaching and other activities/events during 2019. Materials in press will normally be mentioned when they appear. Members, however, sometimes also report on their works in progress to communicate what they are currently working on. These reports reflect the great diversity and depth of the work of the members of Anthropos Institute.

**There are 28 individual reports.**

### Joachim Andrade

Andrade published several articles as well as released two books, one on Mission and the other on Inter religious Dialogue.

### Teaching

1. In the Claretian Faculty – STUDIUM THEOLOGICUM, he taught Sociology of Religion, Ecumenism and Inter-Religious Dialogue and Missiology, over two semesters.
2. In the Faculty of Vincentians Fathers he taught Theological anthropology, Comparative study of religions and Ecumenism.
3. In the Pontifical Catholic University of Paraná, as the professor of the department of Theology and Philosophy, he taught graduate and post-graduate students.
4. He taught courses on Interculturality and mission, Mission spirituality, and Intercultural formation in different parts of Brazil. Some Congregations too have requested the theme on Interculturality for their ongoing formation.
5. For the month of July, at the invitation of the Bishops he taught graduate students in Dili, East Timor.
6. He gave lectures on Religion at St. Aloysius College, Mangalore, India.
7. Lectures on Interculturality in Philadelphia, US, for the Bernardine Sisters, and for the Franciscan Bernardine Sisters in Viamão, Porto Alegre.
8. Talk of Religion and human rights in St. Agnes College, Mangalore India.
9. He continues every year to teach missiology, interculturality and inter-religious dialogue, as preparation for the Brazilian missionaries of different congregations who have received the ad gentes mission assignment. This is organized by the Bishops Conference of Brazil.
10. He also teaches a course on interculturality and inculturation to the incoming missionaries to Brazil of various congregations.

### **Carl Milos Bulilan**

Bulilan is the Vice President for Academic Affairs in the SVD Holy Name University in the province of Bohol, the Philippines. He taught Qualitative Research Methods and Urban and Rural Development..

He gave a paper on "Reclaiming Culture: Innovating Traditional Religious Performance for Tourism in the Philippines" at the Young Scholars' Conference on Philippine Studies in Japan, at the Graduate School of International Development, Nagoya University, Nagoya City, Japan.

### **Bhaskar Das**

Das is currently serving as Assistant Professor of Anthropology at DHSK College, Dibrugarh, Assam (India).

#### Publications:

1. Paper on "Prevalence of Haemoglobinopathies in Upper Assam" published in the book *Anthropology and Health* edited by Rashmi Sinha and published by Rawat Publications, New Delhi, 124-131 (2019) (ISBN 978-81-316-0874-6).
2. Currently editing a book jointly on "North-East India: Changing Contexts, Shifting Meanings & Transformations of Traditions" jointly with AI member Dr. Jose Jacob.

#### MOOC courses completed

1. "Osteoarchaeology: The truth in our bones" from Leiden University, Netherlands.
2. "Evolution Today" from Leiden University.

#### Faculty Development

1. Participated in the one-week program on "Behavioral Remodeling and Use of ICT Tools for Classroom Delivery of Teachers" at DHSK College, Dibrugarh with support from Tech Booster Institute of Professional Studies, Guwahati (India).
2. Participated in the one-day Faculty Knowledge Sharing Program held at DHSK Commerce College, Dibrugarh.

### **Norbert Foerster**

Foerster lives in Humaitá in the Amazonia, where he is coordinating the river-mission of that village, visiting regularly 67 little communities along the Madeira-river. After seven years in Humaitá of Amazonas, he will go back to São Paulo by March of 2020.

#### Professional Activities

He is the Vice-coordinator of Anthropos do Brasil and professor of Theology at the Faculdade Católica in Porto Velho - Rondônia. In 2019, he taught Anthropology of Religion and Topics of Missiology (reading and discussing the Brasilian edition of "Prophetic Dialogue – Reflections on Christian Mission Today") at the graduate level at the Faculdade Católica in Porto Velho and gave a retreat about Mission as Prophetic Dialogue to seminarists of the Interdiocesan Seminary of Porto Velho. He is a member of the research group REPAL (Religião e periferia na América Latina – Religion and periphery in Latin America) at the Methodist University of São Paulo (UMESP). This year, he was requested by this university repeatedly as a reviewer of academic articles.

### **Othmar Gächter**

Gächter is a member of the Editorial Board of *Anthropos*. He co-edited with Vinsensius Adi Gunawan the "Review of Books" in *Anthropology & Mission* 2019/59+60.

#### Publications

1. Biallas, Franz Xaver SVD (Pinyin: Bao Runsheng), Missionar, Sinologe, Linguist. In: *Biographisch-Bibliographisches Kirchenlexikon*, Bd. 40, Nordhausen: Verlag Traugott Bautz, 2019, Sp. 106–112.
2. Pande, Amba (ed.): Women in the Indian Diaspora. Historical Narratives and Contemporary Challenges. Singapore: Springer Nature, 2018. 200 pp. *Anthropos* 114.2019: 627-629.

### **Joshua Awienagua Gariba**

Gariba is now on the faculty of the University of Ghana, Legon, where he taught the following three courses: "Introduction to Social Anthropology", "Societies and Cultures of Africa," and "Diversity of Peoples and Cultures."

#### Publications

1. Wrote an article on "Pastoral Institutes in Africa: A Reflection" for *ONE WORLD THEOLOGY*, edited by Missio, Aachen in Germany.
2. Co-published: "Safe care under siege? Nature, scale, causes and consequences of violent assaults

and risk perception of mental hospitals in Ghana" with: Roger Atinga, Lily Yarney, Kingsley Saatouh Mort, Joana Salifu Yendork. They are colleagues from different departments of the University of Ghana.

#### Conference paper

He participated in the bi-annual conference of the Ghana Studies Association (GSA) at the University of Ghana, Legon in Accra, Ghana. The GSA is an interdisciplinary association of scholars with varied research interests on Ghana from different perspectives that meet once every two years. He presented a paper entitled: "Be strong if you have to eat: Youth, Land Conflict and Belonging in Ghana."

#### Other activity

He attended the meeting of the Network Pastoral Africa (NPA) in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. The NPA is comprised of social scientists, theologians, directors of pastoral institutes in Africa among others.

#### **Patrick Gesch**

Gesch is Professor at Divine Word University (DWU) in Madang, Papua New Guinea.  
Professional Activities:

The dominant topic in Papua New Guinea for 2019 was the Referendum Vote concerning the independence of Bougainville. The result of the voting was an overwhelming vote of 98% for Independence.

