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From the desk of the coordinator

In the words of former Superior General Antonio Pernia, **Anthropos Institute (AI) should “act as the guardian of the Anthropos tradition of the Society”** (*VERBUM SVD* 45, 1 (2004), 34). This issue of *Interlink* presents the 2020 activities of AI individuals and institutions, dedicated to the social and religious sciences, within the global network of Anthropos Institute International (AII). These efforts contribute to academic scholarship and the continuation of the Anthropos tradition of the Arnoldus family.

The **Coordinating Council of Anthropos Institute International** consists of Roger Schroeder (USC) as Coordinator; and Stanislaus Grodz (GER) and Michael Sebastian Maria (INM) as members of the Council. They held Council meetings on February 10, 2020 (via SKYPE), and April 20, 2020 and May 28, 2020 (via ZOOM). The agenda of those meetings included: financial update on AI-Sankt Augustin, future personnel issues for the journal, update of the AI International website, and the *Anthropology and Mission* publication. Other committee business was conducted by email.

Book publication on the occasion of the 90th anniversary of Anthropos Institute. Much of the effort of the Coordinating Council in 2020 and into 2021 has been on the publication of this volume. The contents were revised and finalized and authors were invited to contribute (mostly AI members, but also non-SVD academics). The chapters were due in March 2021. Each member of the Coordinating Council is a subeditor for one of the three subsections.

As of April 2021, there are thirty-eight full AI members, two emeriti, and five associate members for a total of forty-five members. Associate member **Ernest Brandewie died on March 27, 2021.**

Schroeder was able to meet personally in February 2020 (pre-COVID) the following AI members in Sankt Augustin, Germany: Vinsensius Gunawan Adi, Othmar Gächter, Günther Gessinger, Grodz, Joachim Piepke, and Darilus Piwowarczyk. He had email communication with all members.

In October 2020, the SVD Generalate established a **Committee on the Future of Anthropos Sankt Augustin Institute**, which consists of Jude Raymond Festin (General Council member), Darius Piwowarczyk (Convener; Editor-in-Chief of

Anthropos journal), Dariusz Garbaciak (Generalate Treasurer), Christian Tauchner (Editor of *VERBUM SVD* journal), Konrad Liebscher (German Province Treasurer), and Roger Schroeder (AII coordinator). They had their first meeting on December 16, 2020, via ZOOM.

A number of AI members continued in 2020 to be involved in activities related to the interculturality themes and resolutions of the **2012 and 2018 SVD General Chapters**. This includes a joint three-week program (Spanish and English) on “Spirituality and Interculturality” in Steyl, the Netherlands, in January-February 2020. The SVD and SSpS General Councils had reconstituted the **Resource Committee for Interculturality (RCI)** in 2019 with five SVD and five SSpS, including three AI members: S.M. Michael (INM), Roger Schroeder (USC), Janet Tellis (India). Most members of the RCI was very involved with organizing, facilitating, participating in, and giving presentations for an 8-day ZOOM program, sponsored by the International Union of Superiors General (UISG) on interculturality and leadership for 240 Sisters from 90 congregations (including the SSpSAP) in four languages. They continue to extend their work in intercultural living and mission to many **other men’s and women’s religious congregations** around the world.

AI members are strongly encouraged to submit articles and write book reviews for the *Anthropos* journal. If interested, contact our editor Dariusz Piwowarczyk at editorial@anthropos.eu.

The website for Anthropos Institute International is in the process of being updated

<https://www.anthropos.eu/anthropos/institute/index.php>. AI members are invited to send the following to Grodz at grodz@anthropos.eu for inclusion on our website: individual professional bio (and website link), and a paragraph description and website link for institutes with some AI affiliation. The **homepage** of Anthropos Institute on the SVD Curia website (<http://www.svdcuria.org>) also provides general information.

Please contact me, regarding any business related to the international network of Anthropos Institute at rschroeder@ctu.edu. Best wishes for the remainder of 2021!

Roger Schroeder, SVD
International Coordinator of Anthropos Institute

Publications of the Institute

The **official publications of the Institute** are entrusted to the **Editorial Board at Anthropos Institute St. Augustin**.

Staff

The Editorial Board at Anthropos Institut Sankt Augustin consists of: 5 SVDs (Dariusz Piwowarczyk – the Editor-in-Chief, Vincensius Adi Gunawan, Joachim Piepke, Othmar Gächter, Stanislaw Grodz) and 5 part-time lay co-workers (Birgit Lenz-Volland – reviews, Ernst-Heinrich Profener – editorial work, Andrea Mück-Sommershoff – administration, editorial support, Harald Grauer – librarian, editorial support, Qianheng Zhao – digitalisation; editorial support). Ernst-Heinrich Profener is our new staff member since 1 April 2020. He has

taken over part of the work from Mrs Lenz-Volland. She reached her retirement age but uses a possibility to still working with us part time (until March 2022). With her years-long experience, she is a valuable staff member.

We are facing again a significant staff problem. Piepke and Gächter help out in editorial work but they are retirees (77 and 79 years old respectively). Piwowarczyk has been the editor-in-chief for the last 12 years and indicates that he would gladly hand the post over. We do not have a successor. We need someone with “the proper” anthropological training for that post. The current SVD staff members – Adi Gunawan and Grodz – do not meet that condition (they are an ethnomusicologist and a study of religion scholar respectively). The issue is also relevant in connection to our contract with Nomos-Academia Verlag. The current contract expires at the end of 2022. By the end of 2021 we have to be clear whether we could renew the contract (if Nomos upholds its interest). Given the fact that 60-70% of the articles appear now in English, a native speaker (with some anthropological training) will be a very valuable staff member.

Publications

1. *Anthropos* 2020 (vol. 115) – two issues of 691 pages – were published and sent out to subscribers (June and December). Vol. 115 contains 28 articles + 6 texts in the section “Reports and Commentaries” (including 2 obituaries) and 126 book reviews. The section “Survey of Journals” offers an overview of the contents of some 140 journals specialized in the field of social and religious studies. For the 1st time we also added ca. 25 journals published in Open Access.

Seven SVDs contributed to the contents of the journal: Joachim Piepke, Piotr Adamek, Darius J. Piwowarczyk, Zdzislaw Kupisinski, Othmar Gächter, Peter Knecht, Alexander Rödlach.

The following articles in both issues are directly relevant to the SVD and its mission:

* Joachim Piepke, The Yeti Does Exist after All. Franz Xaver Eichinger’s Field Notes about His Encounter with the “Abominable Snowman” in 1949, 1-8

* Piotr Adamek, Obituary. Roman Malek SVD, 181-184

* Darius J. Piwowarczyk, Family Transformation in the Colonial Context of German Togo, 459-467

* Marisol Palma Behnke, Diario del tercer viaje de Martín Gusinde a Tierra del Fuego (1921-1922). Introducción y comentario a la traducción y publicación del documento inédito. Parte II, 483-502

* Zdzislaw Kupisinski, Remembrance of the Deceased in Annual Rituals in Poland. Tradition and Modernity, 527-533

Anthropos is available on JSTOR. NOMOS gives the subscribers full access to the electronic version of the journal via its eLibrary (the current and the most recent issues). The list of contents with articles’ abstracts and the link to eLibrary are available at: <http://www.anthropos.eu/anthropos>. A few old volumes (100.2005-111.2016) feature there in an OpenAccess form, i.e. one can read the texts of the articles (not only abstracts).

