

Special Issue

Orthodox Christianity in Sociopolitical Landscapes

Message from the Guest Editor

This Special Issue aims to create an evocative picture of Orthodox Christianity across a range of sociopolitical landscapes, as well as a general presentation of how it is explored in the main fields of theological study—historical, biblical, dogmatic, and systematic or multidisciplinary, as well as an avant la lettre establishment of the working spaces or themes addressed—by framing the proposed topics in the political and social spaces (so diverse throughout history) in which Christ was and is preached through the teaching of the Orthodox Christian faith.

This Issue is able to constitute an expression of those events or ideas that have and continue to contribute decisively to the formation of the Eastern Orthodox Christian space.

Research areas may include, but are not limited to, the following topics:

- How is the Orthodox Church seen in general?
- What characterizes an Orthodox Christian in terms of worship and ritual?
- Continuity with early Christianity
- How is a practicing Orthodox Christian socially perceived in contemporary Europe?
- Real image vs. public image

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