

INTERNATIONAL SUMMIT EDUCATION AT THE CROSSROADS



How a Society's Understanding of the Human Being and its Educational System Correlate

Viewing the system of education as a reflection of the prevailing sociopolitical paradigm allows us to draw conclusions about the image of man that dominates mainstream society. A well-founded discussion on education requires an assessment of the situation that reaches deep into the foundations of life. If life is no longer a gift, then it is replaced by "doing"; if life is no longer a gift, then a "wanting to have" takes its place. But everything that is made can also be destroyed.

Focus on Skills versus Formation of the Person

The classical humanistic principle of education, based on the formation of the whole person, is being replaced by an orientation towards skills in order to be compatible with the Internet and the economy. Thus, this classical principle of education is being overwritten by a technology-based system. One would think that the main goal of learning is to maximize production and consumption competency and the ability to work in groups so as to form a generation that is easily integrated into the world of work and that is politically assimilated. Education – to perceive life, human beings, reality – is no longer seen as a value in itself. Education serves merely to acquire competencies that make a person a functioning part of society, of the economy. The more the Christian-humanistic image of the human being disintegrates, the more the classical concept of education also disintegrates.

Friday, May 5, 2023

8.45 h: Registration opens

9.30 h: Welcome

Prof. Dr. Christiaan Alting von Geusau, Rector

Opening remarks

3 Representatives of Public Institutions

10.00 h: Opening Lecture

"Familie – Schule – Gesellschaft: Wer Rettet Uns aus der Bildungskrise?" Univ. Prof. Dr. Wolfgang Mazal

11.15 h: Coffee break

11.45 h: Kunst und Schönheit: "Widerstand gegen die Große Entzauberung" Dr. Johannes Hartl, Theologian, Gebetshaus Augsburg

ca. 13.00 h: Lunch in the Schloss

14.30 h: Bildung in Totalitären Systemen

Von der Indoktrination, Anpassung und Formatierung zu Kritikfähigkeit, Herzensbildung und Kreativität

Dr. Gudula Walterskirchen, Historian and Journalist, Vienna

15.15 h: Coffee break

ca. 15.45 Uhr - 17.00 h: Panel

Moderation: Dr. Maria Harmer, ORF-Journalist

Schulen als Spielball von Ideologien: Sind Bildungsideale noch Gefragt? Heidi Burkhart (Stella International School, Vienna), Andreas Salcher (Co-

founder of the Sir Karl Popper School, Vienna), **Gabriele Rapp** (Digital Health, Luxembourg), **Thomas Kubelik** (Stiftsgymnasium Melk), **Andrea Pinz** (Schulamtsleitung, Archdiocese of Vienna)

ca. 17.00 h: Coffee break

17.30 h: Integrating Collectives into Education: An Agenda for Human Flourishing

Dr. Peter Kahn, Professor of Digital Education, University of Manchester

19.00 h: Cold buffet, snacks, and drinks

Film screening and discussion

Saturday, May 6, 2023

9.30 h: Greeting

H.E. Cardinal Christoph Schönborn, ITI Grand Chancellor, Archbishop of Vienna

9.45 h: Universities Today: Technocracy and Truth

Dr. Edward Hadas, Fellow of Blackfriars Hall, Oxford

10.45 h: Coffee break

11.15 h: Geschlecht: Zugang zum Leben

Kann man zum Mannsein/Frausein erziehen?

Prof. Dr. Hanna Barbara Gerl-Falkovitz, Philosophy of Religion, Ratzinger Laureate, Philosophical-Theological University of Benedict XVI, Heiligenkreuz near Vienna

Questions

13.00 h: Lunch in the Schloss

15.00 h: Jüdische Geistesgröße: Ergebnis einer Bildungstradition

Bildung aus jüdischen Quellen vorgestellt: Martin Buber – Abraham Heschel Prof. Dr. Bernhard Dolna, Judaist and Theologian ITI Dean, Trumau Questions

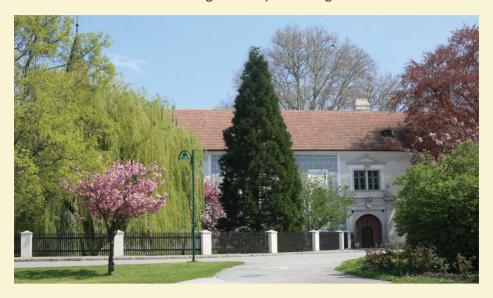
16.30 h: Coffee break

17.00 h: Closing Words and Future Prospects

The Congested Crossroads of Education: What Are Our Choices?

Prof. Dr. Christiaan Alting von Geusau, Rector

Note: Program is subject to change



Conference fees

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