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# Pathways of Human Dignity: From Cultural Traditions to a New Paradigm

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Chair: **Marcus Düwell**, Ethics Institute, Utrecht Universiteit, NL  
Vice-Chair: **Guy Stroumsa**, Hebrew University, Jerusalem, IL

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# Final Programme

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## Wednesday, 31 October

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Late afternoon / early evening	Registration at the ESF-RC desk
19.00	Welcome Drink
20.00	Dinner

## Thursday, 1 November

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08.45-08.55	<b>Miklós Maróth</b> International Union of Academies, HU <i>Opening of the Conference</i>
08.55-09.15	<b>Marcus Düwell</b> Utrecht Universiteit, NL <i>Pathways to Dignity – Report of the Project and Introduction in the Conference</i>

## Session 1: Human Dignity in Religious Traditions

Chair: Miklós Maróth, International Union of Academies, HU

09.15-10.00	<b>Guy G. Stroumsa</b> Hebrew University, Jerusalem, IL <i>Overview over the Role of Human Dignity in Different Religious Traditions</i>
10.00-10.45	<b>Jens Braarvig</b> University of Oslo, NO <i>Human Dignity in Asian Traditions</i>
10.45-11.15	Coffee Break
11.15-12.00	<b>Pier Cesare Bori</b> University of Bologna, IT <i>Human Dignity: Pico della Mirandola and elsewhere</i>
12.00-12.45	<b>Knud Haakonssen</b> University of Sussex, UK <i>Protestant Natural Law and the Question of Rights</i>
13.00	Lunch

## Session 2: Human Dignity In Cultural Traditions

Chair: **Guy G. Stroumsa**, Hebrew University, Jerusalem, IL

14.30-15.15

**Peimin Ni**

Grand Valley State University, US

*Human Dignity as an Achievement – A Confucian Approach*

15.15-16.00

**Paulin J. Hountondji**

Université Nationale du Benin, Cotonou-Porto Novo, BJ

*Human Dignity in Oral Civilisations: some Theoretical and Methodological Issues*

16.00-16.30

Coffee Break

### Short Talks

16.30-16.50

**Ali Caksu**

Fatih University, Istanbul, TR

*Human Dignity in Anatolian Sufism: Secular-Humanist or Religious?*

16.50-17.10

**Mohammad Mahdi Mojahedi**

Mofid University, Qom, IR

*From Universalism to Universality of Human Rights: Prospects of a Paradigm Shift in the Relationship between Muslim Cultures and Human Rights (With Emphasis on the Iranian Case)*

17.10-17.30

**Hassan Rezaei**

MPI for Criminal Law, Freiburg, DE

*Understandings of Human Dignity in Islamic Criminal Theory and Iranian Post-Revolutionary Practice*

17.30-17.50

**Natalia Galeeva**

Tver State University, RU

*Dignity as a Concept and its Dynamics in the Russian Culture*

17.50-18.10

**Modestus Nnamdi Onyeaghalaji**

University of Ibadan, Agbowo, NG

*Human Dignity, Social Integration and Human Progress in Africa*

18.30

Dinner

### Evening Lecture

Chair: **Guy G. Stroumsa**, Hebrew University, Jerusalem, IL

20.30-21.30

UNESCO Lecture

**Mireille Delmas-Marty**

Collège de France, Paris, FR

*Dignité Humaine et Droits de l'Homme: vers un Univers Pluriel?*

**Friday, 2 November**

## Session 3: Human Dignity - Philosophical Perspectives

Chair: **Salvador Giner**, University of Barcelona, ES

09.00-09.45

**Marcus Düwell**

Utrecht Universiteit, NL

*Human Dignity and Current Challenges*

09.45-10.30

**Samuel Kerstein**

University of Maryland, US

*Respecting Persons: the Promise and Peril of a Kantian Approach*

10.30-11.00

Coffee Break

**Gesa Lindemann**

11.00-11.45

University of Oldenburg, DE

*Human Dignity in a Sociological Perspective*

11.45-12.30

**Ralf Stoecker**

University of Potsdam, DE

*How Much Dignity is in Human Dignity?*

12.45

Lunch

## Short Talks

**Chair: Chair: Rüdiger Klein, European Science Foundation, Strasbourg, FR**

14.15-14.35

**Johan Siebers**

University of London & University of Central Lancashire, UK

*Human Dignity in the European Rhetorical Tradition*

14.35-14.55

**Hannes Kuch**

Universität Trier, DE

*Force and Humiliation: Recognition, Symbolic Vulnerability and the Two Faces of Power in Hegels Master/Slave-Relation*