The National Research Institute in Port Moresby had charge of academic preparation for the Referendum, as part of the general information campaign throughout the country and the Autonomous Region of Bougainville (AROB). They produced a well orchestrated set of papers by international experts and of bulletins for letting people know what was going to happen. One of their moves was to ask for academic contributions from other bodies in PNG. Gesch's Department at Divine Word University in Madang, of PNG Studies and International Relations, decided that as a group they had considerable experience with election monitoring and with Bougainville, and they could together produce a paper. They took the topic: Voting behaviour in the upcoming Referendum. They took the paper to a conference in Port Moresby and have had it published as a bulletin. Gesch did the main editorial work.

#### Forthcoming publications of conference papers

1. On the topic of witchcraft for the ASPAMIR conference in Tagaytay, the Philippines.
2. On spirits in the jungle, for Australian National University.

#### Teaching

1. Involved reading in the area of PNG Literature, Peace and Conflict Studies, Traditional Village Religions and even Film Studies for Development.
2. Moving into on-line teaching.

#### **Philip Gibbs**

Gibbs had been Vice-president of Research and Higher Degrees at Divine Word University, PNG. Since September, 2019, he is the Deputy President of the University. Along with the administrative duties, he continues to try to understand and to stop

Sorcery Accusation Related Violence. Some of his 2019 publications reflect that.

#### Publications:

1. M.Forsyth, P. Gibbs, F. Hukula, J. Putt, Llane Munau, I. Losoncz, Ten preliminary findings concerning sorcery accusation related violence in Papua New Guinea. *Discussion Paper #80*, March 2019, Development Policy Centre, Australian National University.
2. F. Hukula, M. Forsyth, P. Gibbs. Witchcraft and human rights: global learnings and conversations. Development Policy Blog. April 17, 2019. <http://www.devpolicy.org/witchcraft-and-human-rights-global-learnings-and-conversations-20190417/>
3. Forsyth, Miranda and Gibbs, Philip and Hukula, Fiona and Putt, Judy and Munau, Llane and Losoncz, Ibolya, Ten Preliminary Findings Concerning Sorcery Accusation-Related Violence in Papua New Guinea (March 27, 2019). *Development Policy Centre Discussion Paper* No. 80. Available at SSRN: <https://ssrn.com/abstract=3360817>
4. Gibbs P (with Lopa M). "Prenez notre terre... et nous ne sommes plus personne": Laudato si' en actes en Papouasie-Nouvelle-Guinée. Peuples minoritaires: quelle Bonne nouvelle? *Spiritus* 234, pp 78-91. [Translated: "Apodérence de nuestra tierra ...y nosotros no somos ya nadie". Laudato si' en acción en Papuasia-Nueva Guinea, *Spiritus* 60.1, N° 234, Marzo 2019, 64-79.]
5. Gibbs, Philip, Lopa, Matthias "Take our land and we become nobody": Laudato Si' in action in Papua New Guinea. *Verbum SVD* 60:1-2 (2019), pp. 79-91.
6. Philip Gibbs, Kylie McKenna & Lorelle Tekopiri Yakam, Perception of the public on the law as a deterrent to sorcery accusation related violence, Madang Province, PNG. *DWU Research Journal*, vol 28, May 2019, pp. 51-71. [https://www.dwu.ac.pg/en/images/All\\_Attachments/Research%20Journals/vol\\_30/5.%20Gibbs,%20McKenna%20&%20Yakam,%20sorcery%20accusation%20related%20violence.pdf](https://www.dwu.ac.pg/en/images/All_Attachments/Research%20Journals/vol_30/5.%20Gibbs,%20McKenna%20&%20Yakam,%20sorcery%20accusation%20related%20violence.pdf)
7. Miranda Forsyth & Philip Gibbs, Contagion of Violence: The Role of Narratives, Worldviews, Mechanisms. *International Journal for Crime, Justice and Social Democracy*, vol 8, no.3 <https://doi.org/10.5204/ijcjsd.v9i2.1217> (doi: 10.5204/ijcjsd.v9i2.1217)

#### **Lazar Gnanaprakasam**

Gnanaprakasam is the Director of Sanskruti -- Institute of Dravidian Culture and Research in Hyderabad, India. See the institutional report below.

#### **Stanisław Grodz**

Grodz is the director of the Anthropos Institut, Sankt Augustin and a member of the Anthropos Institute International Coordinating Council. Most of his work is devoted to administrative duties at the Institute.

#### Publications:

1. „Partnerschaft in der Kulturgeschichte“, in Ch. Tauchner SVD (Hg), *BeziehungsWeise – Problematisch?! Ehe und Partnerschaft im Wandel der Zeit*, Siegburg: Franz Schmidt Verlag, 2019, pp.

33-49 (Akademie Völker und Kulturen 2018/19, Band 40).

## 2. Two book reviews:

\* Domdey, Jana, Gesine Drews-Sylla und Justyna Golabek (Hrsg.): *AnOther Africa? (Post-)Koloniale Afrikaimaginationen in russischen, polnischen und deutschen Kontext*, *Anthropos* 114.2019/2: 578-579

\* Friedrich, Markus, and Alexander Schunka (eds.): *Reporting Christian Mission in the Eighteenth Century. Communication, Culture of Knowledge, and Regular Publication in a Cross-Confessional Perspective*, *Anthropos* 114.2019/2: 585-587

3. He continues to contribute to the work of the Bibliographical History of Christian-Muslim Relations, 1500-1900 (CMR1900), a project headed by Prof. David R. Thomas with assistance of an international group of scholars. Grodż has been a member of the core editorial board since 2012. Eight volumes (16-18th centuries – together over 8,000 pages) were published so far. The 9th, i.e. vol. 14 – the last for the eighteenth century – should appear at the beginning of 2020. He prepared nine entries for volume 14 and wrote a part of the general introduction to the volume. Eight more volumes are planned for the nineteenth century. (<http://www.birmingham.ac.uk/schools/ptr/departments/theologyandreligion/research/projects/CMR1900/project.aspx>)

## Conferences and workshops:

1. European Society for Intercultural Theology and Interreligious Studies bi-annual conference – The Hope and Despair of Religions: Exploring the Nexus of Theory and Praxis – 24-27th April 2019, Sarajevo, Bosnia-Herzegovina. He chaired one plenary session: "How to Research Religious Traditions: Moving beyond a Bifurcated Field."

2. Delivered a paper "Some Challenges for Mix Marriages in the Hindu Context" at the conference "Marriage and Family in Different Cultures and Religions" organised by the Philosophisch-Theologische Hochschule SVD St. Augustin and the University of Warmia and Mazury in Olsztyn, at Sankt Augustin 20-21st May 2019.

3. Delivered a presentation "Learning where we stand" during a Workshop for the New SVD Missionaries in Zone Europe, 13-18th May 2019 in Budapest.

