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From the desk of the coordinator

In the words of former Superior General Antonio Pernia, the **Anthropos Institute (AI) should “act as the guardian of the Anthropos tradition of the Society”** (*VERBUM SVD* 45, 1 (2004), 34). This issue of *Interlink* presents the 2018 activities of AI individuals and various institutions, dedicated to the social and religious sciences, within the global network of Anthropos Institute (AI). These efforts contribute to the continuation of the Anthropos tradition of the Arnoldus family.

The newly-elected SVD Superior General Paulus Budi Kleden and his General Council appointed the following to the **Coordinating Council of Anthropos Institute International** until the end of triennium of 2019-2021: Roger Schroeder (USC) as Coordinator; Stanislaus Grodz (GER) and Michael Sebastian Maria (INM) as the other two members of the Council. They held their first meeting (via Skype) on January 26, 2019. Their agenda included a clarification of the current emeritus membership procedure and the development of a three-year plan for the new Coordinating Council's triennium. The latter focused on updating of the AI website housed at St. Augustin, Germany, encouraging zonal and sub-zonal gathering of AI members, when feasible, and better communication of AI-related news items. The Coordinator will be providing members with more details on some these matters.

During 2018, International Coordinator Schroeder was able to meet personally with the AI members Kisala (ROM), Michael (INM), and Kirby (USW), and he conducted a Skype meeting on updating the AI website in August 2018 with Stanislaus Grodz and Alexander Rödlach.

A number of AI members continued in 2018 to be involved with the follow-up for the **2012 SVD General Chapter**, “From Every Nation, People and Language: Sharing Intercultural Life and Mission.” Of particular note, the generalate-approved ten-person **Resource Committee for Interculturality (RCI)** includes five AI members: Philip Gibbs (PNG), Jon Kirby (USW), S.M. Michael (INM), Alexander Rödlach (USC), and Roger Schroeder (USC).

As reported last year, several AI and other RCI members contributed to a jointly-sponsored SVD and SSps **workshop on “Interculturality and Formation”** in Nemi in 2017 for thirty formation personnel from the two congregations. The reports of the activities by these participants were collated in 2018 by the liaison persons in their respective generalates—Mark Weber, SVD, and Maria Cristina, SSps. This material was used in assessing the next steps in implementing the new **resolution on interculturality (1.1.6) of the 2018 General Chapter**. Some AI and RCI members will be involved in these new joint SVD/SSps interculturality programs, especially in the areas of Spirituality and Formation. This includes further development of the spirituality of interculturality project. In December 2017, the revised and edited 130-page booklets of the eight day (sixteen module) retreat material in both English and Spanish were published on the two generalate websites. See: <http://svdcuria.org/members/ajsc/20nn/1710ic/1710ic.pdf>

In terms of **publications**, the following five AI members had contributed to the 2015 two-volume set of *Intercultural Living* and *Intercultural Mission*, co-edited by SVDs Lazar Stanislaus and Martin Ueffing: Gibbs, Kirby, Kisala, Michael, and Schroeder. Since then, selected articles from the two volumes were published in single volumes in Spanish by SVD publishers Editorial Verbo Divino in 2017 and in English by Orbis Books in 2018.

In 2018 RCI members and other SVD and SSps resource persons in interculturality greatly extended their work in intercultural living and mission to many **other men's and women's religious congregations** around the world.

As for **AI membership**, the bio-anthropologist Josef Glinka died on August 30, 2018 in Indonesia after many years of dedicated service to the work of Anthropos Institute. He became an AI member in 1963. **There are now thirty-nine full members, one emeritus, and six associate members for a total of forty-six Anthropos Institute members.** An updated list has been posted under “Official Members” on the Anthropos Institute page of the SVD curia website.

AI members are strongly encouraged to submit articles and write book reviews for the *Anthropos* journal. If interested, contact our editor Darius Piwowarczyk at editorial@anthropos.eu. The homepage of Anthropos Institute on the SVD Curia website (<http://www.svdcuria.org>) provides general information, and more complete material is on the website in Sankt Augustin <http://www.anthropos.eu>.

The Anthropos Institute International list server, established at Creighton University, USA, offers a possibility for the exchange of ideas among AI members. If you wish to add your name, go to the site by either clicking on the URL below or by copying and pasting it into your web browser: <http://lists.creighton.edu/mailman/listinfo/anthropos>. You will receive a notification of that registration. Direct any technical questions to Alexander Rödlach at AlexanderRodlach@creighton.edu.

Please contact me, regarding any business related to the international network of Anthropos Institute at rschroeder@ctu.edu

Best wishes for 2019!

Roger Schroeder, SVD
International Coordinator of Anthropos Institute

Publications of the Institute

The official publications of the Institute are entrusted to the Editorial Board at Anthropos Institute St. Augustin. Darius Piwowarczyk serves as Editor-in-Chief, and the editorial team consists of the following AI members: Vinsensius Adi Gunawan, Othmar Gächter, Stanislaus Grodz, and Joachim Piepke.

From the beginning of 2018 NOMOS Verlag based in Baden-Baden is our new publisher (Academia Verlag is its branch). The change came as a sudden necessity when we learnt *post factum* in January 2018 that our former long-time publisher (Academic Press Fribourg/Paulus Verlag) had ceased its publishing activities from 1st January 2018. Despite the tumultuous beginning of the year the negotiations with NOMOS were positively concluded and the usual two issues of the journal were published and sent out to the subscribers.

The two volumes of *Anthropos* 2018 (113th year) with 828 pages offer 28 articles, 7 reports and commentaries, and 114 book reviews. In addition to the extensive work of the five AI members of the editorial team, AI Associate member Josef Thiel wrote “Hermann Hoheggar – Missionar und Ethnologe im Kongo (1931-2009) (pp. 685-690); AI members Othmar Gächter (pp. 720-721), Jacek Jan Pawlik (pp. 708-710), and Vinsensius Adi Gunawan (pp. 731-733) each wrote a book review. Book reviews were written on works by two SVD authors:

Karl Josef Rivinus, *Bildungsoffensive. P. Wilhelm Schmidt SVD in Ostasien*. Siegburg; Frans Schmitt Verlag, 2016 (pp. 754-756); Polykarp Ulin Agan, ed. *Pentekostalismus – Pfingskirchen*. Siegburg; Frans Schmitt Verlag, 2017 (pp. 764-765). Finally, Darius Piwowarczyk wrote the article “Examining the Nazca Lines” under the “Miscellanies” section (pp. 775-778).

The section of “Zeitschriftenschau” is a rich resource with the titles of articles from an impressive list of over 140 journals specialized especially in the field of social and religious sciences. It is a great service made possible through the Anthropos Institute’s library at St. Augustin. *Anthropos* is still available on JSTOR. In addition NOMOS Verlag gives the subscribers access to the electronic version of the journal via its eLibrary (see more at: <http://www.anthropos.eu/anthropos>).

In terms of the *Studia Instituti Anthropos* series, Segundo E. Moreno Yáñez published *Religiones Aborígenes en Andinoamérica Ecuatorial* in 2018 as No. 57 in the SIA series. In *Collectanea Instituti Anthropos*, Johannes Hämmerle OFMCap published *Das Herz von Hia spricht. Die Urbevölkerung auf der Insel Nias, Indonesien. Migration, Dorfgründungen, Rituale, Recht-feste und Tigersturz*, 2018, as No. 49 in that series. Four typescripts wait to be edited and published in both series (one about the languages of the Central African Pygmies is already in an advanced stage of editing).

Anthropology and Mission, starting in 2018, is only available online. No. 57 (July 2018) contained 33 book reviews (prepared by O. Gächter and V. Adi Gunawan) and 15 reviews of articles (prepared by J. Piepke, D. Piwowarczyk, V. Adi Gunawan, and S. Grodz). No. 58 (December 2018) contained 34 book reviews and 14 reviews of articles. The July 2018 issue contains a review of a book (p. 7) co-authored by former SVD William Burrows, entitled *Traditional Ritual as Christian Worship. Dangerous Syncretism or Necessary Hybridity* (Orbis Books, 2018). The December 2018 issue contains a book review (p. 3) of the book *Missionary Discipleship in Global Contexts*, co-edited by two SVDs—Lazar Stanislaus and vanThanh Nguyen. The review of articles covers one (p.17) by AI member D. Piwowarczyk, entitled “Useful Subjects for the Empire – How Did the Colonial State and the Divine Word Missionaries Make Togolese Subjects of the German Empire ‘Want to Obey’?” *Verbum SVD* 59.2018/1–2: 154–187. An article review on Gusinde appears in both 2018 issues. **Current and back issues of *Anthropology & Mission*** are available on the Anthropos webpage at: <http://www.anthropos.eu/anthropos/publications/anthropology-and-mission/index.php>, and on the SVD Curia Generalizia website at: <http://www.svdcuria.org/public/anthrop/news/ubl/anthmiss/am1807.pdf>.