2. *Collectanea Instituti Anthropos* (CIA)

(CIA 52) “P. Johann Frick SVD: Mao schlieft in meinem Bett. Erinnerungen eines Chinamissionars 1931-1952”, herausgegeben von J.G. Piepke, Baden-Baden: Academia Verlag, 2020, 354 pp. ISBN 978-3-89665-911-8

3. *Anthropology & Mission*
No. 61 (July 2020) with information about 32 books (prepared by O. Gächter and V. Adi Gunawan) and 12 articles (prepared by J. Piepke, D. Piwowarczyk, V. Adi Gunawan and S. Grodz).

No. 62 (December 2020) with information about 30 books (prepared by O. Gächter and V. Adi Gunawan) and 11 articles (prepared by J. Piepke, D. Piwowarczyk, V. Adi Gunawan, S. Grodz).

The bulletin appears only electronically at the Website of Anthropos:

(<http://www.anthropos.eu/anthropos/publications/anthropology-and-mission/index.php>).

Reports by Individual Members

These reports include publications, conference papers, teaching and other activities/events during 2020. Materials in press will normally be mentioned when they appear. Members, however, sometimes also report on their works in progress to communicate what they are currently working on. These reports reflect the great diversity and depth of the work of the members of Anthropos Institute.

There are 26 individual reports.

Joachim Andrade

Andrade **completed a Post-doctorate** in Missiology on the theme: Interculturalidade como novo paradigma da missão: Perspectiva Latino-americana (Interculturality as new paradigm of mission: Latin American perspective).

CONGRATULATIONS!

Teaching

1. In the Claretian Faculty – STUDIUM THEOLOGICUM – Sociology of Religion, Ecumenism and Inter-

Religious Dialogue and Missiology. Subjects extended into two semesters.

2. In the Faculty of Vincentians Fathers, he taught Theological anthropology, Comparative study of religions and Ecumenism.

3. In the Pontifical Catholic University of Paraná, he is the professor of the department of Theology and Philosophy, having classes for the graduation and post-graduation as well.

4. Courses on Interculturality and mission; Mission spirituality; Intercultural formation for the religious congregations in different parts of Brazil.

5. Missiology classes for the post graduate students in the Faculty of John Paul II, Marília São Paulo.

6. Missiology classes for the post graduate students in Porto Velho, Rondônia (Faculty of Amazon) .

Publications

Book:

ANDRADE, J. Taoísmo: o caminho da natureza. Editora Intersaberes, Curitiba, 2020.

Articles:

1. ANDRADE, J. RASCHIETTI, S. Decolonial thought and the Christian mission: Latin American Perspective, IN: Pistis, Curitiba, 2020 . pp. 83-98.

2. ANDRADE, J. Da plenitude à ecologia integral: apelos do Sínodo da Amazônia para as relações dialogais. IN: Caminho de Diálogo, Curitiba, ano 8 no, 12, p. 22 – 33. jan/jun 2020.

3. ANDRADE., J. Teoria do karma, sistema das castas e conceito da reencarnação e seu impacto na sociedade indiana: uma leitura antropológica. IN: Basilíade – Revista de Filosofia, Curitiba, v. 2, n. 4, p. 85-98, jul./dez. 2020.

4. ANDRADE, J.; NUNES, M. V. S. . Batuque Afro-Gaúcho e (In) visibilidade Identitária. Revista Relicário, v. 5, p. 52-65, 2019.

5. ALVES, D e ANDRADE, J.

Antropologia e teologia da montanha: diálogo entre divino e humano nas montanhas do Timor-Leste. IN: SANCHES, M; ALVES, D; MAIA, J. (Org) TIMOR-LESTE EM ESTUDO – RELIGIÃO E CULTURA, outubro 2020.

6. TAÇAIN, J. ; ANDRADE, J. Colaboração da Congregação do Verbo Divino na implementação da política de planejamento familiar no Timor-Leste. IN: SANCHES, M; ALVES, D; MAIA, J. (Org) TIMOR-LESTE EM ESTUDO – RELIGIÃO E CULTURA, outubro 2020.

Carl Milos Bulilan

Bulilan is Vice President for Academic Affairs in SVD Holy Name University, Bohol, the Philippines.

José Luiz Cazarotto

Cazarotto reported the following: “This year I had a ‘speed reduction’ in my activities due to the restraints of our health situation.... Even so, I published an article dealing with urbanism and anthropology, precisely, “From technè to poiesis: the [mis]fortunes of a monument”. Making a bridge between anthropology and education, and dealing with the five years of the Mariana dam rupture and its impact in the environment and the life of people. I wrote a story for children: “History of the Rio Doce in its own words” (from the very beginning of the river until today). As a didactic technique, I gave voice to the river letting him tell its own history. Having in mind a more historical realm, with other researchers, we built up a “Cultural References Inventory” of the city of Governador Valadares that would help the schools to improve the consciousness about the history and culture of this region.”

Bhaskar Das

Das is currently serving as Assistant Professor of Anthropology at DHSK College, Dibrugarh, Assam (India).

Publication

(Jointly edited (with AI member Dr. K. Jose SVD) a book on *Covid-19: Anguish, Resilience & Determination*. (Currently in press)

Radio Presentations

1. Participated in a group discussion as a moderator on ‘Use of Mobile Phones by Students’ at All India Radio, Dibrugarh on 24th February, 2020.

2. Delivered a talk on ‘Practicing Anthropology and Health’ for All India Radio (University Broadcast) on 2nd October, 2020.

Participation in Webinars organized by AI member Dr. K. Jose SVD for Sanskriti-NEICR, Guwahati, Assam (India)

1. First online Memorial Lecture in honour of late Dr. Jayanta Madhab. The Lecture was delivered by Dr. Mukesh Kumar Shrivastava of NIRD-NERC.

2. Webinar on Research Priorities in North East India.

3. Webinar on Research Priorities in Manipur.

4. Webinar on Research Priorities in Assam.

5. Webinar on Research Priorities in Tripura.

6. Online Memorial Lecture in honour of late Chief Minister of Assam Mr. Tarun Gogo.

7. Webinar on Research Priorities in Arunachal Pradesh.

Other activities

He also participated in three online Faculty Development Programs and five online seminars.

Norbert Foerster

Foerster was appointed bishop of the diocese of Ji-Parana in the Amazon area of Brazil in December 2020.

Othmar Gächter

Gächter is a member of the Editorial Board of *Anthropos*. He is co-editor with Vinsensius Adi Gunawan of the “Review of Books” in *Anthropology & Mission* 2020/61+62.