## **Jon Kirby**

Kirby in 2019 was Director of the Mission Office for San Diego diocese (USA). As part of that job, he visited a number of these projects in Rajasthan, Madhya Pradesh and Kerala, in India, that included HIV centers, hostels for homeless and abandoned children, and training centers for empowering women.

## Writing project

He has written a book manuscript on the prayers and praises of Afua Kuma, for a North American and European audience, using a collection of prayers recorded by AI member Kofi Ron Lange. He is currently in dialogue with a publisher.

## Drama activities

He also continues his work in Bibliodrama, Culture-drama and Psychodrama. He offered a Bibliodrama training session for the staff of one of our prominent

parishes and a full day training for the deacons in formation and their wives. He is receiving requests for Bibliodrama from other diocesan groups.

## Personal update

Kirby has been SVD vice-provincial (USW), and was appointed provincial in 2020.

## **Robert Kisala**

Kisala finished 12 years on the SVD General Council and returned to Japan. He has been in charge of the Overseas Training Program and the new missionaries while they study Japanese. **In April 2020 he will take over as president of Nanzan University.**

## **Peter Knecht**

Knecht in his retirement continues to be involved in various activities.

## Publications

Review: Helen Hardacre, Shinto: A History for the journal of the Nanzan Anthropological Institute "Asian Ethnology," vol. 78, 2019.

## Lectures

1. A series of double-unit lectures combined with visits to Shinto and Buddhist sanctuaries, Shinto and Folkreligion at the NCC Center for the Study of Japanese Religions, in Kyoto, from 23 October to 4 December. (In German).

2. 'Begegnung mit japanischen Religionen.' Paper given on invitation at the Conference "Interreligiöses Studienprogramm als Aufgabe der Kirche in multi-religiösen Gesellschaften: Indien, Japan, Libanon" sponsored by EMS (Evangelical Mission in Solidarity). (In German).

3. 'Missionary and Anthropologist, a Contradiction?' Paper given at the second workshop at the Nanzan Anthropological Institute: "'Great theory' and 'Theory of the Field' in Anthropology and Archaeology." (In Japanese)

4. 'Missionary and Anthropologist, a Contradiction?' Extended version of the paper mentioned above, focused on why the SVD supports publications like *Anthropos* and *Asian Folklore Studies* (Formerly Folklore Studies and now Asian Ethnography) presented at the symposium in celebration of the 70th anniversary of "Nanzan Anthropological Institute" on 7 December 2019. (In Japanese)

## Fieldwork

About three weeks in Inner Mongolia (China) on shamans and healers.

## **Zdzisław Kupisiński**

Kupisiński is on the faculty of John Paul II Catholic University of Lublin (KUL) and head of the Department of Religiology and Missiology. He has a full load of teaching responsibilities. He reviewed two Doctoral theses and two Master's theses.

## Publications:

1. Research on Folk Religiosity in the Department of Religious Studies and Missiology KUL, „Roczniki Teologiczne”, vol. LXV, issue 9 – 2018; DOI: <http://dx.doi.org/10.18290/rt.2018.65.9-9e> p. 133-151.

2. „Dzień świętego Szczepana w religijności i kulturze ludowej w Polsce” (St. Stephen's Day in Religion and Folk Culture in Poland), „Roczniki

Teologiczne" vol. LXVI, 2019, w. 9, p. 127-139.  
3. „Noc świętojańska w polskiej obrzędowości ludowej" (Saint John's Night in Polish Folk Rituals), [in:] Z. Budrewicz, M. Sienko (eds), Obrzędy, zwyczaje, rytuały w kulturze i edukacji regionalnej (Rites, Customs and Rituals in Culture and Regional Education), Krakow 2019, p. 205-215.

Reviews:

4. Tomasz Kalniuk, Drogi i miejsca religijności ludowej. Antropologiczne studium nowych ośrodków kultu we współczesnej Polsce (Strachocina, Stryszawa, Sokółka i Legnica) (Ways and places of folk religiousness. Anthropological study of new centres of worship in contemporary Poland (Strachocina, Stryszawa, Sokółka and Legnica)), Scientific Publishing House of Nicolaus Copernicus University, Toruń 2019, pp. 322.
5. „Roczniki Teologiczne", t. LXVI, 2019, w. 9: Teologia Fundamentalna i Religiologia (Fundamental Theology and Religiology), p. 143-146.

#### Publishing Reviews

Books:

1. „Świadek wiary i miłosierdzia ks. prof. Tadeusz Dajczer (1931–2009)" (*Witness of Faith and Mercy of Rev. prof. Tadeusz Dajczer (1931-2009)*) edited by E. Sakowicz and W. Zagórska, pp. 218, Publishing House: Cardinal Stefan Wyszyński University in Warsaw.

Articles:

1. *The Integrated Man as a Precondition of Honest Business* – Faculty of Theology, University of Warmia and Mazury in Olsztyn (02.04.2019).
2. „Strukturalne przemiany rodziny w Afryce Subsaharyjskiej" (*Structural Transformations of the Family in Sub-Saharan Africa*), „*Studia Elbląskie*" vol. XX, 2019 (21.08.2019).
3. „Misja uniwersytetu katolickiego według Jana Pawła II" (*Mission of the Catholic University according to John Paul II*), „Roczniki Teologiczne" w. 5/ 2019 (30.08.2019).
4. *Concepts of Spirituality at Universities of Today* – „Roczniki Teologiczne" 66 (2019) 5 (05.09.2019).
5. „Społeczne implikacje etyki buddyjskiej" (*Social Implications of Buddhist Ethics*) – „*Studia Oecumenica*" Institute of Ecumenism and Research on Integration – Opole (24.10.2019).

#### Conference papers:

1. Participation in the National Scientific Conference on Folklore w społecznościach tradycyjnych i nowoczesnych (*Folklore in Traditional and Modern Communities*) organized by the Polish Folklore Society (Folklore Section), Upper Silesian Ethnographic Park Museum in Chorzów and presentation of a paper entitled “Pamięć o zmarłych w dorocznej obrzędowości ludowej. Tradycja a współczesność" (*Remembrance of the Deceased in Annual Folk Rituals. Tradition and Modernity*).
2. Organization of and participation in the International Scientific Conference of the Marian Rusecki Memorial Lectures. “From the Maximum Illud to the Evangelii Gaudium and the Synod of the Church in Amazon." At Catholic University of Lublin. He delivered a paper entitled “Działalność Katedry Religiologii i Misjologii KUL w

promowaniu idei misyjnej Kościoła w Polsce" (“Activities of the Department of Religiology and Missiology of the Catholic University of Lublin in Promoting the Missionary Idea of the Church in Poland").

#### **Jose Kuzhikkattuthazhe**

Kuzhikkattuthazhe is the Director of Sanskriti—North Eastern Institute of Cultural Research (NEICR) in Guwahati, India (ING). See that institutional report below.