Reports by Individual Members

These reports include publications, conference papers, teaching and other activities during 2018. Materials in press will normally be mentioned when they appear. Members, however, sometimes also report on their works in progress to communicate what they are currently working on. These reports reflect the great diversity and depth of the work of the members of Anthropos Institute.

There are 29 individual reports.

Mario Aguilar

Aguilar continued directing the Centre for the Study of Religion and Politics (CSRP) at the University of St. Andrews in Scotland. In 2019 he will celebrate 25 years at the University of St. Andrews and 15 years as director of the CSRP.

Research:

His current work has been in India and particularly in areas of anthropological research that relate to the history of Hindu-Christian dialogue and the text of the Mānava-Dharmasāstra. He is currently preparing a three volume of his collected works on Hindu-Christian Dialogue to be published by Motilal Banarsidass in New Delhi. For the past few years he has lived as a hermit in the Indian tradition.

Conference presentations:

During 2018 he spoke at the India Art Fare in New Delhi, and at several conferences on the centenary of Raimon Panikkar, including Cambridge (England), Santiago (Chile), and New Delhi.

Publications:

- 1) The third volume of his Indian trilogy: *Interreligious Dialogue and the Partition of India: Hindus and Muslims in Dialogue about Violence and Forced Migration* (2018);
- 2) "Intra-religious Dialogue and Silence in the Life of Raimon Panikkar", *Dilatato Corde VIII* (2018/2).

Joachim Andrade

Andrade's 2018 major activities included:

Teaching:

- 1) For the Claretian Faculty – STUDIUM THEOLOGICUM, he taught Sociology of Religion, Ecumenism, Inter-Religious Dialogue and Missiology over two semesters. For the Faculty of Vincentians Fathers, he taught Theological anthropology, Comparative Study of Religions and Ecumenism. In the Pontifical Catholic University of Paraná, he is a professor of the department of Theology and Philosophy, having classes for the graduation and post-graduation as well.
- 2) For the Religious Conference of Brazil (CRB) he offered seven programs on Interculturality and mission; Mission spirituality; and Intercultural formation in different parts of Brazil.

Publications and conference presentation:

- 1) He participated in the CARITAS international meeting in Brasilia talking on the theme Living in intercultural ambience in the context of migrations.
- 2) He published several articles as well as released two books, one on Mission and the other on Inter religious Dialogue.

Other activities:

- 1) Andrade has offered a number of ongoing

formation on the national level for the religious on the mission spirituality and interculturality.

- 2) In response to requests by the Bishops Conference of Brazil and by dioceses, he has offered a program on missiology, interculturality and inter-religious dialogue, as a preparation for the Brazilian missionaries of different congregations who have received the ad gentes mission assignment. He also gave a course on interculturality and inculturation for the incoming missionaries to Brazil of various congregations.

Bhaskar Das

Das is currently serving as Assistant Professor of Anthropology at DHSK College, Dibrugarh, Assam (India). He is also a Member of The International Union of Anthropological and Ethnological Sciences (IUAES).

Publication:

Edited a book entitled '*Re-Imagining Social Science Researches: Contexts, Perspectives and Priorities*' jointly with Dr. Jose Jacob SVD and Ankit K. Gaur. The book is published by DVS Publishers, India.

Papers presented in Seminar/ Conference:

1. Paper on 'Prevalence of Haemoglobinopathies in the Tea Garden Workers of Upper Assam' presented in the national seminar on *Anthropology, Health and Development: Trends and Future Perspectives* organized by the Department of Anthropology, University of Delhi, India.
2. Presented a poster on 'Sickle Cell Anaemia in the Tea Garden Workers of Upper Assam' in the international conference on *Population and Medical Genomics* and 43rd Annual Meeting of the Indian Society of Human Genetics held at CSIR-Centre for Cellular and Molecular Biology, Hyderabad, India.
3. Paper on 'Haemoglobinopathies: a Probable Indicator for Maternal Morbidity, Reproductive Wastage and Infant Mortality in Assam' presented in the national seminar on *Maternal and Child Health in India: Issues and Challenges* organized by the Department of Anthropology, Assam University (Diphu Campus), India.
4. Paper on 'Bio-Cultural Approach in Anthropology' presented in the national conference on *Northeast India: Changing Contexts, Shifting Meanings & Transformations of Traditions* organized by Holy Cross College, Agartala, India.

Othmar Gächter

Gächter is a member of the Editorial Board of *Anthropos*. He co-edited (with Vinsensius Adi Gunawan) the "Review of Books" in: *Anthropology & Mission* 2018/57+58 (8+8 pp.).

Publications:

1. "Hindus und ihre Umwelt." *Zeitschrift für Missionswissenschaft und Religionswissenschaft* 102. 2018: 17-27.
2. "Jesus Christus in den Kalamkari-Bildern von Jonnalagadda Gurappa Chetty." *Indo-Asiatische Zeitschrift* 22.2018: 46-52.

Book Review:

Drew, Georgina: *River Dialogues. Hindu Faith and the Political Ecology of Dams on the Sacred Ganga*. Tucson: The University of Arizona Press, 2017. 258 pp. *Anthropos* 113.2018: 720-721.

Joshua Awienagua Gariba

Gariba was the Director of the Tamale Institute of Cross-Cultural Studies (TICCS) in Ghana in 2018. He has been **appointed a lecturer in the Sociology Department of the premier University of Ghana, Legon-Accra**, starting in August, 2018. In January 2019, he handed over his TICCS responsibility to an acting director, so he can concentrate on his work at the university.

Activities and other appointments:

- 1) Gariba was appointed to serve a 4 year term on the International or External Advisory Council of his Alma Mater, the Catholic University of Leuven, Belgium. The mandate of the 7-member council is to advise the university authorities on development cooperation between universities of the global north and those of the south.
- 2) He participated in the 4-day international meeting organized by TICCS comprising members of the Network Pastoral Africa (NPA) coming from different Pastoral Institutes in Africa. The meeting was sponsored by Missio Aachen. This is an annual meeting, and this year, the network reflected on the theme: "Youth in Africa: Challenges and Opportunities for the Church," inspired by the Post-Synodal Apostolic Exhortation "Amoris Laetitia" of Pope Francis.
- 3) Gariba was appointed a member of a committee under the Catholic Bishops' Conference to prepare a *Ratio Nationalis* for seminary formation in Ghana. The *Ratio Nationalis*, which is a guide to how young people in Ghana should be formed for the catholic priesthood is based on the *Ratio Fundamentalis* which comes from Rome. A draft accepted by the Bishops' conference, and has been sent to Rome for approval.
- 4) Served on the two-week commission in Rome to prepare a working document for the 18th General Chapter of the Society of the Divine Word.

Patrick Gesch

Gesch is Professor at Divine Word University (DWU) in Madang, Papua New Guinea.

Teaching:

He taught the basic introductory course in Anthropology to the students in the Department of PNG Studies and International Relations. Last year and with a prospect for 2019 again, he had the assistance of an anthropologist from Sweden, Dr Don Kulick. He was able to render a master class for six weeks, with one grand sweep throwing to one side all our electronic resources, and having the First Year students read a paper book. They did field research already in the fourth week, and presented their findings speaking freely at the front of the class, with no PowerPoint or visual aid. Gesch then finished the semester with dedicated reliance on everything electronic.

Research:

Gesch joined a Religious Studies Conference in Canberra at Australian National University. The topic was "Sacred Sites and Sacred Stories". He presented his findings on sacred sites and spirits encountered in the jungle of Papua New Guinea. The aim was to present the "big bush" as a friendly,

personalized place. The fact that the early missionaries sought to de-sacralise the mountain crater waterholes and the sacred houses that are shrines to the foundational stories of life has been a problem for missionaries today. The call to encounter other religions by the fourfold forms of dialogue is much more affirming of the relationship between missionaries and village peoples. Gesch is waiting on publication possibilities of this paper.

Philip Gibbs

Gibbs was a member of the International Coordinating Council of Anthropos Institute and the SVD Resource Committee of Interculturality in 2018. He is Professor of Social Research and Vice President of Research and Higher Degrees at Divine Word University, Madang, Papua New Guinea.

Research:

1. Gibbs continues to partner with the Australian National University and the PNG National Research Institute in research on Sorcery Accusation and Related Violence (SARV) in PNG.
2. He did two weeks of fieldwork and filming for a documentary on the situation with (SARV) in the Highlands of PNG. Later that year, together with Maria Sagrista, he produced a 1 hour film on the topic.

