

**The Department of Philosophy at Szeged University,
will host a two-day seminar on
Monday and Tuesday, March 29-30, 2010.**

This conference will address the different issues concerning the criticism of religion that took place in Europe in the period following the French Revolution and the Napoleonic period. In the wake of the Enlightenment and Romanticism, religion was exposed to a number of serious challenges that undermined many traditional beliefs and dogmas. Figures such as Kant, Fichte, Schelling, Hegel, Schleiermacher, Feuerbach, Strauss, Kierkegaard, Schopenhauer and Nietzsche radically changed the form of discourse about religion in the modern world. The challenges they issued remain with us. The goal of this conference is to understand the roots of these challenges in the 19th Century and to determine their relevance for religion today.

The seminar will feature papers from leading Hungarian and international experts in the fields of philosophy, theology and religious studies.

All interested parties are welcome.
The seminar is free of charge.

The languages of the seminar will be English and German.

Location:

The Seminar will take place at the
Hungarian Academy of Sciences Szeged—
Magyar Tudományos Akadémia Szegedi Akadémiai Bizottság
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**The Crisis of Religion in the 19th Century
Then and Now**



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Program

Monday, 29 March 2010

14:30 Words of Welcome: **Zoltán Gyenge**

Chairperson: Jon Stewart

14:45-15:20 **Ágnes Heller** (The New School for Social Research, New York)
“What is Wrong with Religion of Reason?”

15:20-15:35 discussion

15:35-15:45 break

15:45-16:20 **Zoltán Gyenge** (Szeged University, Department of Philosophy)
“Religion und Persönlichkeit. Die Frage der persönlichen Gottheit bei Schelling und Kierkegaard”

16:20-16:35 discussion

16:35-16:50 coffee break

16:50-17:25 **Richard Purkarthofer** (Søren Kierkegaard Research Centre, Copenhagen)
“The End of Christianity and Philosophy and the Beginning of — What?”

17:25-17:40 discussion

17:40-17:50 break

17:50-18:25 **István Czakó** (Pázmány Péter Catholic University, Department of Philosophy)
“Geist in Welt: die Rezeption von Hegels Ontologie in Karl Rahners metaphysischen Anthropologie”

18:25-18:40 discussion

19:30 dinner

Tuesday, 30 March 2010

Chairperson: Ágnes Heller

9:00-9:35 **Heiko Schulz** (Johann Wolfgang Goethe University, Department of Protestant Theology)
“Sincerity as a Crucial Problem in the Post-Hegelian Religious Debate (Strauss, Kierkegaard, Nietzsche)”

9:35-9:50 discussion

9:50-10:05 coffee break

10:05-10:40 **Dezso Csejtei** (Szeged University, Department of Philosophy)
“The Late Nietzsche’s Philosophy of Religion—in the Crosswind of Contemporary Religious Nationalism”

10:40-10:55 discussion

10:55-11:10 coffee break

11:10-11:45 **Peter Šajda** (The Slovak Academy of Sciences, Institute of Philosophy)
“The Problem of Religious Acosmism: Martin Buber’s Critique of Hegel and Kierkegaard”

11:45-12:00 discussion

12:00-13:30 lunch break

Chairperson: Heiko Schulz

13:30-14:05 **Antoni Szwed** (Dean, Bogdan Janski High School, Cracow)
“Why does Kierkegaard believe that Hegel Falsifies the Essence of Christianity”

14:05-14:20 discussion

14:20-14:35 coffee break

14:35-15:10 **Daniel Conway** (Texas A&M University, Philosophy Department)
“The Last Knights of the Christian-Ascetic Ideal”

15:10-15:25 discussion

15:25-15:40 coffee break

15:40-16:15 **Jon Stewart** (Søren Kierkegaard Research Centre, Copenhagen)
“Hegel’s Treatment of the Development of Religion after Christianity”

16:15-16:30 discussion

16:30 Closing Words: **Jon Stewart**

18:00 dinner