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On the Uniqueness of Humankind

Über die Sonderstellung des Menschen

28 – 30 March 2001

**Steigenberger Hotel
Bad Neuenahr-Ahrweiler**

Wednesday, 28 March 2001

- 17-19:00 Registration
- 19:30 Keynote Address
Professor Dr. Dr. Hans-Rainer Duncker (Medical Society Gießen)
"Man as a biological and cultural being"
- ca. 21.00 Reception

Thursday, 29 March 2001

Session I: **Anthropology in Philosophical and Biological View**

- Chair:* Professor Dr. Gerhard Vowinckel (University of Hamburg)
- 9:00 Professor Dr. Oswald Schwemmer (Humboldt University Berlin)
"Cultural Existence of Man"
- 9:45 Discussion
- 10:00 Dr. Dr. Klaus-Peter Valerius (University of Gießen)
"Social Structure, Sexuality and Intelligence in Human Evolution – a Synopsis"
- 10:45 Discussion
- 11:00 Break
- 11:30 Final Discussion/Conclusions
- 12:30 Lunch

Session II: **The Uniqueness of Humankind against the Background of Recent Biological Research**

- Chair:* Dr. Felix Thiele (Europäische Akademie GmbH)
- 15:00 Professor Dr. Patrick Bateson (University of Cambridge, UK)
"Genes, Instinct and Identity"
- 15:45 Discussion
- 16:00 Professor Dr. Karl Otto Hondrich (University of Frankfurt/Main)

16:45	Discussion
17:00	Break
17:30	Final Discussion/Conclusions
19:00	Conference Dinner

Friday, 30 March 2001

Session III: **Ethical and Legal Reflection on Uniqueness of Humankind**

Chair: Professor Dr. Peter Janich (University of Marburg)

9:00	Professor Dr. Carl Friedrich Gethmann (Europäische Akademie GmbH) <i>„Die praktische Sonderstellung des Menschen“</i>
9:45	Discussion
10:00	Professor Dr. Wolfgang Löwer (University of Bonn) <i>„Sonderstellung des Menschen im Verfassungsrecht“</i>
10:45	<i>Discussion</i>
11:00	Break
11:30	Final Discussion/Conclusions
12:15	Scientific Committee, Chairpersons <i>Summary thoughts</i>
12:30	End of Conference

Scientific Committee

Professor Dr. H.-R. Duncker (University of Giessen, Chairman of the Medical Society Giessen)
 Professor Dr. C. F. Gethmann (Director of the Europäische Akademie GmbH)
 Dr. K. Priess (Europäische Akademie GmbH)