

PROGRAM

of the international conference of the group “Reconciliation in Europe”

The theme: “Strategies of reconciliation. The role of the Churches in Ukraine”

(October 17-18, 2018)

October 17, 2018 (Wednesday)

3 p.m. – 8 p.m. – plenary session at the “Bratislava” hotel

3 p.m. – 4 p.m. – registration of participants

4 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. – **Greeting words from representatives of the Churches**

- Metropolitan Onufriy (Ukrainian Orthodox Church)
- Nuncio Archbishop Claudio Gugerotti (Holy See)
- Major Archbishop Sviatoslav Shevchuk (Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church)

4:30 p.m. – 6:20 p.m. – **main session**

- *Presentation of the group “Reconciliation in Europe”* (Volodymyr Bureha, member of the group from UOC)
- *Expectation of the society from the Church and interchurch relations* (Mykhailo Mishchenko, Razumkov-Centre)
- *Commitment of the Churches in Poland to reconciliation process in Europe. Examples of common witness* (Rev. Prof. Zygfryd Glaeser, University of Opole, Poland)
- *Common witness of Churches in Germany referring to social issues* (Dr. Dagmar Heller, Konfessionkundliches Institute, Bensheim, Germany)
- Discussion

6:20 p.m. – 8 p.m. – **buffet dinner**

October 18, 2018 (Thursday)

9:30 a.m.– 1 p.m. – plenary session at the “Bratislava” hotel

9:30 a.m. – 11 a.m. – **first session**

- *Presentation of the document “Strategies of peacebuilding”* (Rev. Andriy Nahirnyak, Caritas-Ukraine)
- *Challenges to freedom of religion and religious peace in the occupied territories of Eastern Ukraine* (Maksym Vasin, Institute for Religious Freedom)

- Discussion

11 a.m.-11:30 a.m. – coffee-break

11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m. – **second session**

- *Peace formula for the Orthodox jurisdictions of Ukraine* (Rev. George Kovalenko, Open Orthodox University Saint Sophia – The Wisdom, Kyiv)
- *The problem of authority in the inter-Orthodox relations Проблема авторитета в межправославных отношениях* (Sergii Bortnyk, Kyiv Theological Academy)
- Discussion

1 p.m. – 1:15 p.m. – *summing up the conference* (Volodymyr Bureha)

1:15 p.m. – 2:15 p.m. – buffet-lunch

From 3:30 p.m. – additional program for the members of the group “Reconciliation in Europe” and foreign guests