

Science and Religion in Media

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Official presentation SRM - Science and Religion in Media



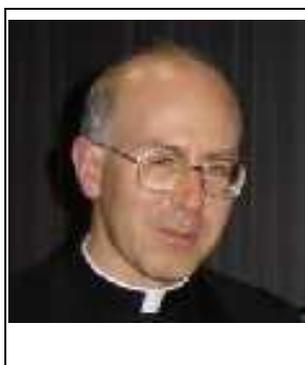
With last 16 October presentation at Pontifical Athenaeum Regina Apostolorum, have officially begun activities of Study Group SRM - Science and Religion in media, directed by Paolo Centofanti, inside Science and Faith Diploma Program of Pontifical Athenaeum Regina Apostolorum.

[Link to SRM presentation](#)

[Link SRM web site](#)

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Official beginning of the activities of Science and Faith Diploma Program



With the first lesson of the Course "Science, Philosophy and Theology, a possible dialogue?", have officially begun the lessons for the academic year 2006-2007 of the Science and Faith Diploma Program, directed by Fr. Rafael Pascual LC, Dean of the School of Philosophy of Pontifical Athenaeum Regina Apostolorum. The course is cured by Fr. Pascual.

[Link to Master presentation](#)

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Matter and antimatter could coexist



An experiment realized at CERN in Geneva, with collaboration of INFN - Italian National Institute for Nuclear Physics, and other important international structures, has demonstrated the possible co-existence of matter and antimatter that, through a chemical reaction, from the union of proton and antiproton, has originated a "protonium".

[Link article](#)

[Link INFN](#)

[Link CERN](#)

Interruption of experimentation on the RU486, the so-called "pill of the day after"



The Committee of Bioethics of the Hospital of Turin has decided to interrupt the experimentation of RU486, the so-called "pill of the day after". The decision has been taken because numerous patients, not being possible to determine the moment of chemically induced abortion, often had aborted outside from the hospital, with eventual health risks, and were obliged too from this problem to request "traditional" abortions in other medical structures.

[Link article on "Avvenire"](#)

New collaborations: "Oriente Occidente" and "Cultura Cattolica"



There are continuing the definitions of agreements and collaborations with structures and institutes involved in science and religion research and studies. SRM has begun new collaboration with "Oriente Occidente", the association directed by Dr. Giuseppe Possedoni, that deals with studies and researches on intercultural dialogue, religion, theology, philosophy. SRM is also defining agreements with "Cultura Cattolica" (www.cultura.cattolica.it).

[Link Oriente Occidente](#)

[Link Cultura Cattolica](#)

Published the definitive lecture of Pope Benedict XVI at Regensburg, with explanation notes



The definitive text of the lecture pronounced by Pope Benedict XVI at the University of Regensburg last September 12, on the topic of the relationship between Faith and reason, has been published integrally in the web page of the Holy See, completed with 13 notes, in German, Italian and English.

For the integral text:

[Zenit](#)

[Holy See](#)

Euthanasia: controversies on the declarations of Don Verzè



Declarations of Don Verzè, the founder of the San Raffaele Hospital of Milan, who declared that years ago he would have detached the thorn of the respirator of a his medical friend, held still alive just by the apparatus, has provoked contrasting reactions and numerous controversies.

Between the opinions, a comment of Prof. Giovanni Federspil, Physician at Padova University.

[Link](#)

[Link articolo de Il Giornale](#)

Euthanasia: reflections on an always "dangerous" issue



A conference last 16 October at Pontifical Athenaeum Regina Apostolorum, organized by the School of Bioethics, held from P. Gonzalo Miranda, University Professor of Bioethics and Moral Theology, has been an opportunity in order to make considerations and critical reflections on the concept of euthanasia and the moral implications of such a practice.

[Link](#) to the complete text and video of the conference, in order to know better and to understand a practise often wrongly considered as a "medical treatment" .

Catholic televisions convention on web



The first world-wide conference of the catholic televisions has been concluded. Organized from the Pontifical Council for Culture, with the collaboration of the Archbishop of Madrid, from the 10 to 12 October, it has hosted participants from more than 50 countries.

www.congresomundialtv.com

Zenit Article ["Un Congresso per dimostrare che la televisione cattolica non è mediocre"](#)

Next activities and events of Science and Faith Diploma Program

Link Science and Faith Diploma Program



Conference of Prof. Costantino Sigismondi: "Francesco Bianchini and large meridians in 18th century"

Tuesday October 24, from 5.10 to 6.40 pm, Pontifical Athenaeum Regina Apostolorum, in the Master Classroom.

Francesco Bianchini made the large meridian of the Basilica of S. Maria degli Angeli, in Roma, and several other large meridians.

The conference, in the centennial of the institution of Parish of the Basilica of S. Maria degli Angeli, from Pope Pius X, is the first one of the cycle of conferences of the Science and Faith Diploma Program, for academical year 2006/2007, on "Scientists and believers".

[Link to Conference](#)



Conference "Organisms and life: interdisciplinary perspectives"

Wednesday October 25, from 9.00 am to 6.00 pm, Pontifical Athenaeum Regina Apostolorum, in the Thesis Classroom.

Annual conference of the **Research Group "Organism in an interdisciplinary perspective"**, directed by **Prof. Ramellini**, inside **Science and Faith Diploma Program**, and connected to **STOQ** Project.

Participants: Prof. Roberto Poli (University of Trento); Prof. Silvia Caianiello (CNR Napoli); Prof. Pier Luigi Luisi (Roma Tre University).

There will be also introduced **new volumes** of **STOQ Series**:

- **The Organism in Interdisciplinary Context**
- **Life and Organisms**

[Link to Convention](#)

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