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Intercultural Theology vis-à-vis Ecumenical and Interreligious Dialogue

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The focus of the present Special Issue is to carry forward intercultural theology as a process not only for enriching the theological discourse within the context of one's own faith-community, but as an added stimulus for engaging in ecumenical and interreligious dialogue. The centrality of culture in the ecumenical and interreligious dialogue suggests that these in turn can give rise to a multifaceted intercultural theology.

In this sense, the scope of the Special Issue is to explore innovative aspects of intercultural theology in relation to ecumenical and interreligious dialogue. The efforts made by scholars in this regard can help overcome the confessional or sectarian view of intercultural theology and find its full significance and rightful place in close association with ecumenical and interreligious dialogue. Insofar as dialogue is the central concern, our effort can enhance the existing literature on intercultural theology by relating it to the literature on ecumenism and interreligious dialogue. Such an innovative effort we hope can contribute to cosmotheandric (Cosmos-God-Human) communion and wellbeing.

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