



Dear Ladies and Gentlemen,
Dear members of Ordo socialis,

December 2010

Christmas and the New Year come nearer, a special opportunity to inform on the work of the last half year.

Ordo socialis is the outcome of the Congress “The Church and the economy in the responsibility for the future of the world economy” held **1985** in Rome. 2010 was really a **jubilee year** which brought about for us good results and innovations.

First of all the most recent innovation: our **new website** is online since 30th November 2010. It has been structured according to our wishes by the firm 1punkt0 in Cologne. Thus the mission of the members’ assembly 2009 to review the website is accomplished. Apart from the new optics it excels particularly by a search function allowing the quick access to texts. Please test under www.ordosocialis.de!

The two “China-tomes”, above all the Chinese translation of the “Christian Social Teaching” by J. Höffner found large interest. Here the ISBN-no:

Höffner: 978-7-5617-7716-9, **Peschke/Werhahn:** 978-7-5617-7712-1

The issue which further projects are important and senseful in China was discussed at the beginning of October 2010 at a meeting in the **China-Zentrum e.V. of the Steyler-missionaries at St. Augustin**. Here it became clear that due to the high rate of illiterates in China much cannot be achieved by text offers alone. Above all the professional education of young Chinese clergymen would be important. After their return they could make known their ideas of the Christian social doctrine or disseminate them. This of course largely exceeds the possibilities of Ordo socialis. The idea of granting an **Ordo-socialis-award** came about. Such a public distinction of persons with merits in the Christian social doctrine would be of high importance in Africa, Asia and Latin-America.

Interesting impulses and ideas were resulting from the dialogue group “**Global World and Social Justice: Subjects and Challenges of the Future**” including professors and experts in social ethics. The Konrad-Adenauer-Foundation, the Catholic Social Sciences Centre and Ordo socialis all together held on 8th October 2010 an interesting and successful exchange of views. Members of our scientific council also attended.

A possible **closer cooperation** between **Missio Aix-la-Chapelle** and **Ordo socialis** was discussed with Dr. von Fürstenberg, vice-president of Missio Aix-la-Chapelle. The question of assistance with translations had priority.

“Global World and Responsibility” was the subject of **the address by Prof. Dr. Bernhard Vogel**, convened by Ordo socialis together with the Cologne diocesan group of the BKU (Association of Catholic Entrepreneurs). The event took place on 21st October 2010 in the Karl-Rahner-Academy, unfortunately with a small number of participants.

Our **members’ assembly** took already place in September. The minutes were forwarded to all members.

Website:

Our website has been completed this year by the following new texts:

Prof. Dr. Michael Bordt S.J.:

Zu viel Pathos, zu wenig Moral - Es fehlt eine breite öffentliche Diskussion über die ethischen Aspekte der Euro-Finanz- und Wirtschaftskrise

Joseph Cardinal Höffner:

- *Doctrina Social Cristiana* (Christliche Gesellschaftslehre – Spanish)

Prof. Dr. Ursula Nothelle-Wildfeuer:

- Markt und Moral? Impulse der katholischen Soziallehre und evangelischen Sozialethik zur Fortentwicklung der Sozialen Marktwirtschaft (Vortrag beim PKW-Arbeitskreis Düsseldorf)

- *Marché et morale? Impulsions de la doctrine sociale catholique et de l'éthique évangélique pour le progrès de l'économie de marché sociale* (Discours près le groupe d'études "Politique, Eglise, Economie" Düsseldorf)

- *The anthropological and the ethical focus of the globalization* – The fundamental statements of the Social Encyclical Pope Benedict XVI. *Caritas in veritate*

- *Le Foyer anthropologique et Ethique de la Mondialisation*

Les Déclarations Fondamentales de l'Encyclique Sociale du Pape Benoît XVI *Caritas in Veritate*

Reinhard Cardinal Marx:

- *Auf dem Weg aus der Krise - Die Katholische Soziallehre als Kompass*

Gastbeitrag für: "Die Ordnung der Wirtschaft", FAZ, Erscheinungsdatum: 18-12-2009

Prof. Dr. Anton Rauscher:

- *La Doctrine Sociale Catholique et son importance pour notre ordre social et ses défis actuels*

(Rapport à l'occasion de la commémoration annuelle de Joseph Cardinal Höffner le 19 Octobre 2008 à Cologne)

Prof. em Dr. Lothar Roos:

- *Unternehmerisches Handeln gemäß der Enzyklika „Caritas in veritate“* (Grüne Seite BKU-Journal Sept.09)

- *Les Activités d'Entrepreneur en la Lumière de l'Encyclique „Caritas in veritate“*

Prof. Dr. Herbert Schambeck :

- *Is the Global Authority a Feasible Solution*

- *Les droits de l'homme en la doctrine de L'Eglise catholique*

Prof. Dr. Alfred Schüller:

- *Globalisierung als Ordnungsaufgabe - Die Sicht des Ordnungsökonom*

- *Krisenprävention als Ordnungspolitische Aufgabe*

Prof. Dr. Hans-Werner Sinn:

- *Lessons from the Crisis*

Prof. Dr. Franz Josef Stegmann:

- *Social Market Economy and Morality - Contradictory or Complementary?*

Dr. Johannes von Thadden:

- *Internationale Soziale Marktwirtschaft - Perspektiven für einen globalen Ordnungsrahmen*

- *Globalisierung der Weltwirtschaft - Eine Thesenreihe*

Prof. Dr. Hans Tietmeyer:

- *Welche Art von Regulierung - Plenarsitzung der Päpstlichen Akademie der Sozialwissenschaften (PASS) 03-05-2010*

- *What kind of regulation - Plenary Session of the pontifical academy for Social Sciences (PASS)*

The following texts are envisaged or in work for the website:

- English translations of German contributions by **Prof. Dr. U. Nothelle-Wildfeuer, Prof. Dr. A. Rauscher und Prof. Dr. H. Schambeck**

- **Margaret S. Archer: The current Crisis**

- **Cardinal Josef Höffner: Christian Social Teaching** – French (The French translation by Prof. Dr.

R.Goudjo/Benin is actually reviewed by Mrs. Elmendorff-Pfeifer, certified interpreter, as agreed with Prof. Goudjo).

- **Prof. Dr. Vittorio Höslé:** Ethics and Economics, or How Much Egoism Does Modern Capitalism Need? Machiavelli's, Mandeville's and Malthus's New Insight and its Challenge
- **Prof. Dr. L. Leeb:** Further Chinese publications
- **Prof. Dr. R. Minnerath:** Persons and families in the context of uncertainty
- **Prof. Dr. W.Ockenfels:** Ten Commandments for the Business Community - French
- **Vittorio Possenti:** The Governance of Globalization: Global Political Authority, Solidarity and Subsidiarity
- **Prof. Dr. J. Stegmann:** Further English texts
- **Dr. h.c. J.Thesing:** Política, Economía y Ética (Economic, Policy and Ethics)

The actual Ordo socialis flyer in German and English can be requested for publicity purpose with the BKU-secretariat or with Mrs. Kaltefleiter. As our work is dependant upon donations we may ask you to draw the attention of your friends and acquaintances on Ordo socialis. Many thanks.



We wish you and your families merry Christmas and a happy year 2011.

Sincerely Yours

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