



**Invitation to online
NIM Symposium 2021
on
Laudato si' and Mission**

Date: **October 8, 2021**

Time: 13:30-17:00 CEST

Location: Zoom

Registration before October 5, 2021 at nim@nim.ru.nl. After registration participants will get a Zoom link.

Description

In 2020 it was five years ago that Pope Francis promulgated his encyclical *Laudato si'*. In this encyclical, the Pope called for a new dialogue in shaping the planet's future: "We need a conversation which includes everyone, since the environmental challenge we are undergoing, and its human roots, concern and affect us all" (*Laudato si'*, No. 14). In order to commemorate this jubilee, Cardinal Stefan Wyszyński University, Warsaw, Missio Aachen and Nijmegen Institute for Mission Studies organized a conference on *Laudato si'* and Mission. Various topics were discussed such as the historical background of *Laudato si'*, *Laudato si'* as a challenge for a missionary spirituality, socio-ethical perspectives of *Laudato si'*, and Interdisciplinary and interreligious perspectives of *Laudato si'*. The contributions are now published as European Mission Studies No. 3. In this NIM Symposium, we will present and discuss this new book and some other publications on religion and ecology that NIM was involved in.

Program

13:30-13:45 Welcome and opening

13:45-14:15 **Gerard Moorman**, *Laudato si' and Mission. A historical background*

14:15-14:45 **Klaus Vellguth**, *Eco-Spiritualities in Dialogue. Asian Theologies of Creation towards a Shared Responsibility for Creation*

14:45-15:15 Break

15:15-15:45 **Wojciech Kluj OMI**, *Ecological Conversion and Missions. Expressions of "Ecological Conversion" in Polish internet*

15:45-16:15 **Frans Wijzen**, *The Ecological Challenge as a Common Concern. Muslims and Christians in Indonesia*

16:15-16:45 Plenary discussion

16:45-17:00 Final reflections and closing

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European Mission Studies is edited by members of the International Association of Catholic Missiologists (IACM). Previous issues dealt with “Religious Plurality and Religious Identity” (2019), and “Mission in Europe” (2020). The next issue will deal with “Mission in times of Covid-19 and post-Covid-19”.