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## Preface

The 15-th issue of *International Journal of Theology, Philosophy and Science* (November 2024) presents scientific and theoretical articles on various aspects, all of them centred on the area of Philosophy, Theology, and Science.

In the first article is GOD'S NATURE, POWERS, LAWS, SCIENCE PERFORMED: THEOLOGICAL, PHILOSOPHICAL, SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH, signed by Ph.D. Professor M. B. DASTAGIRI. The Theological schools philosophy is that God manifest through the universe. The natural world designed by Universal Laws. These laws outperform religion, philosophy, school of thoughts. Biblical scriptures revealed the mystery of God.

The next article is called: 'OPENNESS' TO OTHER FAITHS QUESTIONED. In this article Ph.D. Professor Marc GRENIER, preview and critique the Moyaert-D'Costa debates as a way of answering a pivotal question still very much pertinent to contemporary biblical scholarship: to what extent, if at all, can the tensive relationship between faith identity and openness to other faiths be realized. The next study, by Ph.D. Professor George Daniel PETROV, has title THE MEANING OF LIFE. PHILOSOPHY VERSUS THEOLOGY PHILOSOPHICAL MORAL NIHILISM VERSUS MORAL THEOLOGY FROM AN ANTHROPOLOGICAL PERSPECTIVE. The dichotomous structure of the human person defines it as a being who transcends time and space in search of perfection. Nothing in the materiality of the created world can rest the soul of man, which is permanently in a movement incomprehensible to rationality, towards the Absolute.

Ph.D. Professor Sorin BUTE proposes our readers' two articles dedicated to interdisciplinary subject: THE INTERSECTION OF PHILOSOPHY AND MEDICINE IN THE BRAIN DEATH DEBATE. The debate on brain death as equivalent to human death involves complex philosophical and medical dimensions. Initially guided by scientific criteria, the discussion now incorporates philosophical arguments questioning whether brain death genuinely signifies the end of human life. Key contributions from various commissions highlight the role of the brain in maintaining the organism's integrative functions, but philosophers argue this extends beyond empirical medical knowledge.

THE HIERARCHICAL RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN THE DEGREES RESULTING FROM THE "HIERARCHIA ORDINIS" AND THE "HIERARCHIA JURISDICTIONIS". CANONICAL-LEGAL STUDY is the scientific research presented by Ph.D. Professor Cătălina MITITELU. The canonists of the Eastern and Western Churches have examined and defined the hierarchical relationship between the degrees resulting from the "hierarchia ordinis" and the "hierarchia jurisdictionis" and the manner of exercising the two ecclesiastical powers, i.e., the sacramental power (potestas ordinis) and the governing power (potestas regiminis) or jurisdictional power, through the prism of the dogmatic and canonical doctrine of their Church. Professor Ph.D. Anton SAVELOVICI propose the last article of our Journal, entitled: THE PASTORAL AND SOCIAL DIMENSION OF ORTHODOX HOMILETICS: FROM TRADITION TO THE CHALLENGES OF THE MODERN WORLD. After this, the book of Mr. Ionut Vladescu: Ontologia timpului ca sens spre eternitate/Ontology of Time as Meaning towards Eternity (Presa Universitara Clujeană, 2024) is review by PhD. Professor Ioan Alexandru TOFAN.

International Journal of Theology, Philosophy and provides the opportunity to examine the altogether truth-claims found in theology, philosophy and sciences.

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