#### **Kofi Ronald Lange**

Lange is now living in the United States, after many years in Ghana. His one professional project at this time is doing a German translation of the *Die Geschichte der katholische Kirche in Togo* (The History of the Catholic Church in Togo).

#### **Michael, S. M.**

Sebastian Maria Michael is a member of the Coordinating Council of Anthropos Institute International, and the Arnoldus Family Resource Committee of Interculturality (RCI). He gave lectures in Cultural Anthropology at St. Pius X Seminary, Mumbai.

#### Conference Papers and Publications

1. Participated in the Conference, organized by the Bishops conference of India (CBCI) at Varanasi on the occasion of the Golden Jubilee of the First Consultation on Indian Church after Vatican II. He delivered a paper on “Church’s Response to Social Concern: Empowerment through Indian Constitution”, which was later published in *Third Millennium*, Vol. XXII, January – March, 2019, pp. 4-22.
2. Participated in the Indian Theological Association Meeting. He gave a paper, “Inter-Relationship Between Ecology and Culture for a Sustainable Development” at the “National Conference on Sustainable Development through Research and Intervention,” and it was published in the Journal “Perspectives in Social Work”, Vol.XXXIII, No. 3, December 2018, pp. 39-67.

#### Other activity

1. He was one of the resource persons for the Workshop on “Engaging Our Diversity through Interculturality” organized by UISG, Rome, from January 22-30, 2019.
2. Participated in the Workshop of the Institute for Community Organization Research of the Justice and Peace Commission of the Bombay Archdiocese.
3. Resource person at several religious institutions like National Vocational Service Centre (NVSC), Pune, Ishvani Kendra, Pune and Goa Archdiocesan Pastoral Centre in Goa.

#### **Roger Vanzila Munsi**

Munsi taught six courses and two seminars (including Cultural Anthropology, Anthropology of Religion, Multiculturalism, Studies in Religion, Human Dignity and Ethnic Issues, Citizenship, Globalization, Ethnicity and Culture, Globalization, Ethnicity and Religion) at Nanzan University while being involved in different research activities organized by the Nanzan Anthropological Institute

on the occasion of its 70th anniversary. In his course on Anthropology and Global Liberal Studies, he covered issues pertaining to Interculturality, Globalization and Multiculturalism. These three themes also constituted separate seminar and lecture courses.

Publications:

1. "The Age-Old Ritual Practice of Ohatsuhoage among the Kakure Kirishitan Survivors Intersection of Identities and Resources." *Annual Papers of the Anthropological Institute*, Vol 9. 1-60.
2. "Perceptions and Experiences of the Healing Effects of Fundamental Faith Practices in Kakure Kirishitan Society," *Research Papers of the Anthropological Institute* Vol.6. 151-202.
3. "Are you a Roman Catholic Priest or a Fieldworking Anthropologist?" an article based on his long-term field experience in Nagasaki settings. (See Nanzan Anthropological Institute Website, 2019).

Fieldwork:

1. During summer 2019 he did anthropological cross-sectional research in the hinterland of the Democratic Republic of Congo, precisely on the "Sakata People Medicine". The second part of the investigation was designed to collect more information on the "Royal Family and Conflicts over Leadership of the Mabie Chiefdom in Sakataland". The outcome of this research will enrich his forthcoming book on the same topic. In addition, I conducted a second phase of my visual anthropological study of the "Sakata Folklore Dancing in Urban Settings." As in previous years, the main data from this research was put together for publication in Austria (CSM Production) during 2020 in a format of DVD which will contain 9 songs, each with dancing performances. Interviews conducted on this topic will be put together in a short book format.
2. Between October and December 2019 he carried out a follow-up cross-section research on the San Jiwan Karematsu Shrine Festival in Post-Crisis Some of the research findings enriched his forthcoming article, which will be published by the Japan Mission Journal. Other data will be inserted into my forthcoming book on Kirishitan Shrines and Festival in Japan: Looking at the Religiosity of Local Communities.

During this period of the study, he also updated some parts of his book (in Japanese) on the Biography of Murakami Shigeru: A Kakure Kirishitan Leader from Sotome-Kurosaki who converted to Catholicism, for its forthcoming second edition.

Workshops, lectures, projects

1. Together with Prof. Julian Vasquez Lopera (Stockholm University), he organized a book project-based workshop on Kirishitan Shrine festivals and Christian Ecumenical Discourse: A Performance and Ethnographic Study at the Anthropological Institute (Nanzan University).
2. Delivered a Special Lecture on "The Historical Christian Sites and the present-day remnants of Kakure Kirishitan (Hidden Christian) communities" in Nagasaki settings during the Interreligious Study in Japan Program (ISJP) organized annually by the

NCC Institute for Religious Studies in Kyoto.

3. Gave a fieldwork-based paper on "The Old-Age Ritual Practice of Ohatsuhoage among the Kakure Kirishitan Survivors: Intersection between Identities and Resources" at the Annual Conference of the International Convention of Asia Scholar (ICAS) held in Leiden (Netherlands).
4. With other professors, Munsi also organized a joint project on the theme "Learning about Christianity" under the aegis of the Faculty of Global Liberal Studies, and a popular book-based project on "Understanding the Expression of Kirishitan Faith in Contemporary Settings".

**Gregory Neonbasu**

Neonbasu taught Anthropology, Ethics, Gender-Politics, Governmental anthropology, Ethnology and rural-sociology at several campuses of UNIKA Widya Mandira, Kupang, Indonesia. He also teaches for STAKN [Sekolah Tinggi Agama Kristen Negeri of GMIT (Gereja Masehi Injili di Timor)].

Papers presented

1. "Menjaga Stabilitas Kemanan dan Ketahanan Nasional (Sebuah Kajian Antropologi Indonesia)"
2. "Oral Traditions among the 'east and west' Timor people"
3. "Ideas of Tracing the Origins: Oceania, Melanesia, and Nusantara of Indonesia"
4. "Pancasila Dalam Perjalanan Waktu (Sebuah Refleksi Sejarah Antropologi)
5. Mencari Jejak Majapahit Dalam KOnteks Nusa Tenggara Timur (Sebuah Petualangan Antropologis)

Publications

1. An editor for *Menggagas Ide, Merajut Rasa: Citra Melayani Lebih Sungguh* (Young People Emerging Ideas: Doing More for Better Future), Surabaya: Smart, CV.
2. "Citra Pendidikan Tinggi Indonesia Dalam Perspektif Antropologi (Sebuah Refleksi Struktural atas Dinamika Pembangunan)", The Image of Indonesian Higher Education within Anthropological Perspective (A Structural reflection on the Current Dynamic Development"). *Jurnal Masyarakat dan Budaya*, Volume 21, No. 2 Tahun 2019: pgs 233-246 LIPI: Jakarta.