Publication of a book review:

Chatterji, Angana P., Thomas Blom Hansen, and Christophe Jaffrelot (eds.): *Majoritarian State. How Hindu Nationalism Is Changing India*. London: C. Hurst, 2019. 537 pp. *Anthropos* 115.2020: 555–557.

Joshua Awienagua Gariba

Gariba is now on the faculty of the University of Ghana, Legon, where he taught the following courses: Introduction to Social Anthropology, Societies and Cultures of Africa, and Diversity of Peoples and Cultures, for level 400 and 100 students of the University of Ghana, Legon.

Publications

1. An article “Owners versus Strangers: The land conflict between the people of Alavanyo and Nkonya and the practice of othering” in the *Ghana Sociological and Anthropological Association Journal*.

2. He reviewed two papers for *The Journal of Society and Media* belonging to the Universitas Negeri Surabaya, Indonesia.

Other activities

1. Continued to offer service to his Alma Mater, The Catholic University of Leuven, Belgium as a member of the Alumni Advisory Council.

2. For two years he works as a member of a National Committee made up of experts in various fields empaneled by the National Catholic Bishops Conference to write out a Ratio Nationalis for seminary formation Ghana. The document was finally produced in November, 2020 and will be circulated to all seminaries in Ghana.

3. In October, 2020, Gariba was made chairman of a National Committee put together by the Conference of Major Superiors of Religious Congregations in Ghana to produce a working document for the establishment of a Theological Institute for the academic training of seminarians from the various religious institutes. This work is ongoing.

Patrick Gesch

Gesch is Professor at Divine Word University (DWU) in Madang, Papua New Guinea. Professional Activities:

1. He had been working on a paper giving an update on “A Universalising Religion in Dialoluge with a Traditional Village Religion” which was to be presented at the ASPAMIR conference in Kupang in April, which was cancelled due to the corona virus.

2. Over the course of some years, Gesch has been listed as a co-author by Dr Clement Manineng of Divine Word University, Madang, as he wrote papers from a medical point of view on the renewal of traditional male circumcision rites from the initiation ceremonies. He has completed seven articles, such as, the following: Manineng, C., MacLaren D., Baigry, M., Trowalle, E., Muller, R., Valley, A., Gesch, P., Hombhanje, F., McBride, WJH. Re-establishing safer medical-circumcision-integrated initiation ceremonies for HIV prevention in a rural setting in Papua New Guinea. A multi-method acceptability study. *PLOS ONE*, 12 (11): e0187577.

On the basis of this he has been awarded a PhD from James Cook University in Townsville, Australia. Gesch was consulted for his familiarity with the initiation ceremonies in a number of societies in the Yangoru-Saussia area and other areas as well, for reading and revision of the articles, and was part of the consultation with the community.

3. Gesch will be visiting village communities that he has had longer relationship with (40 years) to find out what is happening in the traditional village environment now.

Teaching

1. Gesch's main occupation is as Head for the PNG and International Studies Department of Divine Word University, Madang. They have been trying to meld the two fields: a humanities study of Papua New Guinea embracing culture, politics and community development; with an outward looking positioning of the Nation in the International community.

2. Besides general anthropological studies, he teaches Traditional Village Religions, and he situates this tradition in a position of dialogue with Christianity. This can be a struggle given a long history of missionaries condemning practices from before, and a documented outcome now of satanising the remaining traditions in some evangelical forms of Christianity.

Günther Gessinger

Gessinger, after prolonged hospitalizations in 2018-2019, returned to regular work in the Anthropos Library and Archives. Since then, he had concluded the following projects.

1. Registration on library file cards of the so-called Bernhard Library within our Anthropos Library. Some forty years ago our AI had agreed to keep the private library of Professor Franz Bernhard, deceased in 1971, as a separate entity within our general library at the service of our review and book series. The Bernhard Library contains 3114 books and brochures and 627 Separata within 18 thematic sections mainly of linguistic subdivisions, since Prof. Bernhard was a prominent linguist primarily in ancient indo-european languages.

2. Since our various older and more

recent maps are kept on four different places, he presented to the Assembly three pages of orientation about where to find any specific map registered in six regional and six other categories in our conference hall and an adjacent reading room and on the upper level of our central depot, where mainly ethnological literature is kept in five continental sections and another special section LAGEM (books loaned to us).

3. On the ground floor of our depot we keep books and papers by former and present members of the Anthropos Institute under two different signatures Archivum M and Archivum L and in brief-cases arranged in alphabetical order (the latter section also containing papers by contributors to Anthropos publications other than SVD-members). To facilitate access to these materials he has (in addition to our file cards) opened two registers in folders, one for the Archivum M and the Archivum L and an additional one for the brief-cases (in German "Sammelmappen SM") under the headings: Generalia, Varii Auctores (Anthropologi, linguistics, Science of Religion) and of brief-cases containing papers by Anthropos-contributors arranged in alphabetical order. He continues to work on checking through all the publications under the signatures Archivum L.

Philip Gibbs

Gibbs as the Deputy President in 2020, had a lot of administrative work at Divine Word University. On January 1st 2021, he started as the Univeristy President. Nevertheless he has taken a chance to do some research work in the village setting and at the University - some of it together with University students. The 2020 publications are as follows:

Publications:

1. Witchcraft Accusations and Hybrid Formulations in Papua New Guinea. On

Knowing Humanity Journal 4(1), pp. 65-68.

2. Fiona Hukula, Miranda Forsyth, Philip Gibbs, The Importance of Messaging for COVID-19. What can we learn from messaging against Sorcery Accusation Related Violence? The National Research Institute, PNG. Blog 159. <https://pngnri.org/index.php/blog/159-the-importance-of-messaging-for-covid-19-what-can-we-learn-from-messaging-against-sorcery-accusation-related-violence-2>

3. Papua New Guinea, in T. Johnson & G Zurlo eds, World Christian Encyclopedia, 3rd ed. Edinburgh University Press, pp. 626-630.

4. Noble Traditions and Christian Principles: The Integral Spirituality of Bernard Narokobi The Journal of Pacific History, vol 55, 2: 220-234. <https://doi.org/10.1080/00223344.2020.1759411>

5. Kylie McKenna, L. Yakam, P. Gibbs, J. Ezekiel, J. Ulno. Social perspectives of different age and gender groups in selected communities in Western Highlands, Jiwaka and Madang Provinces, in PNG. DWU Research Journal, Vol 32, pp. 22-45.

6. I. Kolodziejczyk, P. Gibbs, C. Nembou, M. Sagrista. Digital Skills at Divine Word University, Papua New Guinea. IAFOR Journal of Education: Technology in Education 8 (2), pp. 107-124.

7. Hexenwahn in Papua New Guinea. Fallstudie Christina. Missio Internationalis Katholisches Missionswerk e.V. Aachen 2020. Germany.