Publications:

1. "Ethics and the politics of school fees in the 2017 elections." Contemporary PNG Studies: *DWU Research Journal*, vol 28, May 2018, pp. 42-53.
2. "Globalization" in L.T. Stanislaus and vanThanh Nguyen (Eds.) *Missionary Discipleship in Global Contexts*, pp. 13-28, Sieburg, Franz Schmitt Verlag.
3. "Conversion from Ethnocentrism", chapter 8 in Stanislaus, L. and Ueffing, M. (eds). *Intercultural Living. Explorations in Missiology*, pp. 106-118, Maryknoll, Orbis Books.
4. He continues to edit monthly the social concerns blog at <https://tokstret.com>.
5. He attended a 3-day meeting on Theology from a South-South Perspective at Missio in Aachen, Germany, and is planning to contribute a chapter on Oceania for the proposed book.

Other activities and an award:

1. In September he organized a 3-day Human Rights Film Festival at Divine Word University at which 20 films were screened, many to do with cultural issues.
2. In November **Gibbs received an award from the Queen of England – Order of the British Empire (OBE) for services to the Church and the people of Enga Province in PNG.**

Lazar Gnanaprakasam

Gnanaprakasam is the Director of Sanskruti -- Institute of Dravidian Culture and Research in Hyderabad, India. See the institutional report below.

Stanisław Grodź

Grodź is the director of the Anthropos Institut, Sankt Augustin and a **new member of the Anthropos Institute International Coordinating Council**. Much of his work is devoted to administrative duties at the Institut.

Teaching:

During the winter semester 2017/18, Grodz and Prof. Norbert Hintersteiner co-ran a seminar *Anthropologie außereuropäischen Christentums at Institut für Missionswissenschaft und außereuropäische Theologien*, Universität Münster.

Publications:

Work on the *Bibliographical History of Christian-Muslim Relations, 1500-1900 (CMR1900)* – a project headed by Prof. D.Thomas with assistance of an international group of scholars - continues (<http://www.birmingham.ac.uk/schools/ptr/departments/theologyandreligion/research/projects/CMR1900/project.aspx>). Grodz has been a member of the core editorial board since 2012. So far, they have published 7 volumes (for 16th-18th centuries – together over 6,000 pages). Two more volumes for the 18th century should appear in 2019; and eight other volumes are estimated for the 19th century. One volume was published in 2018: D. Thomas, J. Chesworth et al. (eds), *Christian-Muslim Relations. A Bibliographical History. Volume 12: Asia, Africa and the Americas (1700-1800)*, Leiden: Brill, 2018, pp. XX+912)

Other Activities

1. A lecture *Partnerschaft in der Kulturgeschichte* (Marriage/Partnership in various cultures) – Akademie Völker und Kulturen, Sankt Augustin.
2. Two Board meetings of the *European Society for Intercultural Theology and Interreligious Studies* (ESITIS; a board member since 2013) in Sankt Augustin and in Hamburg in preparation of the 2019 ESITIS conference in Sarajevo (more details at: <http://www.esitis.org/>).
3. Preparatory meeting for a workshop for the new SVD missionaries in Zone Europe (planned for May 2019 in Budapest) – Budapest.

Jon Kirby

Kirby continued to work as a member of the SVD Resource Committee of Interculturality

- 1) In the areas related to anthropology, as a “Certified Practitioner” of Psychodrama, Kirby has been offering Bibliodrama and training a team to assist him in doing interculturality in sessions involving two different culture groups using the action methods derived from psychodrama.
- 2) Over the past seven years, he has been working toward becoming certified as a TEP (Trainer, Educator and Practitioner of Psychodrama), which is the highest professional qualification of the ASGPP (American Society of Group Psychotherapy and Psychodrama). He is now in the final stage. He has completed over 500 hours training in psychodrama, 500 hours directing psychodrama sessions, over 200 hours of offering psychodrama training to others, and 100 hrs of being supervised.
- 3) As an anthropologist and interculturalist, Kirby uses the action-methods developed through psychodrama to facilitate intercultural competence in individuals, to build cultural sensitivity in groups and to facilitate peaceful relations between culture groups involved in culture-related conflicts.

Robert Kisala

Kisala, after completing twelve years on the SVD

General Council, returned to Japan and has resumed teaching at Nanzan University. He has begun doing some interculturality work in Japan.

Peter Knecht

Knecht in his retirement continues to be involved in various activities.

Publications:

1. 'Constructing sacred space: Establishing ritual space for the initiation or promotion of a shaman', *Asian Highlands Perspectives* 51, 2018, 9-32.
2. Co-authored article: 'Diseases caused by *ki* (Chin. 'gui', Jap. 'ki' / 'oni'. *Academia, Humanities and Natural Sciences* 16. Nanzan University 2018, 1-28 (In Japanese, together with Masao Hasegawa and Hiroshige Tsujimoto).
3. Translated article: 'How deities (*kami*) and Buddhas (*hotoke*) relate to defilement and impurity' by Yamada Yuji. *Japanese Religions* 42, 2017, 133-158. (Published in 2018)

Teaching:

10 class units on 'Shinto and folk religion' for the Interreligious Studies in Japan Program (ISJP) at the NCC Center for the Study of Japanese Religions, Kyoto; 1 full-day and 3 half-day guided visits to shrines and temples included.

Zdzisław Kupisiński

Kupisiński is on the faculty of John Paul II Catholic University of Lublin (KUL) and head of the Department of Religiology and Missiology. He has a full load of teaching responsibilities. He reviewed one Doctoral thesis and six Master's theses.

Publications:

Articles:

1. Towards Harmonious Relationship between Hierarchical and Charismatic Gifts. „Roczniki Teologii Duchowości” (*Yearbooks of Theology of Spirituality*) 2018, KUL.
2. *Lutra nauka o usprawiedliwieniu – między imputatio i deificatio (Luther's Teaching on Justification - between Imputatio and Deificatio)*. Studies of Theological Sciences of the Polish Academy of Sciences 2018.
3. *Ekumenizm w opiniach i postawach chrześcijan polskich. Studium socjologiczne na przykładzie trzech parafii chrześcijańskich z Bydgoszczy: prawosławnej, ewangelicko-augsburskiej i rzymskokatolickiej (Ecumenism in the Opinions and Attitudes of Polish Christians. Sociological Study on the Example of three Christian Parishes in Bydgoszcz: Orthodox, Evangelical-Augsburg and Roman Catholic)*. Editorship of "Studia Oecumenica" Institute of Ecumenism and Integration Research in Opole.
4. *Konflikt o cerkiew w Polanach w świetle doniesień tajnego współpracownika „Marek” (Conflict over the Orthodox Church in Polany in the Light of Reports of "Marek" - a Secret Collaborator)* "Studia Oecumenica" Institute of Ecumenism and Integration Research in Opole.
5. *Święty Bartłomiej i dzień świętego Bartłomieja w polskiej tradycji ludowej (St. Bartholomew and St. Bartholomew's Day in the Polish Folk Tradition)* „Pismo Folkowe” (*Folk Journal*) no. 138 (2018 no. 5).

6. Umieranie w obrzędowości ludowej. Tradycja a współczesność. Dialog z Tradycją (*Death in Folk Rituals. Tradition and Contemporaneity. Dialogue with Tradition*). Volume VI: Dawna i współczesna kultura funeralna (*Old and Contemporary Funeral Culture*) ed. I. Steczko, R. Dźwigoł, Collegium Columbinum, Kraków 2017 p.

7. Badania nad religijnością ludową w Katedrze Religioologii i Misjologii KUL (*Research on Folk Religiosity in the Department of Religiology and Missiology of the Catholic University of Lublin*). „Roczniki Teologiczne” (*Theological Yearbooks*) T. LXV, 2018, n. 9 p. 131-147.

Reviews:

1. Kaszubi dziś (*Kashubians Nowadays*). Jan Perszon. Kaszubi. Tożsamość, rodzina (*Kashubians. Identity, Family*). Gdańsk: Kashubian-Pomeranian Association, 2015, pp. 187. ISBN 978-83-62137-29-9, ISSN: 0076-1435, vol. 101:2017. p. 569-573 (published in 2018).