Research

1. Collaborating with three Timorese colleagues from the Catholic University of Widya Mandira Kupang to do research on the Timorese perspective or idea about God the Almighty based on local beliefs. They are waiting for local benefactors to support such research.
2. He continues to regularly collect oral traditions from several places of east and west Timor.
3. He continues to do long-term research about the origins of Nusantara (Indonesian) and linking it to Melanesian seed and Oceanian perspective.

**Jacek Jan Pawlik**

Pawlik is professor and Chair of Family Sciences in the Faculty of Theology in Olsztyn since 2008.

Publications

1. Afrykańska rzeźba figuralna w procesie uzdrawiania, (African figural sculpture in healing process) w: E. Prądzynska, A. Szczepańska-Dudziak, L. Buchalik (red.), Afryka – pasja życia.

Tom jubileuszowy dedykowany dr. hab. Jackowi Łapottowi prof. US w 70. rocznicę urodzin, Muzaum Miejskie w Żorach, Żory 2019, s. 139-149.

2. Transformation of Funeral Rituals in Togo, w: Helaine Selin, Robert M. Rakoff (eds.), *Death Across Cultures. Death and Dying in Non-Western Cultures*, Springer, Cham CH, s.207-224.
3. Religia przeżywana (Lived religion), "Roczniki Teologiczne KUL" LXVI, z. 9, s.79-91.
4. Tożsamość regionalna a postrzeganie świata. Paul Joachim Schebesta – niestrudzony badacz ludów niskorosłych, (Regional identity and perception of the world. Paul Joachim Schebesta – indefatigable researcher of short-statured people) "Łódzkie Studia Etnograficzne" t. 58, s. 227-246.
5. Władza i zmiana. Antropologia polityczna Georges'a Balandiera (Power and Change. Political Anthropology of Georges Balandier), w: M. Ząbek (red.), *Antropologia polityczna w Afryce*, Wyd UW, Warszawa, s.93-112.
6. Kosmiczne i społeczne wymiary zdomowienia się w przestrzeni. Przykład acefalicznego ludu Konkomba z Ghany i Togo (Cosmic and social aspects of appropriation of space. Example of acephalous people of Konkomba) "Journal of Urban Ethnology" t. 17, s.293-306.
7. Strukturalne przemiany rodziny w Afryce Subsaharyjskiej w dobie nowoczesności (Structural changes of family in Sub-Saharan Africa), "Studia Elbląskie" t. 20, s. 301-312.

Conference papers

1. Warsaw – University of Card. Stefan Wyszyński; Conference: Catholic Church in Dialogue with Religions; paper: Anthropological basis of dialogue.
2. Olsztyn – Institute of Political Studies; Conference: Religion and Politics in Africa; paper: Death of King and continuity of power in precolonial Africa.
3. Sankt Augustin – Philosophisch-Theologische Hochschule; Conference: Marriage and Family in Different Cultures and Religions; paper: Structural changes of Family in Sub-Saharan Africa.
4. Chłudowo – Novitiate SVD; Conference: Christianity and Christians in contemporary world (SVD with Institute of International Relations, Warsaw University); paper. Christian Messianism as source of African nationalism.
5. Pecs (Hungary) – University of Pecs; Conference: CEE – A Region In-Between (24th Annual Conference of Central European Political Science Association); paper: The Place of Religion in Investigations of Political Anthropology
6. Olsztyn – Faculty of Theology with Faculty of Environmental Management and Agriculture; Conference: The Struggle for Space. Landscape, Society and Culture in Sustainable Development of Towns; paper: Arena to win. Street in African town as space of encounter, movement and life
7. Warsaw – University of Card. Stefan Wyszyński; Conference: Centenary of Mission House St. Adalbert in Pieniężno; paper. Tradition Anthropos in formation and scientific activity of Mission Seminary in Pieniężno
8. Cracow – Polish Academy of Science; Lecture: Pygmies in human sciences and politics – mixture of reality and myth.

**Francis Pereira**

Pereira did the following teaching.

1. Eschatology for third-year theology students of Morning Star Seminary, Kolkata, West Bengal.
2. Theological Anthropology for the second- and third-year theology students of KJM.
3. Introduction to Theology at Khristo Jyoti Mohavidyaloy (KJM), the Interdiocesan Regional Theologate of Odisha at Sambalpur, Odisha.
4. Tribal theology to the fourth-year theology students at KJM, Sambalpur, Odisha.
5. Tribal Culture to theology students at Samanvaya CMI Theologate at Kolchoor, Chhattisgarh state.
6. Tribal Theology to theology students of St. Charles Seminary, Nagpur in state of Maharashtra.
7. Guided two theological dissertations of third year theology students in the year 2019.

Other activities:

1. Organized a seminar for formators and vocation promoters of the six dioceses of Odisha.
2. Conducted common evaluation of the diaconate ministry of three deacons of three Catholic dioceses of Odisha at Shanti Niwas, Bilaspur, Chhattisgarh.
3. Prepared Formation Manual for Odisha as the Regional Secretary of the Regional Commission for Vocations, Seminaries, Clergy and Religious and presented to the Council of Regional Bishops.

**Joachim Piepke**

Piepke is on the editorial team for the *Anthropos* journal and for the review of articles for the *Anthropology and Mission* publication.

**Dariusz Piwowarczyk**

Piwowarczyk, as the Editor-in-Chief of the *Anthropos* journal, published the two issues of volume 114 of 2019.

Publications:

1. "National Civil Religion in the German Empire (1871-1918)". *Roczniki Teologiczne* 66/9: 93-108.
2. Book Review: Breitinger, Jan C.: Zwischen Nutzung und Niedergang. Der Lake Victoria als Ressource in Wissenschaft, Kolonial und Entwicklungspolitik, 1927–1988, *Anthropos* 114(2): 571f.

Editorial work:

1. *Anthropos* 114: 2019 (containing 33 articles on 420 pages)
2. *Anthropos- Special Issue: Znoj and Zurschmitten* (eds): „Churches, Mission and Development on the Post-Colonial Era“ (7 articles on 160 pages).

Teaching:

1. Two block lectures offered at the Jagiellonian University in Cracow, Poland in March and May 2019: "Early Modern Ethnographic Collections in German Lands" and "World Exhibitions as Examples of the Modern Gaze."
2. Course offered at the Philosophisch-Theologische Hochschule SVD in Sankt Augustin, Germany: "Impact of Local Cultures on Christianity in Historical and Geographical Perspective."

Conference paper:

"Transformation of African Family in the Colonial Context of German Togo": Paper delivered at the conference "Marriage and Family in Different Cultures and Religions", Sankt Augustin, Germany.