8. Sorcery Accusation-Related Violence in Papua New Guinea. Christina - a case study. Missio Internationalis Katholisches Missionswerk e.V. Aachen 2020. Germany.

9. Development of the Federation of

Catholic Bishops Conferences for Oceania. In B. Green and K.A. Kanongata'a (Eds.) Weaving Theology in Oceania: Culture, Context and Practice. Cambridge Scholars Publishing, Newcastle upon Tyne, pp. 219-228.

10. P Gibbs and Jeanette Baird. Academic identity in themes for the Third Decade Strategic Plan at Divine Word University. DWU Research Journal, Vol 33, pp. 1-15.

11. Schuele, E., Kuman, G., Gibbs, P., Vamilat, M., Pus, A., & Namun, Risk perceptions and responses to COVID-19 at a Papua New Guinea University. DWU Research Journal, vol 33, pp. 59-80.

Lazar Gnanaprakasam

Gnanaprakasam is the Director of Sanskruti -- Institute of Dravidian Culture and Research in Hyderabad, India. See the institutional report below.

Stanisław Grodź

Grodź is the director of the Anthropos Institut, Sankt Augustin and a member of the Anthropos Institute International Coordinating Council. As in the previous year, most of his attention was focused on the administrative matters of the Institute at Sankt Augustin.

Research and editorial work

1. Research on the history of the Institute and he wrote the first version of his article for the edited volume on the 90th anniversary of the foundation of Anthropos Institute.

2. The work on the Bibliographical History of Christian-Muslim Relations, 1500-1900 (CMR1900), a project headed by David R. Thomas with assistance of an international group of scholars, continues. 12 volumes (16-19th centuries – together over 10,000 pages) were published so far. The remaining 7 volumes – 6 more for the 19th century and the second thematic

one – should appear in the course of 2021-22.

<https://brill.com/view/serial/HCMR1BP> and

<http://www.birmingham.ac.uk/schools/ptr/departments/theologyandreligion/research/projects/CMR1900/project.aspx>

. Grodź edits some of the entries in his capacity as “Section Editor”.

Publications

1. D. Thomas, J. Chesworth, with S. Grodz, E. Gaze Loghin, R. Păun, M. Sajid, C. Soldat (eds), *Christian-Muslim Relations. A Bibliographical History. Volume 14. Central and Eastern Europe (1700-1800)*, Leiden: Brill, 2020.

For this volume, he wrote the following:

2. (with R.G. Păun and C. Soldat), “Introduction: Central, Eastern and South-Eastern Europe”, pp. 1-22.

3. The following entries: “Constantinopolitan- oder Türkischer Kirchen-Staat“, pp. 95-97 – „Gottfried Arnold“, pp. 98-104 – „Neu-eröffnetes Amphitheatrum“, pp. 123-127 – „Johann Leonhard Fröreisen“, pp. 140-143 – „Johann Christoph Döderlein“, pp. 225-230 – “Johann David Michaelis“, pp. 231-236 – “Gottfried Less“, pp. 237-243 – “Mikołaj Chwałkowski“, pp. 445-450 – “Michał Bogusław Ruttich”, pp. 451-55.

Conference paper

He presented a paper “Intruzi, goście czy „swoi”? Misyjna działalność chrześcijan w kulturach świata [Intruders, guests or “locals/one’s own”? The Christian missionary activity in world cultures] at the conference Marian Rusecki Memorial Lectures: From Maximum illud to Evangelii gaudium. Theology, social science and humanities in the service of mission, organised by the Institute of Fundamental Theology, John Paul II Catholic University of Lublin, Lublin, 27-28th November 2019.

Robert Kisala

Kisala became the president of Nanzan University in Nagoya, Japan, in April 2020. He has written the following two articles this year, whose publication has been delayed because of covid: “Prophetic Dialogue as a Missiological Concept: Some Further Thoughts,” and “Interculturality and Transformation: The Experience of Non-Japanese Catholics in Parish Life in Japan.”

Zdzisław Kupisiński

Kupisiński is on the faculty of John Paul II Catholic University of Lublin (KUL) and head of the Department of Religiology and Missiology. He taught eleven courses in the Summer and Winter semesters and reviewed four dissertations.

Publications:

1. The Soul and the Particular Judgement in the Beliefs of the Inhabitants of Opoczno and Radom Regions. In: *Soul in the Axiosphere from an Intercultural Perspective*, Volume One, eds. Joanna Jurewicz, Ewa Masłowska, Dorota Pazio-Wlazłowska, Newcastle upon Tyne 2020, pp. 533-544.

2. Środa Popielcowa w liturgii Kościoła i obrzędowości ludowej. Tradycja a współczesność. (Ash Wednesday in the Church Liturgy and Folk Rituals. Tradition and Modernity), „Roczniki Teologiczne” T. LXVII, 2020, no. 9, pp. 127-140.

3. Memory of the Deceased in Annual Rituals in Poland: Tradition and Modernity – „Anthropos” 115/2; 2020, pp.527-533.

4. Wielki Post w pobożności ludowej mieszkańców Lubelszczyzny. Tradycja a współczesność (Lent in the Folk Piety of the Lublin Region Inhabitants. Tradition and Modernity), in: *Kultura ludowa Lubelszczyzny. Stan – wartości – perspektywy* (Folk Culture of the Lublin Region. State – Values –

Prospects), eds. Jan Adamowski in cooperation with Zdzisław Podkański, Lublin: Norbertinum 2020, pp. 157-170.

Published Reviews

Books:

1. Badacz i znawca religii przeszłości i doby współczesnej – ks. prof. dr hab. Tadeusz Dajczer (1931–2009) (Researcher and Expert on the Religions of the Past and the Modern Era – Rev. Prof. dr hab. Tadeusz Dajczer (1931-2009)), ed. Eugeniusz Sakowicz, Publishing House: Polihymnia, pp. 126 (18.06.2020).

Articles:

1. Przywrócić wolność intelektualną w „epoce Nonsensu”. Analiza myśli Gilberta Keitha Chestertona (Restore Intellectual Freedom in the ‘Age of Nonsense’. Analysis of Thoughts of Gilbert Keith Chesterton), „Studies of Theological Sciences of the Polish Academy of Sciences” (14.04.2020).
2. „Wszystko jest powiązane”. Ekologia i rodzina (‘Everything is Connected’. Ecology and the Family), „Forum Teologiczne” vol. 21, 2020, no. of the article: 9 (26.04.2020).
3. Stworzonosc człowieka jako fundament ekologicznej odpowiedzialności (The Creation of Man as the Foundation of Ecological Responsibility), „Forum Teologiczne” vol. 21, 2020, no. of the article: 17 (28.04.2020).
4. For the Renewed Theology of Priesthood, „Studia Warmińskie”, 57/2020 (11.05.2020).
5. Sanktuarium Divino Amore („Divino Amore” Sanctuary), „Zeszyty Wiejskie” – Interdisciplinary Rural Research Team, University of Lodz (05.07.2020).
6. Wkład św. Jana Pawła II w dialog międzyreligijny w perspektywie teologii soborowej, a zwłaszcza deklaracji Nostra aetate. W 100

rocznicę urodzin Karola Wojtyły (1920–2005) (The Contribution of John Paul II to Interreligious Dialogue in the Perspective of the Council Theology, and Especially the „Nostra Aetate” Declaration. On the 100th Anniversary of the Birth of Karol Wojtyła (1920-2005)), „Studia Oecumenica”, University of Opole (08.08.2020).

