

## Conference Program

### Saint Thomas Aquinas, a Figure of Evangelical Renewal: Between Foolishness, Tradition, and Reason, the Uncomfortable Position

International Interdisciplinary Conference in Honor of Saint Thomas Aquinas  
on the Occasion of His 800<sup>th</sup> Birthday.

Luxembourg School of Religion & Society  
March 13-14, 2025

In collaboration with  
The Chair for Fundamental Philosophical Issues in Theology and Social Philosophy  
at the Catholic Theological Faculty in Bonn,  
The École biblique et archéologique française de Jérusalem,  
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**March 13, 2025**

1 PM Registration

#### **2 PM Jean Ehret, Opening of the Conference**

*In order to foster a lively exchange and in-depths discussions, all talks (except the opening and the public conference) are organized according to the 20-20-20 system (20 min presentation, 20 min discussion, 20 min break).*

#### **2.30 PM – 5.30 PM The Fire of God**

Chairwoman: Fáinche Ryan

- Paul Murray OP, Four Degrees of Violent Love: The Visionary Genius of Richard of St Victor
- Roger-Marie Yao CSJ, La mission de prédication de l'Église, œuvre par excellence de miséricorde chez saint Thomas d'Aquin
- Gabriel Mary Fiore CSJ, Lessons from the *Lectura super Ioannem* for a Thomistic Approach to Evangelization

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**6.30 PM Eucharist**

**8.00 PM Public Conference**

- Donald Prudlo, The Conversions of Thomas Aquinas

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**8 AM Morning Prayer**

**8.30 – 12.30 PM Evangelical Renewal in and of the Church**

Chairman: Donald Prudlo

- Fáinche Ryan, The Church in the Theology of Thomas Aquinas
- Oleg Davydov, A Comparison between Eastern Orthodox and Thomas Aquinas's Conception of Tradition
- Berhard Blankenhorn OP, Aquinas's Mendicant Ecclesiology : Grace, Charisms, and Institutions.
- Catherine Joseph Droste OP, Aquinas on States of Life: Assisting Renewal

**12.30 PM Sext, followed by Lunch**

**2.30 PM – 5.30 PM Doing Theology in and for a Renewed Church**

Chairwoman: Catherine Joseph Droste OP

- Olivier-Thomas Venard OP, Thomas d'Aquin : portrait d'un dominicain *magister in sacra pagina* en bibliste évangélique
- Sylvain Detoc OP, Oser le « tournant patristique » avec saint Thomas d'Aquin ?
- Volker Leppin, The Church : Serving the Temporal Rulers or Opposing Them ? On the *De Regno*

**5.30 PM Conclusion**

**6 PM Eucharist presided H. Em. Jean-Claude Cardinal Hollerich**

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