



Dear Ladies und Gentlemen,  
dear Members of Ordo socialis,

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as the end of the year is coming nearer, we like to inform you as ever of our work during the last months.

The **presentation of Ordo socialis with the clerical and charity associations** Missio, Misereor, Caritas, Adveniat, Renovabis and Justitia et Pax is finished. As a conclusion of these efforts we can state that the making acquaintance and the linking with these associations are important and make sense but unfortunately have not resulted in an important support of the work of Ordo socialis.

The **international Conference**, prepared since long time and with full engagement by Dr. Thesing, has been held in **Brussels** end November. Following an invitation by the Conrad-Adenauer Foundation, the Catholic Centre of Social Sciences Mönchengladbach and by Ordo socialis, more than 35 economists, philosophers, social moralists and theologians from four continents (Africa, Asia, America, and Europe) met in the European Office of the Foundation in Brussels. Dealt with were issues of the **“business order and social justice in the epoch of globalization”**. The addresses and discussions were centred around the idea if and in which manner could be realized in different cultures the ethical principles of the Catholic Social Teaching with regard to business activities. Important was the personal acquaintance of the Executive Committee and of the members of the Scientific Council as well as the acquaintance of the members each other. You can read the entire short report of the Conference with pictures under [www.ordosocialis.de](http://www.ordosocialis.de). A booklet of the Conference will also be edited. The authors are Dr. Karlies Abmeier and Dr. h. c. Josef Thesing.

Immediately after the Brussels Conference the **annual meeting of the members** took place on 29<sup>th</sup> November 12. Dr. Mohr has retired from his office as **treasurer**. Since 1<sup>st</sup> November Mr. Linnenbrink assumes the function provisionally until a new treasurer has been found. Mr. van den Brook, ancient President of the Pax Bank has been prepared to take over the function of treasurer but for reasons of health he had to dismiss at the moment. With regard to the elections of the Executive Committee Mr. Fetsch and Mr. Linnenbrink have been confirmed in their offices.

The **website of Ordo socialis** now available in five languages can **enjoy of growing members of visitors**. From 8.380 in November 2010 the number of visitors has grown to 19.970 til November 2012. In future the page “Publications” will be classified under aspects of key-points.

**This year the website has been completed by the following new texts:**

**BKU:**

[Mut zur Verantwortung. Eigentümergeverantwortung als Grundlage unserer Wirtschaftsordnung](#)  
(German)

**Borda Herrada, Armando:**

[- Humanismo integral y solidario-para un mundo globalizado](#) (Spanish)

**Brighenti, Agenor:**

- A AÇÃO CATÓLICA E O NOVO LUGAR DA IGREJA NA SOCIEDADE (Portuguese)
- A TRANSCENDÊNCIA COMO ÉTICA ELEMENTOS EPISTEMOLÓGICOS DE UMA QUESTÃO ABERTA E COMPLEXA (Portuguese)
- ESPERANÇA E UTOPIA – ESTATUTO EPISTEMOLÓGICO E FORMAS DE RELAÇÃO (Portuguese)
- O IDEAL DA CONVIVÊNCIA HUMANA À LUZ DA FÉ CRISTÃ (Portuguese)

**Donati, Pierpaolo:**

Pacem in Terris and the principles of subsidiarity: Beyond the misunderstandings (English)

**Drucker, Peter:**

Peter F. Drucker – Management needs Christian Values (German, English)

**Goldschmidt, Niels/Homann Karl:**

- Die gesellschaftliche Verantwortung der Unternehmen-Theoretische Grundlagen für eine praxistaugliche Konzeption (German)

**Gonzales, Dennis:**

- Catholic Political Involvement in the Philippines (English)

**Kasper, Walter Kardinal:**

- Die religiöse und geistliche Dimension des Friedens (German)

**Küppers, Arndt:**

- For Freedom and Justice - At the occasion of the 200th birthday of the workers' bishop Wilhelm Emmanuel von Ketteler (English, French, Spanish, Portuguese)

**Marx, Reinhard Kardinal:**

- Towards a Moral Economy: Policies and Values for the 21st Century"- Keynote Address: A Global - Social Market Economy in Response to the Challenges of the 21st Century Speech at the Department of Economics in Chicago 31.05.2012 (German)

**Minnerath, Roland Erzbischof:**

- Pacem in Teris. *Quid novi?* (English, French)

**Nduku, Elizabeth:**

- Catholic Social Teaching and Social Development in Africa (English)

**Nothelle-Wildfeuer, Ursula:**

- Market and morality? Impulses of the catholic social doctrine and of the evangelic social ethics for the furthering of the social market economy. Address to the study group "Politics, Church, Economy", Düsseldorf, (English)
- Los principios sociales de la doctrina social católica (Spanish., Portuguese)
- Gerechtigkeit auf Zukunft hin. Sozialethische Aspekte der Generationengerechtigkeit (German)

**Ratzinger, Josef:**

- Summary of Post-Synodal Apostolic Exhortation "Africae munus" (English)

**Roos, Lothar:**

- Sozialethische Grundlagen und Aufgaben einer Kultur der Nachhaltigkeit (German)

**Schallenberg Peter, Berenz Thomas:**

- Social market economy for Europe? (German, English, French, Spanish, Portuguese)

**Schambeck, Herbert:**

- The human rights in the doctrine of the Catholic Church (English)
- Der Staat als Beschützer der Menschenrechte und als Abwehr der Bedrohung der Ordnung. (German)

**Sekret. d. dt. Bischofskonferenz:**

- Committed to God's Creation  
Suggestions for a Sustainable Approach to Energy - An expert report on the ethical foundations of a sustainable energy supply (English)

**Thesing, Josef:**

- Catholic Social Teaching and Political Reform Processes in Africa (English)

**Tietmeyer, Hans:**

- Ways to improve the order and governance in globalizing economic and financial markets (English)

**Turkson, Peter Kardinal: Justitia et Pax**

- Vacation of the business leader – A reflection (German, English)

**Vogt, Marcus:**

- Soziale Marktwirtschaft im Anspruch des Aristotelischen Gerechtigkeitsmodells (German)

**Wallacher, Johannes:**

- Mehrwert Glück. Plädoyer für menschengerechtes Wirtschaften (German)

**Zamagni, Stefano:**

- [Europe and the idea of a civil economy\\_\(English\)](#)
- [Globalization: Guidance from Franciscan Economic Thought and “Caritas in veritate” \(English\)](#)

In the most cases these are contributions from new members of the Scientific Council and translations of texts already available in German into the four website foreign languages.

**We wish you and your families God’s blessing for 2013.**

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