7. Teologia w poszukiwaniu kryteriów prawdziwości religii (Theology in Search of Criteria of Truthfulness of Religion), „Studia Oecumenica”, University of Opole (24.10.2020).

Conference paper and participation:

1. For the XXXII FER-EURETHNO Conference at the Council of Europe, he delivered a paper entitled “Advent and Christmas Time in the Life of Opoczno Residents. Tradition and the Present Day.”
2. He also participated in the following conferences: 16th Congress of the Association of Fundamental Theologians in Poland and the scientific conference on Misteria życia Jezusa. Historia i Teologia (The Mysteries of Jesus' Life. History and Theology); 6th Congress of Christian Culture on Przestrzeń dialogu; and the scientific Conference Marian Rusecki Memorial Lectures 2020 (Edition 8) on Kościół wobec wojny kulturowej. Dialog – Apologia – Krytyka – Działanie (Church in the Face of Cultural War. Dialogue – Apologia – Criticism – Action).

Jose Kuzhikkattuthazhe

Kuzhikkattuthazhe is the Director of Sanskriti—North Eastern Institute of Cultural Research (NEICR) in Guwahati, India (ING). See that institutional report below.

Michael, S. M.

Sebastian Maria Michael is a member of the Coordinating Council of Anthropos Institute International and

the Arnoldus Family Resource Committee of Interculturality (RCI). He taught online classes for the Master of Social Work (MSW) students of the University of Mumbai continues.

Publications

1. Book: *Faith, Culture and Mission* was published by St. Paul Publishers on 8th September 2020.
2. Article on “German SVD Scholars’ Contribution to the Anthropology of India”, Institute of Indian Culture, News and Views, Vol. 71, No. 2 &3, June- December 2020, pp.34-47.
3. Article to the Journal Third Millennium: Indian Journal of Evangelization, “Increasing Cultural Diversity among Religious Communities and Building Intercultural Communities for Effective Mission”, December 2020.

Research and conference participation

1. Research of Religion and politics in India.
2. Participated in an international conference on “Promoting Peace” organized by the College of Social Work, Mumbai.

Roger Vanzila Munsu

Munsu taught (in four Quarters) six courses (Cultural Anthropology, Anthropology of Religion, Multiculturalism, Studies in Religion, Human Dignity and Ethnic Issues, Citizenship, Sustainability, Ethnicity and Culture, Globalization, Ethnicity and Religion) and two seminars on sociocultural anthropology at Nanzan University while being involved in different research activities organized by the Nanzan Anthropological Institute.

Conference plans cancelled due to COVID-19.

Library and Fieldwork Research

1. Due to the pandemic I could not go to the Democratic Republic of Congo for fieldwork during summer 2020 as

planned. However, he carried out library research on the “Sakata People Medicine” and conducted online interviews with some Sakata chiefs and other key informants. This online interviewing session was designed to collect more information on the “Royal Family and Conflicts over Leadership of the Mabie Chiefdom in Sakataland”. The outcome of this research will enrich his forthcoming book on the same topic.

2. He recently investigated the gravestones of the present-day remnants of Kakure Kirishitan (Hidden Christian) communities and families in Nagasaki settings. Between April and November, he brought his recent findings together into a reflexive analysis for an article on the Kakure Kirishitan Gravestones in Nagasaki settings, which will be published in March 2021.

3. In December 2020 he carried out a follow-up cross-section research on the San Jiwan Karematsu Shrine and Kuhahime Shrines in Nagasaki. Some of the research findings enriched his forthcoming article on the same topic, which will be published by the Japan Mission Journal. Other data will be inserted into his forth coming book on Kirishitan Shrines and Festival in Japan: Looking at the Religiosity of Local Communities.

4. During this period of the study, he also updated some parts of his other book (in Japanese) on the Biography of Murakami Shigeru: A Kakure Kirishitan Leader from Sotome-Kurosaki who converted to Catholicism, for its forthcoming second edition.

Publications

1. MUNSI, R.V. 2020. “The Twentieth San Jiwan Karematsu Shrine Festival.” The Japan Mission Journal 74 (2): 98-109. (12p.)
2. MUNSI, R.V. 2020. “Japanese Folklore Studies: Looking at the

Origins and New Prospects.” The Japan Mission Journal 74 (4): 219-231. (13p.)

Joint Project

Throughout the year 2020 Munki was involved in a collaborative anthropological research with Mr Takashi SHIMAZKI (former Representative of a Japanese Cotton Company). The research focused on the Relationship between Cotton and Human Beings: Anthropological and Sustainability Perspectives. The outcomes of this research have been compiled into a book format (in Japanese) which is now under proof reading.

Promotion

Munki will be promoted as Professor in April 2021.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Piotr Nawrot

Nawrot taught classes in Sacred Music, Gregorian Chant, Missiology and History of Church in Hispanic America at the Adam Mickiewicz University in Poznan, Poland.

Publications

Book:

Piotr Nawrot. Charcas: cancionero mariano. Miscelánea. Archivo y Biblioteca Nacionales de Bolivia. Fondo Editorial APAC. Santa Cruz de la Sierra. Bolivia 2020.

Articles:

1. Piotr Nawrot, Regina Caeli Laetare y Tota pulchra es, Maria del Archivo Misional de Moxos: Encuentro del barroco misional y catedralicio en las misiones. “Anuario de la Academia Boliviana de Historia Eclesiástica”, 2020: 11–54.

2. Piotr Nawrot, La Iglesia Católica y su rol en la fundación, crecimiento y esplendor de la práctica musical en Bolivia, antes y después de 1825. In: Edwin Claros Arspe, ed. Construcción de la identidad boliviana. Serie “Aportes de la Iglesia en el marco del

Bicentenario de Bolivia”. La Paz, Folio-Unidad de Diseño Gráfico e Impresión de la UCB. 2020, 257-294.

Research in progress

1. Instrumental music from the former Jesuit Reductions among the Moxo Indians in Bolivia.

2. Baroque da capo arias from the former Jesuit Reductions among the Moxo Indians in Bolivia.

3. Late 18th century music from the National Archives in Bolivia.

Recognitions

Professor Honoris Causa from UPSA, Santa Cruz, Bolivia.

Doctor Honoris Causa from Universidad Católica Boliviana, La Paz, Bolivia.