2. Święta Katarzyna Aleksandryjska w wierze, pobożności, teologii i sztuce – dawniej i dziś. Perspektywa uniwersalna i regionalna (*Saint Catherine of Alexandria in Faith, Piety, Theology and Art - Formerly and Today. Universal and Regional Perspective*) edited by Bishop Jack Jezierski, Katarzyna Parzych-Blakiewicz and Paweł Rabczyński. Warmińskie Wydawnictwo Diecezjalne (*Warmia Diocesan Publishing House*). Olsztyn 2016. pp. 363. „Roczniki Teologiczne” (*Theological Yearbooks*) w. 9 Fundamental Theology and Religiology. 65(2018) p. 167-172.

Conference papers:

1. „Wielki Post w pobożności ludowej mieszkańców Lubelszczyzny. Tradycja a współczesność” (*Lent in Folk Religiosity of the Lublin Region's Inhabitants. Tradition and Modernity*)

2. „Noc Świętojańska w polskiej obrzędowości ludowej” (*Saint John's Night in the Polish Folk Rituals*)

3. „Wyobrażenia o życiu po śmierci na przykładzie wybranych pieśni pogrzebowych mieszkańców opoczyńskiego” (*Images of Life after Death on the Example of Selected Funeral Songs of the Inhabitants of Opoczno*)

Other academic activity and awards:

1. Kupisiński was elected as Vice-President of the Polish Folklore Society, a branch in Lublin for the term of 2018-2021.

2. Was awarded an Individual Prize of the 3rd degree for original and creative scientific achievements by the Rector of the Catholic University of Lublin.

3. Was the Thematic Editor - „Roczniki Teologiczne” (*Theological Yearbooks*). n. 9. *Teologia Fundamentalna i Religiologia (Fundamental Theology and Religiology)* 2018.

4. Involved in the organization of the 14th Congress of the Association of Fundamental Theologians in Poland and a scientific conference on „Teologia fundamentalna wobec wyzwań współczesnych nauk o człowieku” (*Fundamental Theology Facing the Challenges of Modern Human Sciences*) organized by STF and the Institute of Fundamental Theology, Faculty of Theology, John Paul II Catholic University of Lublin.

Jose Kuzhikkattuthazhe

Kuzhikkattuthazhe is the Director of Sanskriti—North Eastern Institute of Cultural Research (NEICR) in Guwahati, India (ING). See that institutional report below.

Kofi Ronald Lange

Lange is now living in the United States. He has been a member of the translation team of SA - Sexaholics Anonymous - a 12 Step program based on the original 12 Steps of AA - Alcoholic Anonymous. He is assisting SA translation teams in Poland, Slovakia, Belgium, French Canada, and Korea. He has recently begun a translation of *Geschichte der katholische Kirche in Togo* by Karl Mueller, SVD into English. He is also in the process with Marian Schwark, SVD in Togo to find someone who will translate the German or his English translation into French.

Michael, S. M.

Sebastian Maria Michael is a member of the Coordinating Council of Anthropos Institute International and the SVD Resource Committee of Interculturality (RCI). He is also the Director of the Institute of Indian Culture in Mumbai, India.

Interculturality activities:

He was one of the resource persons for the International Interculturality Workshop organized by Centro Ad Gentes, Nemi in January 2018. He also gave a workshop on the same theme for the Superiors and Lay Missionaries of the Marist Brothers in June 2018 at Florence in Italy.

Publications:

1. “Post-Modern and Post-Truth Society”, *Missionary Discipleship in Global Contexts*, Lazar T. Stanislaus and vanThanh Nguyen (eds.) Sankt Augustin: Steyler Missionswissenschaftliches Institut at Sankt Augustin. *Studia Instituti Missiologici SVD* # 112 , 2018, pp. 73-90;

2. “Christianity, Culture and Formation in the Globalized World”, *Asian Journal of Vocation and Formation*, Vol. XXXXIII, No. 1, 2018, pp.3-20.

Conference papers:

1. “Christianity and the Indigenous People in India”, paper presented at a National Consultation on “*Indian Christianity: Public Theological Explorations*”, at the Department of Christianity, University of Madras;

2. “Culture, Religion and Politics in Contemporary India: An Outpouring of Dalit Angst” Paper presented at the National Seminar on “*Religious Tolerance, Culture and Civil Society in India*”, at the Institute of Indian Culture, Mumbai;

3. “Contemporary Challenges and Prospects in Christian Mission” Keynote Address at 3rd National Conference of Mission, Education & Research (MER – India) on *A Critical Appraisal of SVD Mission in India: Contemporary Challenges and Prospects*, at Atma Darshan, Mumbai;

4. “Culture, Identity & Hegemony: Challenges to Tribals in India”, paper presented at the National Conference on “*Indigenous Epistemology: Perspectives from Within*” at the Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Mumbai;

5. "Sustainable Ecology and Sustainability of Culture", Paper presented at the National Conference on "Sustainable Development through Research and Intervention Programmes", organized by College of Social Work – Nirmala Niketan.

Joseph Mundananikkal (M.T.)

M.T. Joseph is on the staff of the Institute of Indian Culture in Mumbai, India.

Publications

1. Chadha, Gita & Joseph, M.T. (Eds.). (2018). *Re-imagining Sociology in India: Feminist Perspectives*. London & New York: Routledge.

2. "Subalternity, Language and Projects of Emancipation: An Analysis of Dalit Literature". In *Language, Identity and Symbolic Culture*. David Evans (Ed.). London: Bloomsbury Academic. pp. 161 – 182.

Conference presentations:

1. "Masculinity and Religion: A Feminist Perspective." ICSSR Sponsored Two Day National Seminar on "Vision for an Inclusive Society: A Feminist Perspective" Conducted by UGC Centre for Women's Studies, University of Bangalore.

2. "Prof. N.R. Sheth and Industrial Sociology in India." 44th All India Sociological Conference (Reconstructing Sociological Discourse in India: Perspectives from the Margins). St. Philomena's College (Autonomous), Mysuru.

Workshops, Sessions and Lectures (Selected):

1. "Perspectives on Gender and Patriarchy". Session for the orientation programme at Human Resource Development Centre, University of Mumbai.

2. "Liberalization and Agrarian Distress." Session for students of Xaviers – Berkeley Summer Programme 2018 at St. Xaviers College, Mumbai.

3. Workshop on "Sociology of Religion" for M.Phil and PhD students of Krantijyoti Savitribai Phule Womens Studies Centre, University of Pune.

4. "Use of Qualitative Data." Workshop on Research Methodology in Social Sciences for the research scholars and faculty members. Indian Council of Social Science Research, North Eastern Regional Centre, Shillong, Maghalaya.

5. "Qualitative Research Methods: Ethnomethodology." Session for the students at Sophia Centre for Women's Studies and Development, Sophia College, Mumbai.

6. Session on "Gender, Patriarchy and Religion." Short Term Course. Conducted by Sophia Centre for Women's Studies, Sophia College, Mumbai.

6. Workshop on "Frameworks to analyse social movements" for M.Phil and PhD students of Krantijyoti Savitribai Phule Women's Studies Centre, University of Pune.

Roger Vanzila Munsi

Munsi is a member of the Faculty of GLOBAL LIBERAL STUDIES in Nanzan University. His course subjects included: Cultural Anthropology, Anthropology of Religion, Multiculturalism, Studies in Religion, Human Dignity and Ethnic Issues.

Publications:

1. "San Jiwan Karematsu Shrine Festival: A Crisis of Interreligious Tolerance." *The Japan Mission Journal* (72:3): 191-201.

2. Newspaper Articles

a. In July 2018 my anthropological research outcomes in Nagasaki were made visible to the public (in Japanese) by both the *KYODO NEWS* and *SHIKOKU NEWSPAPER* after a four-hour interview with the officials.

b. On 28 September 2019, my article on "The Faith of the present-day remnants of Kakure Kirishitan Communities" was released (in Japanese) by both the *CHIUNICHI NEWSPAPER* and *TOKYO NEWSPAPER*.

c. On 3 September, my article on "Kirishitan Shrine s and Festivals" was released (in Japanese) by both the *CHIUNICHI NEWSPAPER* and *TOKYO NEWSPAPER*.

d. Since then many Newspaper and TV journalists, fieldwork and independent researchers within and outside Japan have been approaching me for further insights and collaborative research.

Conference papers and seminar:

1. Special Lecture at ASAHI CULTURAL CENTER (Nagoya City) on "The Relationship between the Religious practices of the Japanese Hidden Christians and related Historical Sites

2. Paper on "Kirishitan Shrine Festivals: Looking at the Religiosity of the Local Communities" during a Collaborative Research Workshop organized by the Nanzan Anthropological Institute.

3. Special Lecture on "The present-day remnants of Kakure Kirishitan (Hidden Christian) communities" during the Interreligious Study in Japan Program (ISJP) organized annually by the NCC Institute for Religious Studies in Kyoto.