14.55-15.15

**Liubava Moreva**

UNESCO, Moscow, RU

*Collisions of Human Dignity: Reflections on Dynamics of Values in Contemporary Culture*

15.15-15.35

**Vasil Gluchman**

Presov University, SK

*Human Dignity and Non-Utilitarian Consequentialism*

15.35-15.55

**Robert Heeger**

Utrecht University, NL

*To care about the dignity of dependent animals*

15.55-16.15

**Rieke Van der Graaf**

University Medical Center, Utrecht, NL

*Making Sense of Human Dignity in Clinical Research*

16.15-16.45

Coffee Break

16.45-17.05

**Elaine Webster**

University of Edinburgh, UK

*Human Dignity and Degrading Treatment – Content, Roles and Relationships in the Jurisprudence of the European Court of Human Rights*

17.05-17.25

**Chamu Kuppuswamy**

University of Sheffield, UK

*Human Dignity and the Right to Development: Are the Two any Different?*

17.25-17.45 Jan-Willem van der Rijt  
University of Groningen, NL  
*Non-Domination, Dignity and Moral Views*

17.45-18.05 Christian Neuhäuser  
University of Potsdam, DE  
*Can humiliations be collective?*

18.05-18.25 Paulus Kaufmann  
University of Zurich, CH  
*Using people and human dignity*

19.30 Conference Dinner & Social Evening

### Saturday, 3 November

## Session 4: Human Dignity and Bioethics

Chair: Idriss Khalil, Royal Academy of Morocco, MA

09.00-09.45 Deryck Beyleveld  
Durham University, UK  
*Making sense of Human Dignity*

09.45-10.30 Gilbert Hottois  
Free University of Brussels, BE  
*Human Dignity as a Principle in Bioethics: a Critical Philosophical Approach*

10.30-11.00 Coffee Break

11.00-11.45 Peter Schaber  
Ethics Center, Zürich University, CH  
*Dignity of Creatures?*

11.45-12.30 Nikolaus Knoepffler  
Universität Jena, DE  
*Human Dignity and the Challenge of Organ Transplantation*

12.45 Lunch

## Session 5: Human Dignity and International Justice

Chair: Marcus Düwell, Utrecht Universiteit, NL

14.00-14.45 Bas de Gaay Fortman  
Utrecht University, NL  
*Human Dignity and International Law*

14.45-15.30 Salvador Giner  
Institute for Catalan Studies and University of Barcelona, ES  
*Civic Dignity: On the Internationalization of Citizenship*

15.30-16.15 Dietmar Mieth  
Universität Tübingen, DE  
*Human Dignity and Global Justice*

16.15-16.45 Coffee Break

16.45-17.30 Göran Collste  
Linköping University, SE  
*Global justice and human rights*

## Session 6: Future Research - Panel Presentations: Tasks of Future Research on Human Dignity

Chair: Rüdiger Klein, European Science Foundation, Strasbourg, FR

- 17.30-17.45      **Guy G. Stroumsa**  
Hebrew University, Jerusalem, IL
- 17.45-18.00      **Marcus Düwell**  
Utrecht Universiteit, NL
- 18.00-18.15      **Miklós Maróth**  
International Union of Academies, HU
- 18.15-19.00      Audience Discussion
- 19.15              Dinner

### Closing Speech

Chair: Miklós Maróth, International Union of Academies, HU

- 21.00-22.00      **Philippe Rattu**  
UNESCO, Paris, FR  
*Closing remarks on behalf of UNESCO's Assistant Director General for Culture*

### Sunday, 4 November

- 08.30              Breakfast & Departure

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