Jacek Jan Pawlik

Pawlik is professor and Chair of Family Sciences in the Faculty of Theology in Olsztyn since 2008. Since Oct. 2020, Pawlik is a Director of the Chair of Sciences of Family in University of Warmia and Mazury in Olsztyn.

Teaching

In addition to routine lectures in religiology, anthropology of kinship and family, methodology, he has given two monographic lectures: “The Afro-American World of Culture” and “Child and Childhood in a Changing World.” He was a supervisor of 9 master's theses completed this year.

Publications

1. He published a book, a kind of introductory guide to incultural living: „Ku nowej kulturze. Zmagania adaptacyjne”, Olsztyn 2020, 265 pp.

http://www.uwm.edu.pl/wt/sites/default/files/u4/pawlik_-_ku_nowej_kulturze.pdf

(Towards a new culture. Adaptation struggles)

2. Two important articles in Polish: „Dynamics of Messianic Movements in Africa. Case Study of the Population of the Lower Congo Basin“ and „The

Street of an African City as a Living Space, as Exemplified by Lomé, the Capital of Togo“.

Conference papers

He participated in two scientific conferences: The Pope John Paul II in Togo and Benin (presented paper: „Cultural Context and Relation to the African Traditional Religions“) and National, Ethnic, Language and Religious Minorities in Contemporary World (presented paper: „The Society of Divine Word and the Indigenous People“). The last one was the 20th edition of the series of Conferences: Sacrum and Profanum in International Relations organized by Warsaw University and Divine Word Seminary in Pieniezno.

Francis Pereira

Pereira taught the following courses: “Eschatology” at Morning Star Seminary, Kolkata, West Bengal; “Mission of Jesus in Today’s Context” for Sisters of the congregation Handmaids of Mary at Sambalpur, Odisha, India; “Tribal Theology,” “Reconciliation and Anointing of the Sick,” “Eco-spiritual Theology,” and “Introduction to Theology” at Khristo Jyoti Regional Theologate at Sambalpur, Odisha, India.

Other activities:

1. Guided two dissertations of third year theology students of Khristo Jyoti Regional Theologate, Sambalpur, Odisha.
2. Participated in a webinar organized by the Regional Commission for Vocations, Seminaries, Clergy and Religious of Odisha for the vocation promoters, formators, clergy and religious of Odisha.
3. Participated in the National Zoom meeting for all the Regional Secretaries of the Commission organized by the National Commission for Vocations, Seminaries, Clergy and Religious.

Joachim Piepke

Piepke is on the editorial team for the *Anthropos* journal and for the review of articles for the *Anthropology and Mission* publication.

Publications

1. Piepke, Joachim G. (Hg.), P. Johann Frick SVD: Mao schief in meinem Bett. Erinnerungen eines Chinamissionars 1931–1952 (Mao slept in my bed: Memories of a China Missionary 1931–1952). Baden-Baden: Academia Verlag, 2020.
 2. Piepke, Joachim G., The Yeti Does Exist After All. Franz Xaver Eichinger’s Field Notes about His Encounter with the ‘abominable Snowman’ in 1949. *Anthropos* 115/1 (2020): 1–8.
 3. Piepke, Joachim G., Verstehenshorizonte. Begrenzungen religiösen Verstehens (Horizons of Understanding. Limits of Religious Understanding). In: Michael Sievernich und Klaus Vellguth (Hg.), Christentum in der Neuzeit. Geschichte, Religion, Mission, Mystik. Festschrift für Mariano Delgado; pp. 485–503. Freiburg: Herder, 2020.
 4. Piepke, Joachim G., Eichinger, Franz Xaver. Biographisch-Bibliographisches Kirchen Lexikon, Bd. 41: 167–170, 2020.
 5. Review of: Oosterbaan, Martijn, Linda von de Kamp, and Joana Bahia (eds.): Global Trajectories of Brazilian Religion. Lusospheres. London: Bloomsbury Academic, 2020. 234 pp. In: *Anthropos* 115 (2020): 613–615.
- #### Current research and writing
1. Finishing article about *Anthropos* do Brasil.
 2. Continue book project about “All religions are syncretistic,” which is a protest against all religious fundamentalisms.

Darius Piowarczyk

Piowarczyk, as the Editor-in-Chief of the *Anthropos* journal, published the two issues of volume 115 of 2020.

Publications

Books:

Sexuality and Gender in Intercultural Perspective. An Anthropos Reader. Anthropos - Special Issue 2 (edited work). Baden-Baden: Nomos. 270 pp.

Articles:

1. European Museums and Exhibition Halls in the Eye of the Modern Beholder. *Verbum* 62 (2-3).

2. Family Transformation in the Colonial Context of German Togo. *Anthropos* 115 (2), pp. 459-467.

3. Xavier Barral (1955-2019). Obituary. *Anthropos* 115 (2), pp. 535f.

Book Review:

Trebunia-Staszal, Stanisława: Lud zdolny do życia. Górale podhalańscy w oczach niemieckiego okupanta. *Anthropos* 115(2), pp. 641f.

Editing:

Anthropos. Internationale Zeitschrift für Völker- und Sprachkunde, Band 115: 2020 (34 Artikel auf 414 Seiten)

Teaching:

Sommersemester: Jagiellonen Universität Krakau (UJ), Polen; Museen in kolonialen Kontexten.

Alexander Rödlach

Rödlach is Associate Professor in Anthropology, Medical Humanities, and Psychiatry and Chair of the Department of Cultural and Social Studies at Creighton University in Omaha, United States. He teaches "Global Health," "Applied Research: Assessment and Evaluation," and, for the first time, a course for medical students on caregiving and accompaniment

Research:

1. Together with Dr. Lehmann MD and Kevin Boes BA, he developed a study at the Curbad (wellness center and spa)

in Bad Kreuzen, Austria, that focuses on the holistic health benefits of Kneipp Therapy. The study is currently reviewed by the state's research ethics board. Data collection will commence after the ethics board approves it and when Covid-19 restrictions in Austria end and the Curbad resumes regular services.

2. Research on the meanings of water among Karenni refugees in Omaha was initiated together with a member of the Karenni community, Hsaw Khu, and one of his former students, Hugh Truempi, BS. However, observations and interviews had to be stopped due to the pandemic.

3. Anissa Zimmerman and Lorenzo Rivera, two medical students at Creighton University are mentored by him to evaluate a health educational program jointly organized by a grassroots organization of Maya from Guatemala in Omaha and medical students. They have received a Kingfisher fellowship for this project and data collection is currently ongoing.

4. Together with Carin Applegat, Timothy Cook, Thomas Simonds SJ, Ron Fussell, and Renzo Rosales SJ, he is preparing a research project on Latino/a high school students' perceptions of feeling welcome and included in Catholic high schools in Omaha.

Publications

1. Rödlach published the following book by Lexington Books: "Transforming Lives: Health Initiatives in Faith Communities".

2. He is currently working on an article with Martha Habash that explores barriers to successful learning among students in the Jesuit Worldwide Learning program that offers a certificate and a bachelor's degree to students in refugee camps.

