The evolutions of Christian Science in scholarly perspective

April 23-24, 2015
Antwerp, Belgium

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Venue: Faculty of Comparative Studies of Religions (FVG). Wilrijk (Antwerpen) Belgium
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Thursday April 23, 2015
9h -10 h Registration
- 10h 30: Pr. Chris Vonck. Rector of the Faculty: Welcome speech.

Chair: Chris Vonck
- 11h. Keynote speaker: Gordon Melton, Baylor University
   Placing Eddy in the Historical Flow: The Role of the Key to the Scriptures

- Régis Dericquebourg, Université de Lille, CNRS
  “Christian Science: the first healing Church.”

12h 30-13h 30: lunch

Chair: Massimo Introvigne

- 13h 30. Shirley Paulson, University of Birmingham
  “Christian Science and its Christian origin”

- 14h. Nawal Issaoui, Université Bordeaux Montaigne
  “Christian Science’s faith healing practice in the United States and Canada: an overview from a historical and legal perspective.”

- 14h 30. Robert Harragin, Claremont Fan Court School, UK
  “The Impact of Christian Science on Political Women in the early 20th Century in UK.”

-15 h. Timothy Rider
  “How does Christian Science Relate to Orthodox Theology?”
- 15h 30. Donald Westbrook, Claremont Graduate University (USA)
“Christian Science and Scientology: Ecclesiologies”

- 16 h. Bernadette Rigal-Cellard, Université Bordeaux Montaigne
“The penetration of Mary Baker Eddy's doctrines in Canada”

Friday April 24. 2015
Chair: Bernadette Rigal-Cellard
- 9h 30  Guy Bucumi
« La théologie de la prospérité chez les évangéliques et la Science chrétienne »

- 10h. Sally Lessiter, Oxford Brookes University
“Architecture of the Church of the Christian Science.”

- 10h 30. Massimo Introvigne, CESNUR
“The Christian Scientist as Artist: From Violet Oakley to Joseph Cornell”

- 11h Concluding discussion

12h -13h Lunch