### **Alexander Rödlach**

Rödlach is Associate Professor in Medical Anthropology and Psychiatry at Creighton University in Omaha, USA, where he teaches courses in medical anthropology, global and public health, and assessment and evaluation. Since June 2019, he is the Chair of the Department of Cultural and Social Studies.

#### Research

1. He is currently finalizing a book manuscript based on several years of ethnographic and mixed methods research with nurses and health ministers in faith communities in the Omaha metropolitan area. The working title is *Transforming Lives: Health Initiatives in Faith Communities*.
2. He is also working with others on an edited volume on the use of Liberation Theology's accompaniment approach in research.
3. Six more scholarly projects are in the brainstorming stage.

#### Publications

1. Together with Roos Willems (Catholic University of Leuven) and Andrew Nelson (University of North Texas), he published with Lexington Books an edited volume on refugee resettlement, *The Crux of Refugee Resettlement: Rebuilding Social Networks*. This volume includes a book chapter discussing social capital in refugee resettlement that he authored with a group of faculty members and students from Creighton university.
2. Together with Denise Lewis (University of Georgia), he edited an issue of *Migration Letters* on resilience and wellbeing in forced migration. The issue includes his article on refugee health and religion. This article resulted in a request by Boston University's online *Public Health Post* to write a brief article on this topic, which was published in August 2019.
3. Alex also published a book review in *Anthropos* on an edited issue of *Curare*, which is a Festschrift for the psychiatrist/physician/anthropologist Schroeder, and another book review in *Anthropos* on Biruk's book on Cooking Data.

#### Lectures and Conference Papers

1. He has been invited to give guest lectures in various Creighton schools on intercultural competence, such as the School of Dentistry and the Christian Spirituality Program, as well as Karoli Gaspar University in Budapest, Hungary.
2. He gave a paper at the annual conference of the Society for Applied Anthropology, titled "Reflections on Research and Accompaniment with Karenne Refugees in Omaha."
3. Together with two professors in Creighton's College of Nursing and the Director of Student Counseling, he co-teaches a study abroad program in Austria and Hungary that has become very popular with students. During two weeks in Europe, the students will also stay for a few days in St. Gabriel's Gabrium.
4. He has also designed a new program of study - Global Health Equity - which was recently approved by the administration and will be offered for the first time in the spring semester of 2020.

#### Other Activity

He has been coordinating efforts to host the New

Year's festival of the Karenne community in Omaha on Creighton's campus, which was held in April 2019. This festival is centered around a white-washed, wooden pole representing the traditional cosmology of the Karenne, who are originally from Myanmar and who resettled in Omaha. The university agreed that the community can keep the pole on the campus grounds, anchoring the community locally. The festival will again be held at Creighton in 2020.

### **Roger Schroeder**

Schroeder holds the Louis J. Luzbetak, SVD Chair of Mission and Culture and is Professor of Intercultural Studies and Ministry at Catholic Theological Union at Chicago (CTU). He is the co-chair of the SVD-SSpS Resource Committee on Interculturality (RCI).

#### Publications:

1. "Steps Toward Reconciliation: The CTU-Lakota Relationship." In *The Church and Indigenous Peoples in the Americas*, edited by Michel Andraos, 160-173. Eugene, OR: Cascade Books, 2019.
2. "Foreword" for: Prior, Randall. *Contextualizing Theology in the South Pacific: The Shape of Theology in Oral Cultures*. Eugene, OR: PICKWICK Publications, 2019. Pp. xi-xii.
3. One of three Associate Editors of the *International Bulletin of Mission Research*.

#### Conference organization and lectures:

1. Chaired the organization team of a two-week international interculturality program (in four languages) in Rome for 180 religious women, that was sponsored by the International Union of Superiors General (UISG). He gave the following presentations: "Theology of Interculturality and Prophetic Dialogue," "Intercultural Journey of the Early Church," and (with Adriana Milmanda, SSpS) "Spirituality of Interculturality." He also co-facilitated exercise on the "Intercultural Conflict Style Inventory."
2. As the 2019 President of the Midwest Mission Studies Fellowship (MMSF), he organized the annual MMSF one-day conference on "Pope Francis and Mission" at CTU.
3. Delivered the following lectures during the two-day conference of the Marian Rusecki Memorial Lectures on the theme of "Maximum Illud, Evangelii Gaudium, and the Amazonian Synod" at John Paul II Catholic University, in Lublin, Poland: "Mission, Culture, and the SVD *Anthropos* Tradition," "Interculturality and Prophetic Dialogue in the 21st Century," and "Entering Someone Else's 'Garden': A case study from Papua New Guinea."
4. Organized the annual Louis J. Luzbetak, SVD, Mission and Culture lecture at CTU with Michael Rynkiewich, "Research, Practice, and Training: The Challenge of Mission in an Increasingly Mobile and Complex World."

#### Other activities

1. Directed two completed Doctor of Ministry theses-projects and one MA in Theology thesis.
2. Served as an external examiner for a PhD thesis of Michael Bowden, entitled "Searching Altyerre to Reveal the Cosmic Christ: A contribution to the dialogue between the ancient Altyerre imaginary

and Christianity," through the University of Divinity, Melbourne, Australia.

3. Schroeder taught a five-day On-going Formation and Theology course (translation in English, Mongolian, and Korean) on "Mission Theology, History, and Practice" in Mongolia for fifty participants (two-thirds missionaries and one-third Mongolian lay pastoral workers),

#### **Djalma Antônio da Silva**

Da Silva is the Director/President of Anthropos do Brasil. [See the institutional report below.] He had the following professional activities in 2019:

1. From February to May, once a month, he gave missiology classes for lay missionary formation at Christ the Redeemer Parish in Laranjeiras, Rio de Janeiro.
2. From July until November, he gave the same course for lay missionaries once a month in the Parish of St. Sebastian in the city of Barra Mansa state of Rio de Janeiro.
3. He gave a talk to the Laity in the SVD District of Rio de Janeiro, in the city of Barra Mansa, entitled "Lay Christians in the Church and Society" (CNBB document 105)
4. He gave a lecture at CES - JF Faculty of Philosophy and Theology, entitled: "Mission and new spiritualities in contemporary society."

#### **Ignatius Soreng**

Soreng is Director of Sanskruti Kendra – Tribal Cultural and Research Centre in Panaspara, Sundargarh, Odisha, India (INE). See the institutional report below for his activities.

#### **Janet Florine Tellis**

Tellis is finishing a three-year assignment in Paraguay in April 2020. She has been involved in language and cultural learning and ministry, and studying interculturality in the Latin American context. In reflecting on her experience and the article "Anthropology and Mission: The Incarnational Connection" by Darrell Whiteman, she wrote: "One of his seven ways that anthropology can help in the mission is: Anthropology focuses on the elements in human interaction that relate to communication. It helps us appreciate the need to learn in depth the language of the people, and to recognize that most communication is more non-verbal than verbal."