3. He is working with LaShaune Johnson and Renzo Rosales SJ on an

edited volume on using liberation theology's accompaniment approach for research.

4. He published in *Anthropos* a review of a Festschrift for Ekkehard Schröder.

Academic lectures

1. Gave a keynote address at the annual meeting of the Society for Cross-Cultural Research in Seattle, United States, that was titled "Framing Research as Accompaniment Embedded in Relationships".

2. Gave a virtual lecture at McGill University in Montreal, Canada, on "Improving Emotional Health in the Community: Health Ministries in Faith Communities."

Other activities

He gave presentations in the community and for students, such as, "Evolution and Faith" as part of a monthly "Pub Theology" series and for Creighton students about economic inequality and social justice.

Roger Schroeder

Schroeder holds the Louis J. Luzbetak, SVD Chair of Mission and Culture and is Professor of Intercultural Studies and Ministry at Catholic Theological Union at Chicago (CTU). He is the coordinator of Anthropos Institute International and co-chair of the SVD-SSpS Resource Committee on Interculturality (RCI). He taught four courses at CTU in 2020.

Publications:

Books:

1. Co-edited with Maria Cimperman, RSCJ. *Engaging Our Diversity: Interculturality and Consecrated Life Today*. Maryknoll, NY: Orbis Books, 2020.

2. *What is the Mission of the Church? A Guide for Catholics*. Revised and Expanded Edition. Bangalore: Theological Publications in India, 2020. [Reprint in India]

3. *Trung Thành và Thích Nghi*. Vietnam: Nhà Xuất Bản Tôn Giáo

(Religion Publisher), 2020. [Vietnamese translation of Bevens/Schroeder, *Constants in Context*]

4. *Cuộc Đòi Thoại Có Tinh Ngôn Sứ*. Vietnam: Nhà Xuất Bản Tôn Giáo, 2020. [Vietnamese translation of Bevens/Schroeder, *Prophetic Dialogue*]

Other publications:

1. With Maria Hong Nguyen, OSB. "Cultural Frameworks and Concrete Situations." In *Engaging Our Diversity: Interculturality and Consecrated Life Today*, edited by Cimperman and Schroeder, 149-161. Maryknoll, NY: Orbis Books, 2020.

2. "Basic Framework for Understanding Interculturality." In *Reflection Guide for Mutual Enrichment in Spirituality: Materials for the Arnoldus Family*. 11-21. Rome: SVD-SSpS e-Publications, 2020.

3. "Foreword." Amanda Quantz. *Radical Hospitality for a Prophetic Church*. Vii-viii. Lanham, MD: Lexington Books/Fortress Academic.

Editorial work:

1. One of three Associate Editors of the *International Bulletin of Mission Research*.

2. Member of Editorial Committee for ASM Scholarly Monograph Series (2006-present)

3. Annual AI *Interlink* report.

Conference organization and presentation

1. Co-chaired (with Adriana Milmanda, SSpS) the organization team for a three-week international program (English and Spanish) on "Spirituality and

Interculturality" for twenty-five SVD, SSpS, and Lay Partners in Steyl, the Netherlands, January and February 2020. Schroeder gave nine presentations.

2. Co-organized with Maria Cimperman, the third "Engaging Our

Diversity: Interculturality and Consecrated Life” conference in May, 2020 as a ZOOM event. This concluded the three-year CTU program with twenty religious congregations.

3. Co-organized an eight-day ZOOM program (four languages) on “Interculturality, Leadership, Religious Life & Ministry” for 230 religious women in congregational leadership, December 7-18. Sponsored by International Union of Superiors General (UISG). Schroeder gave four presentations and facilitated others.

Djalma Antônio da Silva

Da Silva is the Director/President of Anthropos do Brasil. [See the institutional report below.] Due to the coronavirus pandemic, it was not possible to accomplish everything that was scheduled. He taught a missionary spirituality class for lay people in the parish of São Sebastião, in Barra Mansa, state of Rio de Janeiro. He was appointed as director of the CNBB Missionary Cultural Center (CCM) in Brasilia. So he was transferred to Brasilia. At the Missionary Cultural Center, many training courses are offered each year in the area of missionary pastoral care. Da Silva is coordinating a missiology course for priests, religious and lay people that is being held virtually.

Janet Florine Tellis

Tellis completed her assignment in Paraguay, which became four years rather than three due to the pandemic. She returned to India in March 2021 and has been involved in language and cultural learning and ministry. She has been studying interculturality in the Latin American context and leading some interculturality programs. She is a member of the ten-person SSpS-SVD Resource Committee of Interculturality (RCI).

Reports of Corporate Members

Anthropos Institute Sankt Augustin

Anthropos Institute member Stanislaw Grodz is the Director of Anthropos Institut, Sankt Augustin, and the following AI members also work there: Vincensius Adi Gunawan, Othmar Gächter, Günther Gessinger, Joachim Piepke, and Darius Piwowarczyk. The extensive list of their publications is described above (p. 2) under “Publications of the Institute.” The activities undertaken by individual AI members are listed in their personal reports.

1. Years ago the Institute started a benefactors-sponsored project of gift-subscriptions of the journal. Thanks to these specific donations we have been able to send the journal to some interested academic institutions worldwide that could not afford the subscription. Although the number of donors is declining, we have been again able to provide 12 institutional gift-subscriptions in 2020 (apart from complimentary issues sent out from the Institute but these are just printed issues without access to the electronic version).

2. Visitors:

* Dr. Ulrich van Loyen with a group of his students from Universität zu Köln (a tutorial connected with visiting the Institute and the museum – Haus Völker und Kulturen) – 13th January 2020

* Dr. Andres Menard (Department of Anthropology, Faculty of Social Sciences, Universidad de Chile, Santiago) – research on Ewald Böning’s tapes from fieldwork among the Mapuche – 21-24th January 2020

* A visit by Roger Schroeder SVD, the Coordinator of Anthropos Institute International – 6-7th February 2020

* Since March 2020, we had no visitors due to the COVID-19 Pandemic.

3. The special interest in Gusinde’s materials continues. We had a number

of requests to authorise public use of Gusinde's photos (from Latin America, France and the US). All of them were redirected to Éditions Xavier Barral that still manages the public use of these photos for a next couple of years.

4. The Anthropos Institute Webpage has remained mostly dormant during the last year. Hardly any new material arrived from the members and we ourselves had not managed to do anything significant in that area. There is hope, however, that with the positive response to the "90th anniversary of the AI" project we will be able to animate the webpage with impulses coming from the contributions, or with a part of the material that has been contributed. The "Heritage" section still offers rich possibilities of cooperation / contribution (**AI members are welcome to send in material about the earlier work of the Institute and its departed members**).

5. Library and Archives

For an update and detailed report of recent activities in the library and archives, see the individual report of AI member Günther Gessinger above.

