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# Protestantism between Nationalism and Cosmopolitanism

## #1 digital academy Nov. 21 - Febr. 22

The project consists of two parts: The Digital Academy is open for everybody who wants to learn more about Protestantism between Nationalism and Cosmopolitanism and discuss perspectives of Protestantism in Europe in digital evening lectures in winter semester 2021/2022. Participants who register by 1 November 2021 and take part in all events will receive a certificate.

However, you can also take part in individual meetings. You get the zoom link after registering on your homepage.

## #2 conference Vienna 11-14 May 2022

The Protestant Forum for Young Theology in Europe is a conference in presence in May 2022 in Vienna, to deepen and concentrate the results for further discussion in the European Protestant Churches. Applications for the conference in Vienna are only possible for registered participants of the Digital Academy, up to 35 years of age.

The conference in Vienna is being planned. Find the latest news on the conference on [www.young-theology.eu](http://www.young-theology.eu)



Many Protestant churches are currently experiencing changes that deeply affect their self-understanding, social status and internal structure. Public discourses in Europe are shaped more and more by nationalist positions. This has an impact not only political debates of the respective societies; it also challenges the Protestant churches as agents in these societies. On the one

hand, Protestant churches are rooted within their own historically and culturally moulded narratives. On the other hand, as Protestants they are part of a strong tradition (European Protestantism) and of worldwide Christianity. Which challenges arise for Protestant churches facing strengthening nationalisms? What significance do they attribute to their own national anchorage concerning their Protestant identity?

## digital academy

# 2021

- 1. Lecture:** 4 November, 18:00-20:00  
Church and Identity:  
Local congregation – national church – Europe.  
Theological and Sociological Aspects  
General Secretary Dr. Mario Fischer (CPCE)  
Lukas David Meyer (Ludwig-Maximilians-University Munich)
- 2. Lecture:** 18 November, 18:00-20:00  
The Variety of Christian Identities. Ecumenical Perspectives  
Prof. Dr. Stefan Tobler (ZETO, Sibiu) / N.N.
- 3. Lecture:** 2 December, 18:00-20:00  
Protestant Churches under the Influence of Nationalism.  
Historical Examples.  
Dr. Peter Morée (Charles University Prague, Protestant Theological Faculty)
- 4. Lecture:** 16 December, 18:00-20:00  
One Church and the Plurality of Languages and Ethnicities  
Dr. Stefan Cosoroaba (ZETO, Sibiu)

# 2022

- 5. Lecture:** 13 January 18:00-20:00  
Models of Lived Multiculturalism in Local Congregations  
Pastora Anne Zell (Chiesa evangelica valdese di Como) / Shari Brown
- 6. Lecture:** 27 January, 18:00-20:00  
Historical Continuity, New Beginnings and the Formation of Protestant Identity  
Principal Dr. Anton Tikhomirow (ELCROS) / KR Raphael Quandt (ELKB) / PD Dr. Nicole Grochowina (Friedrich-Alexander-University Erlangen-Nuremberg)
- 7. Lecture:** 10 February, 18:00-20:00  
Protestantism between Cosmopolitanism and Nationalism.  
Summary and Outlook  
Podium with representatives of the cooperating organisations (CPCE, EB, ZETO)

\*Find the detailed program on [www.young-theology.eu](http://www.young-theology.eu)

Open especially for young theologians, e.g. ministers, deacons, religious teachers, students of theology near their exam or in the qualification phase, pastors in training.

The preferred language is English and if papers are given in another language the presenters are asked to prepare an English summary.

### registration

until 1 November 2021  
[www.young-theology.eu](http://www.young-theology.eu)

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