4. Participated in the Annual Meeting/Conference of the American Academic of religion (AAR) held in Denver, USA, especially during the sessions organized by the African Association for the Study of Religions.

5. Paper on the "The "Age-Old Ritual Practice of the Ohatsuhoage among the Kakure Kirishitan Survivors: Intercession of identities and resources" during the Annual Meeting of the Association AJJ (ANTHROPOLOGY OF JAPAN IN JAPAN) held at Nanzan University on the theme "Displacements and Potentials." The main findings of the presentation will be published as an academic article in the forthcoming issue of the *Annual Papers of Nanzan Anthropological Institute*.

Fieldwork:

1. During the summer 2018 he carried out a cross-sectional research in the Democratic Republic of Congo, precisely on the "Royal Family and Conflicts over Leadership of the Mabie Chiefdom in Sakataland". He also conducted a second phase of his visual anthropological study of the "Sakata Folklore Dancing in Urban Settings". The main data from this visual anthropological research was put together for publication in summer 2019 in a format of DVD.

2. He carried out a follow-up cross-section research on two major topics: (a) "Age-Old Ritual Practice of *Ohatsuhōage*" (a symbolic equivalent or ritual substitute of the Eucharist) performed by the Kakure Kirishitan practitioners in Nagasaki settings. (b) Kirishitan Shrines and related Festivals held annually by Hidden Christians, Catholics and

Buddhists. Some of the research findings enriched his article on the above-mentioned religious ceremony. Other data will be inserted into his forthcoming book on *Kirishitan Shrines and Festival in Japan: Looking at the Religiosity of Local Communities*.

3. He also updated some parts of his book (in Japanese) on the *Biography of Murakami Shigeru: A Kakure Kirishitan Leader from Sotome-Kurosaki who converted to Catholicism*, for its forthcoming second edition.

Gregory Neonbasu

Neonbasu completed his terms as the Head of St. Arnold Educational Foundation of the Catholic University of Widya Mandira Kupang, West Timor, Indonesia (2008-1018).

Teaching:

He taught anthropology, ethics, Gender-Politics, Governmental anthropology and rural-sociology at several campuses: UNIKA Widya Mandira; and, for the postgraduate (doctorate, S3, PhD) program of Christian College State in Kupang.

Papers presented:

1. "Budaya, Rasa Nasionalisme dan Generasi Muda"
2. "Sketsa Memahami Budaya dan Pariwisata NTT"
3. "Keberagaman dan Damai di Nusa Tenggara Timur Dalam Perspektif Antropologi (Percikan Pemikiran Untuk Menjahit Kerukunan)"
4. "Sketsa Memahami Sumba dan Timor, Refleksi Lahan Kering dan Pariwisata (Skema Antropologis)"
5. "Pendekatan Budaya dalam Perspektif Pelayanan (Program Tanam Jagung Panen Sapi).
6. "Kebudayaan Yang Memperkuat Demokrasi (Sebuah Kajian Antropologi NTT)

Publications:

Book: *Kehidupan Yang Rapuh, Realitas Manusia dalam Refleksi Antropologis*, 2018, Kupang: Dinas Perpustakaan Provinsi NTT.

Articles:

1. "Mendulang Peristiwa, Percikan di Balik Kisah", forward to Simon Seffi's book entitled *Di Balik Tembok Sekolah, Catatan dari Timor, NTT* (2018: v-vi), Yogyakarta: Penerbit DEEPUBLISH.
2. "Perpustakaan: Kaca Kemanusiaan" epilog to Valeri Guru's book entitled *Perpustakaan NTT Dalam Lintasan Sejarah* (2018: 101-107), Surabaya: Sejahtera Mandiri Teknik Indonesia.
3. "Melukis Sebuah Perjalanan (Kisah Hidup Teman Kelas)", forward to Ambros Korbaffo's book entitled *Ambrosius Korbaffo, Anak Kampung Menjadi Pemimpin* (2018: v-vii), Kupang: INARA.
4. "Mencari Makna di Balik Kata Ujar", forward to Valeri Guru's book entitled *Mencerna Makna di Balik Narasi Gubernur VBL (Untuk Mewujudkan NTT Sejahtera)*, 2018: 3-19).
5. "Prospektif Pembangunan (Teropong Strategi dan Pola), epilog to Valeri Guru's book entitled *NTT Bangkit, Menuju Masyarakat Sejahtera: Perspektif Lima Misi Pembangunan NTT 2018-2023*, (2018: 255-269).

Research:

1. Research on an 'Anthropological reflection of all the people of the border area: east and west Timor'.

2. Regularly collection of oral traditions from several places of east and west Timor: a) folklore of the ordinary people from villages: Loli, Elo Abi, Oe Ekam of west Timor; b) (2) reviewing stories of the origins of the first settlers of Timor following an archaic story of Vallu Sere, the main domain between Totina (Jaco Island) and Eastern East Timor.

Jacek Jan Pawlik

Pawlik is a professor and Chair of Family Sciences in Faculty of Theology in Olsztyn since 2008.

Publications:

1. *Twórcza codzienność mieszkańców Lomé* ["Everyday Life of the Inhabitants of Lomé"], Olsztyn: University Press 2018, 354 pp.
2. "The Catholic Family towards Cultural Diversity," *Studia Warmińskie* 55 (2018) pp. 199-212.
3. Georges Balandier a historia [Georges Balandier and history], „Rocznik Antropologii Historii” 11 (2018) [in press].

Teaching:

- 1) At the Faculty of Theology, he taught: Introduction to Religious Studies, Marriage and Family in Cross-Cultural Perspective, Research Methods in Family Sciences, Human Sexuality in Cross-Cultural Perspective, and The Body in Culture;
- 2) At the Faculty of Human Sciences, he taught: Outline of Afro-American Cultures, Ethnozoology, and Ethnobotany.
- 3) He also directed 4 MA Theses.

Conference Papers:

1. Władza i zmiana. Antropologia polityczna Georges'a Balandiera [Power and change. Political Anthropology of Georges Balandier] –Warsaw;
2. Analiza sytuacyjna w badaniach afrykanistycznych [Situational Analysis in African Studies] – Saint Cross, (Fifth Congress of Polish African Studies);
3. Colonial Situation and Its Transmutations, Kiev (Ukraine);
4. Etnorelatywna etyka projektu międzykulturowości [Ethnorelative Ethics of Intercultural Project], Pieniezno;
5. Instytut „Anthropos” platformą badań naukowych misjonarzy [Anthropos-Institute as Research Forum for missionaries], Boruszowice;
6. Współpraca chrześcijan i muzułmanów w Togo [Cooperation of Christians and Muslims in Togo], Warsaw;
7. Zadomowianie przestrzeni życia w społeczeństwach acefalicznych Afryki [Appropriation of the life space in African acephalous societies].

Francis Pereira

Pereira conducted the following academic and teaching activities;

1. Guided research papers of nine theology students for the two day annual seminar on the topic *World View of Santals and the Changing scenario*.
2. Thirty lectures on Introduction to theology for the first year theology students of Khristo Jyoti Mohavidyaloyo (KJM), the Interdiocesan Regional

Theologate of Odisha at Sambalpur, Odisha.

3. Taught Theological Anthropology, Eschatology, Sacraments of Reconciliation and Anointing of the Sick for the third year theology students of KJM.

4. Taught Eschatology for the third year theology students of Morning Star Seminary, Kolkata, West Bengal.

5. Taught classes on Tribal Culture to 9 first year theology students at Samanvaya CMI Theologate at Kolchoor, Chhattisgarh state.

6. Gave fifteen lectures on Tribal theology and fifteen lectures on Dalit Theology to the fourth year theology students at KJM, Sambalpur, Odisha.

7. Taught Tribal Theology to 20 third year theology students of St. Charles Seminary, Nagpur in the state of Maharashtra.

Other activities:

1. Conducted common evaluation of the diaconate ministry of six deacons of three Catholic dioceses of Odisha at Shanti Niwas, Bilaspur, Chhattisgarh.

2. Prepared Draft Formation Manual for Odisha as the Regional Secretary of the Regional Commission for Vocations, Seminaries, Clergy and Religious.

Joachim Piepke

Piepke is on the editorial team for the *Anthropos* journal and for the review of articles for the *Anthropology and Mission* publication.

Publications for 2018:

1. Liturgie der jungen Kirchen am Beispiel Brasiliens. In: Jürgen Bärsch und Benedikt Kranemann (Hrsg.), *Geschichte der Liturgie in den Kirchen des Westens. Rituelle Entwicklungen, theologische Konzepte und kulturelle Kontexte*. Bd. 2 Moderne und Gegenwart; pp. 307–342. Münster: Aschendorff.