#### Intercultural activities

She conducted the following programs on "Interculturality and Mission as SSpS": 3-day workshop for PANAM novices; 3-day workshop for PANAM Postulants.

### **Reports of Corporate Members**

#### **Anthropos Institute Sankt Augustin**

Anthropos Institute member Stanislaw Grodż is the Director of Anthropos Institut, Sankt Augustin, and the following AI members also work there: Vincensius Adi Gunawan, Othmar Gächter, Günther

Gessinger, Joachim Piepke, and Darius Piwowarczyk. The extensive list of publications is described above (p. 2) under "Publications of the Institute." The activities undertaken by individual AI members are listed in their personal reports.

1. Years ago the Institute started a **benefactors-sponsored project of gift-subscriptions of the journal**. Thanks to these specific donations we have been able send the journal to some interested academic institutions worldwide that could not afford the subscription. However, the number of donors is declining. In 2019 only 12 gift-subscriptions were possible (apart from the gratis issues sent out from the Institute).

2. A number of **scholars** from various countries **visited the Institute**. Some used its library and archive facilities for research. The special interest in Gusinde's materials continues.

\* Prof. Alejandra Regúnaga (La Pampa University, Argentina) continued her linguistic research on the Yagan, Haus und Selk'nam languages from the *Gusinde Archives* for several months.

\* Jan Hasselberg, a Norwegian free-lance photographer and scholar contacted us over his project of "repatriation of photos" to PNG.

\* Jean-Hugo Ihl, a history student from *Heidelberg Universität*, consulted material from *Gusinde Archives*.

\* A number of requests were received to authorise public use of Gusinde's photos (from Latin America, France and the US). All of them were redirected to *Éditions Xavier Barral* that still manages the matter for a next couple of years.

#### **3. The website**

The updating of the Anthropos Institute International (AII) Webpage had only a very limited success. Only a few AII members responded to the invitation to have their academic profile presented on the Anthropos Webpage. The "Heritage" section still offers rich possibilities of cooperation /contribution (**the members are welcome to send in material about the earlier work of the Institute and its departed members**).

#### **+++++ NOTE OF CLARIFICATION:**

At the moment the official Statutes of Anthropos Institute recognize only full corporate association. However, we also acknowledge and include here the important efforts in 2016 of the following institutions dedicated to the study of culture and religion which carry out the Anthropos tradition of our Society, even though they are not full corporate members as of yet. Each of these institutes have some SVD affiliation, though several are presently not officially recognized by the SVD Generalate. One or more SVD are working in each of these centers, of whom many are currently members of Anthropos Institute.

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#### **Aditya Wacana Centre**

Missiologist Raymundus Sudhiarsa, SVD, is the Director of Aditya Wacana Centre for Studies of Religion and Culture in Malang, Indonesia (IDJ),

and also rector of the ‘Surya Wacana’ SVD Major Seminary located just across the Centre. Other members of the Centre include Peter Bruno Sarbini (Islamologist) and Venantius Supriyono (Master in Sacra Scriptura). Associate members are Kristo Bala, Markus Situmorang, and Donatus Sermada. All members of the Centre are lecturers in the ‘Widya Sasana’ School of Philosophy and Theology, Malang, East Java. Besides their teaching, they also participate in the publication of the Institute’s journal, *Perspektif* (published twice a year, in June and December).

#### Particular activities of the Staff

Sermada spent a semester leave in Sankt Augustin, Germany, during the second half of the year 2019. Sudhiarsa conducted two sets of workshops on Maximum Illud in Malaysia, and he participated in a Mission Congress on the occasion of Celebrating the Centenary of Maximum Illud in Jakarta. As a participant in the International Joint Conference on ‘Doing Theology in Contemporary Indonesia: Interdisciplinary Perspectives’ held at the School of Theology, Sanata Dharma University, Yogyakarta, Sudhiarsa gave a response to the Keynote Address of Felix Wilfred, who presented a paper entitled ‘Asian Theological Ferment’. Throughout 2019, in collaboration with two colleagues from the ‘Widya Karya’ Catholic University, Malang, namely Diah Imaningrum Susanti and Rini Susrijani, Sudhiarsa has been completing a field research on ‘Ekspresi Budaya Tradisional dan Hak Kekayaan Intelektual’ (Expression of Traditional Culture and Intellectual Property Right). The finding of the research should be published by January 2020.

#### **Anthropos do Brasil**

Anthropos Institute member Djalma Antônio da Silva is the Director/President of Anthropos do Brasil. In 2019, members of the Institute met twice to develop a formation project for SVD new missionaries from Brazil Sub-zone. The project was prepared by the team at the Anthropos Assembly that took place on October 26th in Laranjeiras, Rio de Janeiro and was presented to the Provincials and Regional at the Assembly of the Brazil Sub-Zone in São Paulo on November 20th.

#### **Institute of Indian Culture**

AI member S.M. Michael is the Director of the Institute of India Culture in Mumbai, India. AI member M.T. Joseph is also works here. The Institute of Indian Culture (IIC) has been updating itself by digitalizing some of the rare and important books. The Archive Department of the Government of India has been financing part of this project.

#### Collaboration and programming

Institute’s collaboration with other academic institutions in Mumbai continues. Academic staff of the Institute are involved in animation programmes and regular lectures in several colleges and seminaries in the country. IIC organized several Intercultural workshops for teachers and for the general public. The Institute has also entered into an MOU with the SNDT Women’s University, Churchgate, Mumbai for undertaking joint research projects. The Institute is also collaborating with the

Bombay Archdiocesan Commission for Inter-Religious Dialogue. It organizes a One Year Diploma Course on “Basics in Inter-Religious Dialogue” for the teachers and Lay Catholics.

#### Publication

The Institute published the January and June 2019 issue of *Institute of Indian Culture News and Views* (Vol. 69, no. 1 & 2).

Also see the individual reports above of S.M. Michael.

#### **Melanesian Institute**

Br. Martin Tnines, SVD, is the Director. The Melanesian Institute (MI) is an Ecumenical social and Educational Institute administered by PNG and SI mainline churches (Catholic, Evangelical Lutheran, United and Anglican), that serves the people of Melanesia through Research, Publication and Education.

#### **Nanzan Anthropological Institute**

Prof. Goto Akira, who was trained in Ethno-Archeology at Hawai’i University, is the Director of the **Nanzan Anthropological Institute, which celebrated its 70th anniversary (1949-2019)**. The journal *Asian Ethnology (AE)* is now being published under the Nanzan Anthropological Institute. Also see the individual report above of AI member Roger Vanzila Munsu, who is a member of the Nanzan Anthropological Institute.

