

# IARS - WORLD CONFERENCE ON RECONCILIATION

Kibuye, Rwanda: August 1-5, 2023



Against a background of worldwide conflict cycles, the models and perspectives of international reconciliation studies that focus on structural and human components of conflicts, the fourth annual conference for the International Association for Reconciliation Studies in August 2023 will create a space in which the most internationally renowned scholars may explore and contour current reconciliation research against the backdrop of global and contextual challenges. Special consideration of African reconciliation theories from the Great Lakes region as well as related postcolonial, ecological and theological questions of reconciliation will be a focus of the conference.

## August 1st:

15.00: Arrival

18.30: Dinner

20.00: **Welcome Ceremony and Keynote Speech** by Dr. Pascal Bataringaya and Bishop John Rucyahana

## August 2nd:

9:30-11:00: **Panel 1: Reconciliation Studies on and in Africa** (3 presentations à 20 minutes plus 10 minutes discussion)

11:15-12:30: **Panel 2: Reconciliation in Colombia and Rwanda** – (Inter-)Contextual Perspectives (3 presentations à 20 minutes plus 10 minutes discussion)

12:30-14:00: Lunch

14:00-15:30: 2 x 3 working groups with presenters (of each Panel).

15:30-16:00: Coffee break with cookies, cake and bananas

16:00-18:00: **Panel 3: Postcolonial Slavery Studies and Reconciliation** (3 presentations à 20 minutes plus 20 minutes discussion)

18:30: Dinner

20:00: Cultural Program

## August 3rd:

9:30-11:00: **Panel 4: Theories of Reconciliation** (3 presentations à 20 minutes plus 10 minutes discussion)

11:15-12:30: **Panel 5: Theologies of Reconciliation** (3 presentations à 20 minutes plus 10 minutes discussion)

12:30-14:00: Lunch

14:00-15:30: 3 working groups with presenters.

15:30-16:00: Coffee break with cookies, cake and bananas

16:00-18:00: **Panel 6: Ecology and Reconciliation** (3 presentations à 20 minutes plus 10 minutes discussion)

18:30: Dinner

20:00: **Keynote Speech: Fanie du Toit (N.N.)**

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## August 4th:

9:00 – 9:30: Breakfast

9:30-12:00: **IARS Assembly**

11:15-12:30: 3 working groups with presenters.

12:30-14:00: Lunch

14:00-15:30: **“Young Generation meets Bonhoeffer”-Award**

15:30-16:00: Coffee break with cookies, cake and bananas

16:00-17:30: **“Young Generation meets Bonhoeffer”-Award**

18:30: Dinner

20:00: ***Keynote Speech: Wolfgang Huber on Dietrich Bonhoeffer and Reconciliation***

## August 5th:

9:30-10:30: ***Final Discussion (Martin Leiner)***

11.00: Transfer to Kigali airport (Lunchpakete)