

**International Scientific Conference: Nature and Spirituality**  
**December 6, 2025, 14:30 (Ljubljana, Beograd), Online,**  
**(via Zoom: <https://uni-lj-si.zoom.us/j/98469796263>, ID: 984 6979 6263)**

**PROGRAM**

**14:30-14:35 Welcome speeches**

Dean of the Faculty of Theology at the University of Ljubljana **Tadej Stegu**, PhD, Asst.  
President of the Organizing Committee **Ivan Platovnjak**, PhD, Assc. Prof.

*(Chairperson: Ivan Platovnjak)*

*Lectures*

- 14:35-14:55 **Tone Svetelj** (USA): *Positive and Negative Sides of Secularist Relations to Nature in Charles Taylor's Thought*
- 14:55-15:10 **Daniel Miščin** (Croatia): *Heidegger's Hölderlin, Spirituality, and Nature*
- 15:10-15:25 **Erika Prijatelj** (Slovenia, USA): *Nature and the Human Mind: Psychological and Spiritual Processes in Integral Human Development*
- 15:25-15:40 **Wojciech Zyzak** (Poland): *Theological Foundations for Ecological Spirituality. Reflections based on Pope Francis' Encyclical Letter Laudato sí*
- 15:40-16:15 Discussion and Break

*(Chairperson: Tone Svetelj)*

*Lectures*

- 16:15-16:30 **Durica Pardon** (Croatia): *Your Immortal Spirit is in all things (Wis 12:1). The Eco-Theological Dimension of Biblical Wisdom Literature*
- 16:30-16:45 **Vicente Chong** (USA): *Retrieving the Symbol of the Heart in a Heartless World*
- 16:45-17:00 **Rok Bečan** (Spain): *The Natural Contemplation of Evagrius Ponticus*
- 17:00-17:15 **Ivan Platovnjak** (Slovenia): *Contemplating the Goodness and Beauty of Nature as a Path to Ecological Conversion*
- 17:15-17:45 Discussion and Break

*(Chairperson: Erika Prijatelj)*

*Lectures*

- 17:45-18:00 **Workineh Kelbessa** (Ethiopia): *Oromo Ecotheology and Its Impact on the Environment*
- 18:00-18:15 **Ahmet Taşkın** (Türkiye): *"Loving the Created for the Sake of the Creator": An Islamic Contribution to Ecological Spirituality*
- 18:15-18:30 **Arokiaraj Joseph Patrick SJ** (India): *Raimon Panikkar's Cosmotheandric Spirituality and Ecological Healing*
- 18:30-18:45 **Jagadeeswaraiah Murala** (India): *Nature, a Divine Manifestation: Spirituality of Nature, an Indian Perspective*
- 18:45-19:00 Discussion
- 19:00 Conclusion