



LCC International University
Third International Academic Conference
April 9-10, 2010

CALL FOR PAPERS

Responses to Cultural Homogeny: Engagement, Resistance, or Passivity An International Conference on Interdisciplinary Research

Organized to coincide with the United Nations Year of The Rapprochement of Cultures 2010, this conference will bring together scholars from Lithuania, North America and Europe to present research, debate issues, share ideas, generate new questions, and rigorously reflect on the responses to cultural homogeny as reflected across academic disciplines.

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In Plato's *Apology* Socrates is condemned to die by the united masses. Throughout history millions of individual voices have been silenced in the name of the State. In subtler ways mass corporations driven by consumerism have and continue to engulf difference. The many are so often sacrificed for the one, particularity for sameness, nationhood for globalization. Are the unique and particular 'many' a nuisance? Is global 'oneness' a desired good? Can the voices of the many stand out against the conglomerate one? Should they? Has post-modernity succeeded in securing the voices of the many, or have they been lost in a sea of relative sameness? Is the Church by nature of her mission a destroyer of particularity? Can the individualized small scale business survive in a globalized interconnected economic environment? Does the theoretical weakness that comprises cultural homogeny splinter our universities into multiversities, or does it provide the university with a univocal purpose?

We accept papers and posters from academic researchers and university teachers, as well as intellectuals working outside of academia. Students are also encouraged to apply and participate. The language of the conference is English but papers and posters may also be presented in Lithuanian. Paper presentations will be no longer than 15 minutes, with an additional 5 minutes allocated for questions. Posters will be on display throughout the conference with time allocated to meet with the author. Papers presented at the conference will be considered for publication in the journal *LCC Liberal Arts Studies*.

Conference Dates

Abstracts for Paper and Posters Due: February 1, 2010

Early Registration Ends: March 26, 2010

Conference: April 9-10, 2010

Abstract Submission Guidelines can be found at: <http://www.lcc.lt/academic-conference-2010>