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NOTE OF CLARIFICATION:

At the moment the official Statutes of Anthropos Institute recognize only full corporate association. However, we also acknowledge and include here the important efforts in 2020 of the following institutions dedicated to the study of culture and religion which carry out the Anthropos tradition of our Society, even though they are not full corporate members as of yet. Each of these institutes have some SVD affiliation, though several are presently not officially recognized by the SVD Generalate. One or more SVD are working in each of these centers, of whom many are currently members of Anthropos Institute.

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Aditya Wacana Centre

Missiologist Raymundus Sudhiarsa, SVD, is the Director of Aditya Wacana Centre for Studies of Religion and Culture in Malang, Indonesia (IDJ).

Members of the Centre (Kristo Bala, Peter Sarbini, Markus Situmorang, Donatus Sermata, Raymundus Sudhiarsa) are active lecturers and researchers at the Widya Sasana School of Philosophy and Theology. They also participate actively in contributing articles as book chapters for the yearly publication of the School.

Publication

1. In 2020, each staff person offered their article as the result of their research for the book entitled *Kamu Adalah Sahabatku (You are My Friends)*, eds. FX Kurniawan, Markus Situmorang, Charles Virginius Setiawan.

2. The Journal of *Perspektif* of the Centre is published regularly twice a year in June and December. It accepts articles on religious and cultural issues based on field researches as well as academic debates.

Other Activities

On the celebration of the founder of the SVD, in collaboration with SVD's lay partners (Soverdia) and our SVD seminarians, the Aditya Wacana Centre organized a talk show on "Mission Spirituality of our Founder and our Today's World". It was held in January 14, 2020 in the parish of Mary Queen of Rosary, Malang, served by our SVD Confreres. The resource persons of the talk show were Frs. August Hutrin, Kristo Bala, and Peter Sarbini.

Anthropos do Brasil

Anthropos Institute member Djalma Antônio da Silva is the Director/President of Anthropos do Brasil. In 2020, due to the coronavirus

pandemic, no face-to-face activities were carried out with the institution's members. The meetings and assemblies that were marked had been canceled. The decision by members and provincials was that the assembly should take place in 2021. However, members of the Anthropos Institute continued to do their research and teach their virtual classes.

Institute of Indian Culture

AI member S.M. Michael is the Director of the Institute of India Culture in Mumbai, India. There are three active members of the Institute engaged in research and teaching. The Institute has been publishing its regular Newsletter of its activities. One SVD member is pursuing his studies in Master in Social Work (MSW) and another member has begun his Ph.D. in Sociology at the University of Mumbai. The members have been active in publishing several papers in different journals which appear in their personal reports of the Anthropos Members. Also see the individual report above of S.M. Michael.

Melanesian Institute

Br. Martin Tnines, SVD, is the Director. The Melanesian Institute (MI) is an Ecumenical social and Educational Institute administered by PNG and SI mainline churches (Catholic, Evangelical Lutheran, United and Anglican), that serves the people of Melanesia through Research, Publication and Education.

Nanzan Anthropological Institute

Dr. Goto Akira, who was trained in Ethno-Archeology at Hawai'i University, is the Director of the Nanzan Anthropological Institute. The journal *Asian Ethnology (AE)* is now being published under the Nanzan Anthropological Institute. Also see the

individual report above of AI member Roger Vanzila Munsu, who is a member of the Nanzan Anthropological Institute.

Sanskriti -- North Eastern Institute of Cultural Research

AI member Jose Kuzhikkattuthazhe is the Director of Sanskriti—North Eastern Institute of Cultural Research (NEICR) in Guwahati, India (ING). He reported the following. “The year 2020 was an eventful one for this institute. We have kept in good contact with a number of our senior professors and scholars friends. This was not only for academic/research endeavours, but good will building in terms of inter-religious collaboration and friendship. We hope to continue building up good will in the coming year too.”

See the individual report of AI member Bhaskar Das above who works with this institute.

Publications and webinars:

Among many edited books the following deserve special mention.

1. The volume on NE India, based on the 14th annual national seminar, and different individual volumes on Assam, Nagaland and Manipur.
2. Recent volume on *Covid-19*. Sanskriti-NEICR,
3. Guwahati organized about a dozen webinars in the year 2020. This has also helped us to be in touch with about 50 professors and scholars of North East India who have for the past several years contributed to the growth and academic vibrancy of our institute.
4. The edited volumes on Arunachal Pradesh, Tripura and Sikkim are nearing completion, together with one volume on New Education Policy of India.

Sanskriti – Institute of Dravidian Culture and Research

AI member Gnanaprakasam is the Director of Sanskriti -- Institute of Dravidian Culture and Research in Hyderabad, India.

The 7th volume of the research seminar held on January 2020 was published: *CONDITIONS OF MARGINALISED COMMUNITIES IN THE GLOBALISED ERA: Challenges and Responses*. It is 450 pages hard bound. Rs. 2000 (Indian Currency)

Sanskriti Kendra – Tribal Cultural and Research Centre

Anthropos Institute member Ignatius Soreng is Director of Sanskriti Kendra, Panaspara, Sundargarh, India.. The rest of the staff consists of Andreas Kerketta SVD (Assistant Director cum Treasurer) and two Assistants— Valentine Soreng and Amar Raj Burh.

Tamale Institute of Cross-Cultural Studies (TICCS)

The senior staff persons include: Fr. Phanael Myers Agudu, SVD, Director; Dr. Dominic Amonzem, Administrator; Br. Bruno Yirzie, SVD, Procurator/Guest House Manager. Resource persons from the University for Development Studies (UDS), St. Victor's Major Seminary and other Institutions regularly support TICCS in carrying out its various programmes.

The shutting down of the Institute due to COVID-19 brought a lot of financial difficulties to bear on the Institute and its staff since the workers were stopped from coming to work for about four months for safety and financial concerns, as the Institute was unable to generate revenue to pay their full salaries. This measure put them and the institute through serious financial

challenges. In the course of the year and amidst all the challenges of the pandemic however, some activities and happenings have taken place in the Institute.

Programmes:

1. Pastoral Year Preparatory Course for six seminarians of St. Victor's Major Seminary who were due for their pastoral year programme.

2. Cross-Cultural Orientation course for thirteen novices of Christian Brothers

Other activities:

1. Two TICCS Board Meetings were held in February and December, 2020.

2. With regards to the use of our facilities in 2020, about 1200 people made use of the library, the conference hall and the hostel for various events.

Consult the TICCS website for further information:

<http://www.ticcsghana.org/>

Events

Birthdays

In 2021, six AI members celebrate birthdays of particular significance: +Brandewie (90), Gächter (80), Estepa and Schroeder (70), Pereira and da Silva (65). *Ad multos annos* to all of you.

Jubilees

Congratulations to the following celebrating SVD vow anniversaries of particular significance in 2021: Kisala (40) and Gunawan (25). And to those celebrating significant ordination anniversaries: Kirby (50) and Nawrot (40).

Roger Schroeder, S.V.D.
International Coordinator of
Anthropos Institute