2. Arnold Janssen – An Inspiration for Today. *Verbum SVD* 59/3: 305–316.

3. Die Frage der Menschenrechte im Amerika des 16. Jahrhunderts. *Verbum SVD* 59/3: 256–280.

4. Die 1968er-Studentenrevolution in St. Augustin. *Verbum SVD* 59/1-2: 63–82.

Darius Piwowarczyk

Piwowarczyk, as the Editor-in-Chief of the *Anthropos* journal, published the two issues of volume 113 of 2018, which included co-editing 35 articles on 350 print pages.

Other Publications:

1. Examining Nazca Lines. *Anthropos* 113(2): 775-778.

2. Umprogrammierung des kolonialen Menschen. Afrikanisches Menschenbild in Konfrontation mit modernen abendländischen Diskursen der Kolonialära. *Jahrbuch der Philosophisch-Theologischen Hochschule Sankt Augustin* 6: 25-38.

3. Useful Subjects for the Empire. How Did the Colonial State and the Divine Word Missionaries Make Togolese Subjects of the German Empire “Want to Obey”? *Verbum SVD* 59 (1-2): 154-187.

Alexander Rödlach

Rödlach is Associate Professor in Anthropology and Psychiatry at Creighton University in Omaha, United States of America. He is the director of the graduate program in Medical Anthropology and

teaches courses related to global health and public health. He is also member of the SVD resource committee on interculturality (RCI).

Teaching and Education Programs:

His newest course "Applied Research - Needs Assessment and Program Evaluation" is popular among students interested in learning how to apply anthropological research skills to better understand social issues and to design or improve programs developed to address such issues. He co-organized a study abroad course last summer on the theme "Definitions of Health - Implications for Care" in Austria and Hungary, which included a stay at the SVD community of St. Gabriel's Gabrium in Moedling, Austria, and a day-long immersion experience with the Caritas-run refugee center at St. Gabriel's. He also works with medical students exploring how medical missions influence participants' intercultural competence. He is working with various global health-related student associations on campus, such as Partners in Health and the Network against Malaria. With colleagues from health professional schools he is developing a global health emphasis program for both faculty and students. He is a faculty partner for a student-run program on the Creighton campus that raises awareness on gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender issues rooted in the Catholic and Ignatian traditions. He recently joined Creighton's Center for the Promotion of Health and Health Equity, which connects academics with communities and their leaders to facilitate partnerships between them that ideally result in programs improving health and health equity.

Publications:

Together with Andrew Nelson (University of North Texas) and Roos Willems (University of Leuven), he edited *The Crux of Refugee Resettlement - Rebuilding Social Lives*, which is currently being published by Lexington Press. This volume also includes a chapter he co-authored with others on "The Competing and Shifting Relevance of Social Capital in Successful Refugee Resettlement". In January 2018, his article "Religion as Social Capital for Resettled Refugees - Karenni Catholics in Omaha, United States" was published by the *Journal of Religion and Society*. He is working on a book manuscript *Touching Lives - Improving Health - Transforming Communities: Faith Community Nursing and Health Ministries*.

Other Activities:

He participated in various conferences, such as the Health Disparities Conference at Creighton University and the Annual Meeting of the Society for Applied Anthropology, where he gave a paper on religion's role in refugee resettlement, which, together with the other papers presented in the same session, will be published in *Migration Letters*. He gave a two-day workshop for newly ordained or newly appointed members of the Central European, German, and Italian provinces of the SVD in Nemi from September 24-25, 2018, on intercultural competence. He also co-led two workshops on intercultural competence at the Rotary International Conference in Omaha.

He is also a member of the interdisciplinary Kripke

Center for the Study of Religion and Society. He is an advisory board member of the University of Florida's *African Studies Quarterly*, Lexington Press' book series on anthropology and migration, and Holy Name's journal *Lumina*. He completed a three-years term as member of the Board of Trustees of Divine Word College in Epworth, Iowa, which was recently renewed for three more years.

Roger Schroeder

Schroeder holds the Louis J. Luzbetak, SVD Chair of Mission and Culture and is Professor of Intercultural Studies and Ministry at Catholic Theological Union at Chicago (CTU). He is chair of the SVD Resource Committee on Interculturality.

Publications:

1. *What is the Mission of the Church? A Guide for Catholics*. Revised and expanded edition. Maryknoll, NY: Orbis Books, 2018. [Also reprinted for limited distribution in Asia by Theological Publications in India (TPI) in Bangalore.]
2. "Engaging our Diversity through Interculturality." *New Theology Review* 30, no. 2 (March 2018): 65-68.
3. "Missionary Discipleship from an Intercultural Perspective" in: Stanislaus, Lazar, and vanThanh Nguyen, eds. *Missionary Discipleship in Glocal Contexts*. Studia Instituti Missiologici SVD 112. Pp. 151-164. Siegburg, Germany: Franz Schmitt Verlag.
4. "Interculturality as a Paradigm for Mission" in: Stanislaus, Lazar, and Martin Ueffing, eds. *Intercultural Living: Explorations in Missiology*. Pp. 172-185. Maryknoll, NY: Orbis Books, 2018.
5. "Mission in Roman Catholic Theology" in: Dale T. Irvin and Peter C. Phan, eds. *Christian Mission, Contextual Theology, Prophetic Dialogue: Essays in Honor of Stephen B. Bevans, SVD*. Pp. 17-36. Maryknoll, NY: Orbis Books, 2018.
6. "Indigenous Theologies in the Americas," *Australian Journal of Mission Studies* 12, 2 (December 2018), 35-46.
7. Published interview with *Unitas Fidei* Book Review Publication of Moody Bible Institute, Chicago, on co-authored book (with S. Bevans), *Constants in Context: A Theology of Mission for Today* (2004) <<https://aqueductproject.org/roger-schroeder-constants-in-context/>>.

Academic presentations:

1. Delivered the annual Scherer lecture on "Beyond Toleration: Intercultural Mission as Prophetic Dialogue" at the Lutheran School of Theology in Chicago, USA.
2. Gave two talks—"God's Mission Has a Church"; and (with Kirsteen Kim) "Formed in Community by the Holy Spirit"—at a Convocation, entitled "Faithful at the Speed of Change," celebrating the 50th Anniversary of the Center for Parish Development, Chicago area.
3. Presented paper on "Steps toward Reconciliation: The CTU-Lakota Relationship," for CTU Faculty Seminar, Chicago.
4. Gave a presentation (twice) on "Becoming a Mission-Centered Parish: A Culture of Encounter" for the annual conference of the U.S. Catholic Mission Association (USCMA), in Boston, USA.

Select Professional Activities:

1. Co-organized a 4-day conference on "Engaging Our Diversity: Interculturality and Consecrated Life" (sponsored by the Center for the Study of Consecrated Life) at CTU in Chicago, and led the session on "Different Cultural Models of Conflict Resolution."
2. Gave the following presentations for an 8-day program on "Interculturality and Religious Life" held in Nemi, Italy, January 2018: "Interculturality and Mission as Prophetic Dialogue," "The Intercultural Journey of Jesus," "The Intercultural Journey of the Early Church," "Interculturality and Initial Formation as Exit-Learning," "Baptism as the Sacrament of Interculturality," "Spirituality of Interculturality," and (with Tim Norton, SVD) "Different Cultural Models of Conflict Resolution."
3. Gave following presentations for the OMI provincial assembly in Lacombe, Canada: "Intercultural Journeys of Jesus and the Early Church," "Spirituality of Interculturality," and "Intercultural Living in a Religious Congregation."
4. Led a two-day workshop on "Intercultural Living: Engaging Our Diversity" for the Intercommunity Novitiate (ICN) program in St. Louis, USA.
5. Gave a presentation on "Sexuality, Gender Roles, and Culture" at the Cultural Orientation Workshop for SVD and SSpS newly-arrived missionaries to North America and the Caribbean, Techny, USA.

Djalma Antônio da Silva

Da Silva is the Director/President of Anthropos do Brasil. He had the following activities in 2018:

1. Once a month, he taught missiology classes for the laity in the missiology course at Cristo Redentor Parish in Rio de Janeiro.
2. In April, he conducted formation for confreres and laypeople from the Northeast District, BRN Province, in Aracaju. The theme developed was: "Lay Christians, subjects in the" outgoing Church ", in the service of the Kingdom.
3. In May, he did formation for priests of the Diocese of Patos de Minas-MG. The theme developed was: "The challenges of mission in postmodernity".
4. In July, he gave classes in the postgraduate course in missiology at the Santo Tomas Aquino College (ISTA) in Belo Horizonte-MG. Theme: "Introduction to cultural anthropology. "
5. He also did a course on counseling at the Latin American Assembly of the Religious of Betharram (Betharramites), in Passa Quatro-MG. The theme was the challenges to religious life in postmodernity.
6. In August, he presented an introduction to missiology for SVD missionaries from Subzona Brazil, in Suzano, São Paulo. Theme: "Introduction to missiology"

Ignatius Soreng

Soreng is Director of the Sanskruti Kendra Center in Panaspara, Sundargarh, Odisha, India. See the institutional report below for his activities.