#### **Sanskriti -- North Eastern Institute of Cultural Research**

AI member Jose Kuzhikkattuthazhe is the Director of Sanskriti—North Eastern Institute of Cultural Research (NEICR) in Guwahati, India (ING). The Assistant Director, Fr. Manoj Antony SVD has submitted his doctoral thesis and is waiting for his defense in the early part of 2020.

#### Publications and networking

In 2019, the Institute made important contacts with a few more institutions of higher learning. This has opened up vistas for collaborating seminars and edited volumes of national importance. Two books have been published based on previous seminars.

*Syncretism in India: Cultural and Religious Perspectives, and Customary Law as Discourse: NE in Context..* Members of the Institute, in collaboration with various universities and select scholars, are in the process of preparing a number of contemporary volumes pertaining to the nation and NE India.

The Institute is committed to attending conferences in other SVD research institutes when possible. As a long standing desire and plan, it is in the process of networking with various anthropological research institutions owned and managed by SVD in India.

#### Conferences

In 2019 Sanskriti-North Eastern Institute of Cultural Research, Guwahati organized the 13th consecutive annual national conference. The 14<sup>th</sup> annual conference was held on January 21-22, 2020, on “Inter-Community Linkages: Socio Cultural Milieu of Manipur,” at the Pastoral Centre in Imphal, Manipur. About 30 professors and scholars are expected to present data based papers with special

reference to the state of Manipur which had seen unrest and even violence for a long period of thirty years and more.

### **Sanskriti – Institute of Dravidian Culture and Research**

Anthropos Institute member Lazar Gnanaprakasam is the Director of *Sanskriti* – Institute of Dravidian Culture and Research (IDCR) in Hyderabad, India. 1. On February 1-2, 2019, the Institute conducted its 6th National Seminar on, " Women among the Marginalized Communities of India: Issues and Challenges" Over 300 members participated and 30 papers were presented. The 6th book (350 pages), and the 5th Journal were released by the prominent anthropologists of the State. 2. On March 2-3, 2019 the Institute also conducted a Workshop for the "Plight of Unorganized Migrant Workers - A Sociological Study" This was in collaboration with the Catholic Bishops Conference of India (CBCI). This report is with the Ministry of Labour for further verification. 3. The 7<sup>th</sup> annual conference was held on January 31 and February 1, 2020.

### **Sanskriti Kendra – Tribal Cultural and Research Centre**

Anthropos Institute member Ignatius Soreng is Director of Sanskriti Kendra, Panaspara, Sundargarh, India.. The rest of the staff consists of Andreas Kerketta SVD (Assistant Director cum Treasurer) and two Assistants—Valentine Soreng and Amar Raj Burh.

#### Programs:

##### **1. Raising Tribal Writers' Program**

This new venture aimed to raise writers from among the tribal youth and students. Since tribal people do not normally express themselves for the open society to know and observe them, the effort was to initiate the habit of writing among them and create a platform where they can find assistance for their expression. After months, 300 poems written by tribal people were gathered, from which 140 were selected and printed as a book titled *The First Step*. Poems were written in nine languages. The book was released at the well-attended tribal literary festival in January 2019.

2. Indigenous People's day and Anniversaries of Tribal Heroes was hosted by Sanskriti Kendra. These four celebrations are yearly programs that attract very good response.

3. The Light House Conference, which was held on 20th October, 2019, brought together 18 lecturers, Professors, and Researchers to discuss six research papers.

4. Tribal Cultural Dance Festival in 2019 had thirteen kisan teams participating, including one from a neighboring state. Dances were well documented for reference.

##### **5. Tribal Research on Kisan Tribe**

From the 62 tribal groups in the State of Odisha. Sanskriti Kendra focused its research in 2019 on the Kisan tribe.

### **Tamale Institute of Cross-Cultural Studies**

The new Director of the Tamale Institute of Cross-

Cultural Studies (TICCS) in Ghana is Phanuel Myers Agudu, SVD. The senior staff of the Institute are Agudu, Director; Dr. Dominic Amonzem, Administrator; Br. Bruno Yirzie, SVD, Procurator/Guest House Manager. Resource persons from the University for Development Studies (UDS), St. Victor's Major Seminary and other Institutions regularly support TICCS in carrying out its various programmes.

#### Programmes:

1. TICCS ran cross-cultural orientation courses for various groups of people. Basically, two types of programmes, in terms of duration, were organized during the year: a two-week and a four-week residential programmes. These cross-cultural orientation courses were geared toward preparing new missionaries, seminarians and development personnel for effective crosscultural immersion and pastoral ministry in various cultures of Ghana. Our programmes also helped in preparing some of the people going on mission outside of Ghana.

2. They also introduced the following new courses: Basic Accounting principles; project writing with local/indigenous knowledge as the basis; Safeguarding Policies for Children and Vulnerable Adults; Inculcation and African liturgy; Liturgy and Para-liturgical celebrations; Contemporary issues in Catholic Marriage in Ghana; Culture and Pentecostalism; and Contemporary Mission Approaches.

3. TICCS also hosted other partner institutions in Ghana and abroad by making available its facilities and grounds for their exchange programmes.

4. In January, two staff members from Fu Jen University, Taiwan, Attilio Rossi, SVD and Felliza SSpS, visited TICCS on a feasibility tour for a possible future collaboration between **Fu Jen University, Taiwan** and TICCS. As a result, in June a team of nine (9) students and five (5) Professors from Fu Jen University visited TICCS for a two-week cultural exchange programme.

#### Research

1. A team of researchers from Savannah State University, Georgia, USA visited TICCS to hold discussions with the staff over possible academic research collaboration between the two institutions.

2. Agudu and Dr. Amonzem also made some field trips to Sirigu, in the Kasena-Nankana East District of the Upper East Region, as part of their ethnographic research in view of publishing an article on "Spirit Child Phenomenon."

Consult the TICCS website for further information: <http://www.ticcsghana.org/>

### **Events**

#### Birthdays

In 2020, eight AI members celebrate birthdays of particular significance: Weiland (85), Zimon (80), Kirby (75), S.M. Michael (70), Kupisinski and Nawrot (65), and Foerster and Nawrot (60). *Ad multos annos* to all of you. By the way, Ennio Mantovani is our elder (88) and Carl Bulilan our youngest (41).

Jubilees

Congratulations to the following celebrating SVD vow anniversaries of particular significance in 2020: Mantovani (70), Bronk and Gessinger (65), and Gächter and Heisig (55). And to those celebrating

significant ordination anniversaries: Zimon (55), and Gächter and Gesch (50).

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