

Lecture Series Public Theology: An International and Intercontextual Assessment

Task sheet: Rudolf von Sinner * Contextuality and Intercontextuality in Public Theology

This lecture is available free of charge as comprehensive video file (mp4) or as audio file (mp3) with accompanying slides in pdf-format.

This task sheet contains:

1. Three questions for group discussion
2. Three suggested titles for further reading
3. A timeline to match audio file and pdf slide presentation
4. A list of references for the lecture

1. Three questions for group discussion:

1. What are the main challenges in your specific context today?
2. What is the place and role of the churches and of theology in your context?
3. Are the churches in your context being faithful to the gospel and contributing to the common good?

2. Three suggested titles for further reading

1. Dirk J. Smit: „The Paradigm of Public Theology – Origins and Development“, in Heinrich Bedford-Strohm, Florian Höhne and Tobias Reitmeier, eds., Contextuality and Intercontextuality in Public Theology (Münster: LIT, 2013), 11-23.
2. Eneida Jacobsen: „Public and Contextual? An Introductory Approach to the Contextuality of Public Theologies“, in Heinrich Bedford-Strohm, Florian Höhne and Tobias Reitmeier, eds., Contextuality and Intercontextuality in Public Theology (Münster: LIT, 2013), 71-83.
3. Rudolf von Sinner: „Public Theology in Brazil: Searching for its Voice in Dialogue with the Context and Global Trends“, in Dion A. Forster, Rudolf von Sinner and Claudete Beise Ulrich, eds., Public Theology in Brazil and South Africa: A Theological and Political Dialogue (Stellenbosch: SUN Press 2021, forthcoming).

3. A timeline to match audio file and pdf slide-presentation

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4. References

Sunday Bobai Agang, Dion A. Forster and H. Jurgens Hendriks, eds., *African Public Theology* (Bukuru/Carlisle: Hippo Books / ACTS / Langham, 2020).

Heinrich Bedford-Strohm, Florian Höhne and Tobias Reitmeier, eds., *Contextuality and Intercontextuality in Public Theology* (Münster: LIT, 2013).

James R. Cochrane and Christine Lienemann, eds., *The Church and the Public Sphere in Societies in Transition* (Pietermaritzburg: Cluster Publications, 2013).

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Sebastian Kim and Katie Day, eds., *A Companion to Public Theology* (Leiden: Brill, 2017).

Rudolf von Sinner, *The Churches and Democracy in Brazil. Towards a Public Theology Focused on Citizenship* (Eugene, Or.: Wipf&Stock, 2012).

Rudolf von Sinner, *Public Theology in the Secular State: a Perspective from the Global South* (Münster: LIT, 2021–forthcoming).

Special issues of the *International Journal of Public Theology*: 5/1(2011)–SouthAfrica; 6/1(2012)–Brazil, and again 16/1(2022) towards the Curitiba Consultation on “Public Theology in Vibrating Cities: Precious and Precarious” (3-6/10/2022).