Janet Florine Tellis

Tellis is in her second year of a three-year assignment in Paraguay. She continued learning

Spanish and interculturality from a Latin American context. She wrote: "It is time of learning about the process of patience and humility as I enter into another context--and the process of entering another culture.... At times it is both challenging and a time of growth."

She attended a workshop for two weeks in interculturality in Asuncion Paraguay. Thirteen SVDs from different Latin American countries and three SSpS from Paraguay were participants. It was a great help to understand the cultural context.

Research and publication in process:

1. "Impact of Education in Empowerment of Women: a case study of Dhalai District of Tripura," in *Mankind*.
2. Paper entitled, "Indigenous conflict resolution mechanism: a study on the Rieng of Tripura" in *Legal Pluralism and Indian democracy: Tribal conflict resolution system in Northeast India* by Routledge publications.

Franco Zocca

Zocca is now fully taken by pastoral work, due to a tremendous lack of priests in that part of Italy. His sociological preparation is certainly very useful to re-insert himself in the Italian context, after more than 40 years of living overseas (Indonesia and Papua New Guinea). However, the present commitment to pastoral works leaves no time for research or academic writing.

Reports on Corporate Members

Anthropos Institute St. Augustin

Anthropos Institute member Stanislaw Grodz is the Director of Anthropos Institut, Sankt Augustin. The Editorial Board consists of the following AI members: Dariusz Piwowarczyk, who serves as the Editor-in-Chief, Joachim Piepke, Othmar Gächter, Stanislaw Grodz, and Vincensius Adi Gunawan. The publications are described above (p. 2) under "Publications of the Institute." The activities undertaken by individual AI members are listed in their personal reports.

As for other activities of the Institut, a number of scholars from various countries visited the Institute. Some used its library and archive facilities for research. The special interest in Gusinde's materials continues. A few steps have been taken to update the Anthropos Institute webpage.

A short symposium dedicated to the reflection on mission and human sciences in honour of three long-standing members of the Institute at Sankt Augustin (Joachim Piepke, Othmar Gächter, Günther Gessinger) took place on 10th November 2018. It was combined with the General Meeting of the members of the Missiological Institute and also with the celebrations of Joachim Piepke's 75th birthday, who had been the director of Institute for most of the last 30 years). Around 60 participants gathered for the celebration – friends and colleagues of the Anthropos Institute, members of the Missiological Institute, confreres and collaborators. Consult www.anthropos.eu for further information

on Anthropos Institute of St. Augustin.

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NOTE OF CLARIFICATION:

At the moment the official Statutes of Anthropos Institute recognize only full corporate association. However, we also acknowledge and include here the important efforts in 2016 of the following institutions dedicated to the study of culture and religion which carry out the Anthropos tradition of our Society, even though they are not full corporate members as of yet. Each of these institutes have some SVD affiliation, though several are presently not officially recognized by the SVD Generalate. One or more SVD are working in each of these centers, of whom many are currently members of Anthropos Institute.

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Aditya Wacana Centre

Missiologist Raymundus Sudhiarsa, SVD, is the Director of Aditya Wacana Centre for Studies of Religion and Culture in Malang, Indonesia (IDJ). SVDs Gregorius Genane Kaha, Donatus Sermanda, Peter Sarbini, and Kristo Bala are also on the staff. Since its beginning, Aditya Wacana, the Centre for Studies of Religion and Culture, has been trying to provide a place for studying any issues on religion and culture. Besides providing a library for the intended purpose, members of the Centre are always committed to their regular lectures at *Widya Sasana* School of Philosophy and Theology, researching, publications, and guiding retreats. Throughout the year, they are frequently invited to be resource persons in seminars on issues such as interreligious dialogue, missionary church, basic human communities, intercultural competence, etc.

Particular Activities of the Staff:

In October 2018 Ray Sudhiarsa went to Melbourne to be guest speaker on the Mission Day organised by SVD Doris Maru Seminary. He presented a seminar paper entitled 'A New Way of Being Church-in-Mission: The Indonesian Context'. Kristo Bala conducted several retreats in Bali and Batu, East Java. Pater B. Sarbini was the main resource person in a seminar in October 2018, organised by the Interreligious Commission of Malang Diocese with the theme "Notra Aetate and Other Faith Traditions." Since mid-2018, with Peter B. Sarbini's initiative, the Centre has also become a place for promoting a cross-cultural and inter-religious *Karawitan* (Javanese Orchestra). The group, named *Komunitas Budaya Mocapat Lintas Budaya dan Kepercayaan 'Sapto Manunggal Rasa Jati'* (Cross-culture and Faith Community), comes to the Centre twice a week for some rehearsal and gathering.

Publication:

The biennial journal of *Perspektif* was published as the thirteenth volume.

Anthropos do Brasil

Anthropos Institute member Djalma Antônio da Silva is the Director/President of Anthropos do Brasil. In 2018, the members of the board of directors of the Anthropos Institute of Brazil held

several meetings in Rio de Janeiro and Juiz de Fora in order to draw a line of research for the institution. A website was created for Anthropos, but now the great challenge is the maintenance of this site and the creation of an editor for an electronic magazine that would have as purpose the publication of articles of confreres and researchers of other universities.

From October 12 to 13, 2018, the **Assembly of the Anthropos Institute of Brazil**, was held in Juiz de fora-MG. During the event some presentations were made. Father Djalma Antonio da Silva presented a history of the Anthropos Institute of Brazil since its foundation in São Paulo in 1960. It lists the advances, difficulties and ruptures in the Institution during this period. Fr Nicolau Bakker shared his research on the experience of a reborn and enduring Church in his home country, Holland. He also presented a summary of his new book, *My faith, my Church, my world*. And Fr. Ozanan Carrara, shared the research he has been doing on the issue of environmental ethics, the theme that he has worked on with his students at the University. The Assembly resumed the discourse on the partnership of the Anthropos Institute of Brazil with ISTA (Santo Tomas Aquino Institute), on the academic question, research and scientific production. The dialogue between the two institutions continues.

Institute of Indian Culture

AI member S.M. Michael is the Director of the Institute of India Culture in Mumbai, India. The Institute has been collaborating with College of Social Work: Nirmala Niketan and St. Andrew's College, both in Mumbai to promote "the efforts of the United Nations for Sustainable Development". The three academic institutions are jointly conducting a Post-graduate Diploma Course on "Interreligious Collaboration for a Sustainable Development for a Humane Society". Apart from its regular academic activities of seminars, workshop and animation programmes, the IIC has taken effort to preserve its very rare books by digitalizing them and make them available to a wider circle of research scholars through internet facilities. By taking financial help from a few corporate bodies in Mumbai, the IIC has partially air-conditioned its library.

Publications and other activities:

The Institute published the January and July 2018 issue of *Institute of Indian Culture News and Views* (Vol. 67, no. 1 & 2). See the individual reports above of AI members S.M. Michael and Joseph Mundanikkal for their activities in 2018.

Melanesian Institute

Melanesian Institute (MI) is an Ecumenical social and Educational Institute administered by PNG and SI mainline churches (Catholic, Evangelical Lutheran, United and Anglican) and the SVD PNG province. The leaders of MI's Institutional members have committed themselves to review and amend MI's constitutions and statutes in 2019. Staff members include the following SVD: Martin Tnines (Executive Director) and Geovanne Bustos.

Education:

1) They continue to offer their regular 'mainstream' Cultural Orientation Courses (COCs): full-length (3 weeks) mission-focused COC in January and a shorter (5 days) development-oriented COC in September.

2) Additional thematic mini-courses were designed and facilitated mostly among missionaries, while addressing emerging social issues and development agenda. Recent thematic mini-courses are:

(a) on impelling changes and challenges to 'mission ad gentes', alternative perspectives and approaches to Sorcery-Accusation Related Issues (SARI) → for the SVDs and other religious in Enga.

(b) on demystifying Corruption and SARI, and transformative Social Justice agenda → for young Papua New Guinean religious and formandi from different congregations in the Highlands.

(c) on inter-cultural living and mission, and transformative Social Justice agenda → for Junior SSPS Sisters in PNG.

