

CURRICULUM VITAE

Professor Dr. Fernando Enns



BORN 1964 in Curitiba/Brazil
MARRIED TO Renate Megumi Enns (Schneiss), Teacher

UNIVERSITY:

- 1985-88 and
1989-92 Theology at Ruprecht-Karls-Universität Heidelberg
1988-89 Associated Mennonite Biblical Seminaries in Elkhart/Indiana (USA)
1992 „Magister der Theologie“ (Mag.theol.)
„Der eine Haushalt Gottes – Die Krise der ökumenischen Bewegung: theologische Ursachen und neuere Konzepte“
- 1992-1994 Practical Theology at the University Bonn
- 2001 „Doktor der Theologie“ (Dr. theol., „*summa cum laude*“)
The Peace Church and the Ecumenical Community. Ecclesiology and the Ethics of Nonviolence. Copublished by Kitchener/Ontario: Pandora Press and Geneva: World Council of Churches 2007 (orig. „Friedenskirche in der Ökumene. Ekklesiologische Aspekte einer Theologie aus friedenskirchlicher Perspektive“)
- 2010 Habilitation
„Ökumene in der Bewährung. Beiträge zur ökumenischen Theoriebildung, Theologie und Friedensethik aus der Perspektive einer Friedenskirche“

PROFESSION:

1992	Ordination in Krefeld
1992-94	Pastor of Mennonite Church in Krefeld
1994-96	Research Assistant at the Ecumenical Institute, University Heidelberg
1996-2005	Assistant Lecturer of Systematic Theology / Ecumenical Studies and Director of Studies at the Ecumenical Institute and Student Hall of Heidelberg University
since 2006	Director of the Institute for Peace Church Theology at Hamburg University.
Since 2011	Professor for [Peace] Theology and Ethics at the Faculty of Theology of the VU Free University Amsterdam / The Netherlands

CHURCH and ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES

I. ACADEMIC

I.2. Fachbereich Ev. Theologie der Universität Hamburg

- Member of the Board of Trustees of the Missions Academy Hamburg, since 2008
- Member of the interdisciplinary Research Group on „Friedenserziehung/Peacebuilding“

I.3. Academic Memberships

- Member of *European Academy of Sciences and Arts*
- Member of *Wissenschaftliche Gesellschaft für Theologie*
- Member of *Deutscher Ökumenischer Studienausschuss* (German Commission on Faith & Order)
- Member of the editorial board of *Ökumenische Rundschau* (Ecumenical Review) since 1998
- Member of the editorial board of *Conrad Grebel Review*, since 2010
- Member of *Arbeitsgemeinschaft Ökumenische Forschung* (Association of Ecumenical Research)
- Member of *Gesellschaft für Evangelische Theologie* (Society of Protestant Theology)
- Member of *Deutsche Gesellschaft für Missionswissenschaft* (German Society for Mission Theology)

Lectures at many international conferences and occasions

on Theology, Ecumenism, Peace and Justice, Interreligious Dialogue, organized by the WCC, by the international academia, or by individual institutions. These include (churches and universities in) many European countries as well as Brazil, Chile, Southafrica, Zimbabwe, Ghana, Kenya, Tanzania, Ethiopia, Southkorea, Thailand, Philippines, Indonesia, Fiji, Canada, U.S.A., Jamaica.

- 2008 Speaker of the “Bechtel Lectures” at Conrad Grebel College, Waterloo/Ontario (Canada)
- 2010 Speaker of the “Paul Wattson Lectures” at University of San Francisco/California (U.S.A.)
- 2012 Speaker of the “Believers Church Lecture Series” at Fresno Pacific University/California (U.S.A.)
- 2012 Speaker of “Mennonite Peacelectureship” at Seattle Mennonite Church (U.S.A.)

I.4. Theological Faculty of Heidelberg University (until 2005)

- Member of Faculty board
- Responsible for international ecumenical Partnerships
 - Reformed University in Budapest / Hungary (several conferences)
 - Facultad Evangélica de Teología de Chile
Lecture-Series in Santiago de Chile and Concepción in March 2003
International Symposium on Church and Civil Society in 2004
 - Kings College, London
 - University of Stellenbosch / South Africa

II. CHURCH

II.1. Mennonite Church

- Pastor of *Arbeitsgemeinschaft Mennonitischer Gemeinden in Deutschland*
(Association of Mennonite Churches in Germany)
- Vice-Chair of the board of *Arbeitsgemeinschaft Mennonitischer Gemeinden in Deutschland*
(Association of Mennonite Churches in Germany), since 2001
- Vice-Chair of the *Vereinigung der Deutschen Mennonitengemeinden*
(Union of Mennonite Churches in Germany), 1994-2001,
Ecumenical Officer since 1994
- Member of Mennonite Peace Center Berlin, since (2004-2013 Speaker)
- Consultant to *Mennonite World Conference* (Key-speaker at World Assembly in
Bulawayo/Zimbabwe, 2003)

II.2. Ecumenical Relations

a. national

- Delegate to the *Arbeitsgemeinschaft Christlicher Kirchen in Deutschland*
(National Council of Churches in Germany)
- Member of *the Conference on Peace of the EKD* (Ev. Church in Germany)
- Member of several planning committees for the German *Kirchentag*
- Member of the Board of *Deutsche Ostasien Mission* (German East-Asia Missions)
- Member of the “*Open Forum*” for the ecumenical “Decade to Overcome Violence” (until 2011)

b. international

- Member of *World Council of Churches’ Central Committee* (since 1998)
 - Member of Program Committee (since 1998)
 - Member of Advisory Group on Justice, Peace, Creation (1998-2003)
 - Member of “Decade to Overcome Violence” - Reference-Group (since 2000),
(moderator 2005-2011)
 - Moderator of the Planning Committee of the International Ecumenical Peace
Convocation (2008-2011)
 - Moderator of the WCC-Reference Group on “Just Peace”, since 2011

Delegate to:

- VIII. Assembly of WCC in Harare/Zimbabwe 1998
- IX. Assembly of WCC in Porto Alegre/Brazil 2006
- XI. World Conference on Mission and Evangelism in Salvador da Bahia/Brazil 1996
- XII. World Conference on Mission and Evangelism in Athens/Greece 2005
- International Ecumenical Peace Convocation in Kingston / Jamaica 2011
- X. Assembly of WCC in Pusan / Southkorea 2013

2007 Award “Best Sermon of the Year”
by “Verlag der Deutschen Wirtschaft”

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