



CALL-FOR-PAPERS

The Religious Other(s)

One-Day Symposium in conjunction with Gingko's Interfaith Fellowship Retreat 2023

International Center for Comparative Theology and Social Issues, University of Bonn,

1-3 September 2023

At the Gingko Interfaith Fellowship Retreat in Cairo in May 2022, Mohammed Gamal Abdelnour and Emmanuel Kwame Tettey, the winners of the Inaugural Gingko Fellowship Collaboration Prize, presented their research into Christian-Muslim relations in Ghana and Egypt. They offered to open up their research and collaboration to the entire Gingko Fellowship and in recognition and celebration of the conclusion of the first cycle of its Fellowship programme, and at the start of a new era, Gingko has decided to support this collaborative research project and open the call-for-papers to all Gingko Fellows and interested scholars.

A research grant of £500 will be awarded to every proposed paper that is selected. The selected papers will be presented at a symposium before the Gingko Interfaith Fellowship Retreat in Bonn in September 2023. Subject to peer-review, the papers will be included in an edited volume. These symposium proceedings will be published by Gingko with the intention that they should be launched a year later, in 2024.

Gingko recognises that religion not only unites people to work together for a common good but can be used to justify violence and stand in the way of justice. Scholars who join the Gingko Interfaith Fellowship critically reflect on their own tradition and its impact. As an interreligious encounter, the Fellowship is important not only because mutual stereotypes can be reduced but because theologians from different traditions face similar questions and might learn from one another.

This call-for-papers invites all Gingko Fellows and interested scholars to submit proposals focusing on one of the following (or related) topics from a comparative perspective:

- internal dissent
- the common enemy
- constitutions and legal frameworks
- political leadership
- the concept of citizenship
- democracy and its critics
- theological, scriptural, and/or legal views of religious others

Please send an abstract of your paper (max. 500 words) by email for review by 31st July 2022 to gingko@gingkolibrary.com. Informal enquiries are welcome. Authors of proposals will be informed of Gingko's decision on their submission by 1st September 2022 and the final papers will be due on 1 August 2023 to be shared with all participants of the symposium.