Research-Consultancy

They utilize the research skills of their talented field-school students (participants of Participatory Action Research (PAR) training in pilot sites) to facilitate community conversations and collect data on Related Marriage and Family Life topics such as Sorcery Accusation Related Issue (SARI), Gender Based Violence, Village Court system with particular emphasis on how this combined modern and cultural ways of addressing law and order problems deal with marital discordant and law and order problems affecting disadvantaged sectors (e.g. Persons with disability, adopted children, women and children who are in conflict with the law, roles of women magistrate in village court system, etc.).

Media and Publication

Data from community conversations are published in *Catalyst*. *Catalyst* 48.1 was published while *Catalyst* 48.2 is in the editing process. *Point Series* no. 41 on "Village Court baseline assessment" in the Highlands region (EHP, Simbu and WHP) is in the pipeline. Data on gender will be published in Curriculum platform for educational purpose. MI also uses its data for gender-based violence for advocacy (e.g. the recent 20-day activism in Goroka that had been published in Post Courier, AHC website and other social media platforms).

For further information of their programs, publications, and research see: <https://www.mi.org.pg/>.

Nanzan Anthropological Institute

Prof. Goto Akira, who was trained in Ethno-Archeology, is the Director of the Institute. The journal *Asian Ethnology (AE)* is now being published under the Nanzan Anthropological Institute. Also see the individual report above of AI member Roger Vanzila Munsu, who is a member of the Nanzan Anthropological Institute.

As one of its activities, the Institute collaborated in organizing the Annual Meeting of the ANTHROPOLOGY OF JAPAN IN JAPAN held at Nanzan University on the theme "Displacements and Potentials" in December 2018.

Sanskriti -- North Eastern Institute of Cultural Research

AI member Jose Kuzhikkattuthazhe is the Director of Sanskriti—North Eastern Institute of Cultural Research (NEICR) in Guwahati, India (ING). In 2018 Sanskriti-North Eastern Institute of Cultural Research, Guwahati organized the 12th consecutive annual national conference at Agartala, in collaboration with Holy Cross College, Agartala, Tripura. The focal theme of the conference was “North East India: Changing Contexts, Shifting Meanings and Transformations of Traditions.” About 48 research papers were presented in this three day conference wherein about 300 professors and scholars participated from various parts of the country. The proceedings are being edited by a team of scholars under the guidance of Dr. K. Jose. So far twenty two (22) volumes have been brought out through the initiative of Sanskriti. We are also at work on a number of edited volumes with special reference to North East India. Some of the most important ones are mentioned below.

Forthcoming Publications

1. INDIA’S NORTH EAST: Perennial Themes and Contemporary Perspectives (VIII Volumes comprising the States of Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram Nagaland, Tripura, and Sikkim)
2. Customary Laws as Discourse: The Northeastern Perspective
3. Research and Social Responsibility: Multi-disciplinary Perspectives
4. Fairs and Festivals of Northeast India – Pictorial Coffee Table Book
5. Northeast India: Critical Changes, and Decisive Transformations
6. The Nyishi and their Neighbours: Communities in East Kameng District, Arunachal
7. Re-inventing A Frontier Ethno-space: Economic Development and Social Opportunity in the Post-Modern Arunachal Pradesh
8. Endangered, not vanished: Minor Ethnic Communities of Manipur.

Sanskriti – Institute of Dravidian Culture and Research

Anthropos Institute member Lazar Gnanaprakasam is the Director of *Sanskriti* – Institute of Dravidian Culture and Research in Hyderabad, India. The 5th Annual National Seminar was held on January 18-19, 2018, on the theme of “EXPLORING INDIGENOUS KNOWLEDGE SYSTEM AND EMPOWERING THE MARGINALISED PEOPLE OF INDIA: Policies and Priorities.” There were also about 25 papers, all from eminent university professors and research scholars. Four volumes of publications from the previous seminars are already published.

Sanskriti Kendra – Tribal Cultural and Research Centre

Anthropos Institute member Ignatius Soreng is Director of Sanskriti Kendra, Panaspara, Sundargarh. The staff includes Andreas Kerketta SVD (Assistant Director cum Treasurer). Sanskriti Kendra has two types of activities.

Programs for Protection, Preservation and Promotion of Tribal Culture:

1. Tribal Cultural Dance Competition: The purpose of the festival was to revive some extant tribal dances, and to promote the ones that are existing.
2. Celebration of Memorial days of tribal heroes: Three memorial days were celebrated. The purpose of these celebrations was to revive the memory of the great tribal heroes, enhance tribal dignity among the tribal, and educate the tribal youngsters about these great tribal leaders.
3. Workshops for Tribal Leaders: Every year we identify one Tribal group for study and special attention. This year, our focus was on one tribe called *Kisan*.
4. Raising Tribal Writers Program: Poems on tribal themes written in any language in this region were collected from students, youth, elite mass and all public through competitions. An anthology of selected poems was published in a book titled *The First Step*. On January 20, 2019 a day of celebration was organized where amid many literary and cultural programs *The First Step* was released, and all the writers were publicly honored.
5. The Light House: The tribal elite and educated can come together to make a conscious effort to raise tribal students and youth higher in their life. The first of its kind get-together of *The Light House* was organized in the month of September 2018

Tribal Research:

1. Research on the Kisan tribe was done in 2018 and continues into 2019. Besides this, further studies is continuing on Delki Khadia.
2. Some aspects of previous research have been published in booklet form. In 2018 a booklet named *Giding* (which means Sunshine) in Delki Khadia language was published. This is an initiative that includes everybody irrespective of caste and religion.

Tamale Institute of Cross-Cultural Studies

The Director of the Tamale Institute of Cross-Cultural Studies (TICCS) in Ghana in 2018 was AI member Joshua Awienagua Gariba (see his individual report above). Gariba retired as Director at the end of 2018, due to his new full-time responsibilities in the university. Phaniel Agudu Myers, SVD, who is Ghanaian and has a Masters in Anthropology, was appointed as the new Director, starting in January 2019.

Programmes:

- 1) TICCS offered a one-week cross cultural orientation course in language and culture learning for the members of Mission Resource International working in Northern Ghana, which is involved in missionary work as well as agricultural programs.
- 2) TICCS hosted a 4-day international meeting comprising members of the Network Pastoral Africa (NPA) coming from different Pastoral Institutes in Africa. The meeting was sponsored by Missio Aachen.
- 3) A 3-day interreligious dialogue seminar was held by the institute. Participants came from Protestant, Catholic, and other Christian groups. Among the speakers was a Muslim scholar who gave interesting dimensions from the Islamic perspectives on

interreligious dialogue.

4) TICCS had a two-week cross-cultural orientation course for five SVD seminarians who arrived in Ghana a few months earlier to start their seminary formation. The seminarians came from Ghana, Togo and Congo.

5) Fourteen (14) pastoral year/ OTP seminarians of SVD and the diocesan seminarians studying at St. Victor Seminary in Tamale, came to TICCS for the annual cross-cultural orientation course. SVDs did one week and diocesan seminarians did two. This program provides cultural orientation to seminarians who would start their long supervised pastoral ministry (one to two years) in different Dioceses of Northern and Southern Ghana, and abroad.

6) This is an annual residential course for different Christian Missionaries (mostly Catholic) and development workers. The first part is a one-week orientation on socio-cultural issues in Ghana. The second part is a three-week course on cross-cultural communication. This year, there were fifteen (15) participants coming from India, DR Congo, Ghana, Malawi, Indonesia, Angola, Japan, and Brazil.

7) This year the study tour or learning exchange with DKA was organized by the Tamale Institute of Intercultural and language studies (TIICLS). TICCS handled only the village immersion aspect of the DKA program.

Promotional activities:

TICCS has almost completed a memorandum of understanding with the Faculty of Health and Allied

Sciences (HAS) of the Catholic University College of Ghana, (CUCG) Sunyani, which intends to run a Masters program in Public Health starting January, 2019 on the premises of TICCS.

Consult the TICCS website for further information: <http://www.ticcsghana.org/>

Events

Birthdays

In 2018 several AI members celebrate birthdays of particular significance: Gesch and Heisig (75), Cazarotto (70), Soreng (65), and Dungdung (50). *Ad multos annos* to all of you.

Jubilees

Congratulations to the following celebrating SVD vow anniversaries of particular significance in 2018: Knecht and Zimon (60), and Kupisinski and Pereira (40). And to those celebrating significant ordination anniversaries: Gessinger (60), Heisig (50), Cazarotto, S.M. Michael, and Schroeder (40), and Grodz and M.T. Joseph (25),

Best wishes for 2019!

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