Friday 12 October 2018

00 - 17.00

Europe, a Mission Continent?

In 2018, it is 75 year since the French theologians Henri Godin and Yves Daniel published their book *La France. Pays de Mission* (Paris: Spes 1943). The book signified a break-through in European missiology. Mission was no longer defined in geographical terms, but in sociological terms. Mission was to be practiced everywhere, also in France. What is the significance of this book for today? Can Europe, the cradle of Christianity, be perceived of as a mission continent? If yes, what are the missionary challenges in Europe today, and how can missionaries cope with them?

NIM Symposium 2018

on the occasion of the 25th anniversary of the NIM Foundation

Location

Radboud University, Aula, Senaatszaal Comeniuslaan 2, 6525 HP Nijmegen, the Netherlands

PROGRAMME

13.30 - 14.00	Registration
14.00 - 14.10	Welcome and introduction, Prof. Dr Frans Wijsen, Professor of Religious studies and Mission studies at Radboud University, and Dean of its Faculty of Theology
14.10 - 14.50	Lecture by Prof. Dr Bryan Lobo SJ: 'A Faith that "breathes": A New Missionary Impetus for Europe'
14.50 - 15.30	Lecture by Prof. Dr Paul Steffen SVD: 'The Pastoral Mission of the Churches in Europe'
15.30 - 15.45	Break
15.45 - 16.30	Discussion
16.30 - 17.00	'25 years NIM: Retrospect and Prospect', Prof. Dr Eelke de Jong, Professor of International economy, and chairperson of NIM Foundation
17.00 - 17.30	Reception

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

Bryan Lobo SJ (India) is professor of Missiology and dean of the faculty of Missiology at the Pontifical Gregorian University in Rome. He serves as chair of the International Association of Catholic Missiologists.

Paul Steffen SVD (Germany) was a missionary and lecturer in Missiology in Papua New Guinea, Philippines and Germany. Presently he is professor of Missiology at the Pontifical Urban University in Rome.

Information / registration

Language medium: English. Participation is free, but enrolment by **5 October** at the latest is compulsory, preferably via e-mail: nim@nim.ru.nl

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