

Conference on Bioethics, Sustainability and Global health held on 08-12-2018

Report

All India Bioethics Association (AIBA), American University of Sovereign Nations (AUSN) and Loyola-ICAM College of Engineering and Technology (LICET) jointly organized a conference on Bioethics, Sustainability and Global Health on 08-12-2018. More than 80 participants from academic and research Institutions in and around Chennai took part in the conference.

The conference was inaugurated by Rev Dr. Francis P Xavier SJ, the Vice President of Academic and Research, Jesuits Worldwide Learning (JWL), Geneva, after the formal welcome address by Dr. Antony Michael Raj, Principal, LICET. In his inaugural address he mentioned that each year 1.7 million deaths of children under the age of 5 are linked to the present environmental situation. He said that we should respect nature and become stewards and not exploiters of nature. We could learn much more from the Kibbutz model which is very much in practice in Israel. The Kibbutz brings in people to live in community committed to the use of minimum of nature's available resources but to gain the maximum produce. Using drip-irrigation and other similar innovative farming methods, they have converted deserts into oases. He also added more than learning from nature, learning nature is more important and it need not be imposed through decrees or ordinances, but should evolve from living with nature.

Rev. Dr. Alphonse Manickam SJ., Director, LICET delivered the presidential address. He explained the importance of Mother Nature and why we should protect her. Dr. M. Selvanayagam, Dean Research, LICET has presented the dynamics of the conference. During the inaugural function a book entitled "Conflict Resolution-Perspectives from Indian Philosophy and Traditions" was released by Swami Srihariprasad. Darryl Macer, President, American University of Sovereign Nations, Arizona, USA discussed that bioethics is as the love of life means for life. He explained bioethics as the love of life, and argued that this is the foundational value of life.

Dr. Eiko SUDA, National Institute for Environmental Studies, Japan gave a lecture on Toward Partnership with Research Participants, Experiences and Challenges in Japan. Dr. Ravichandran Moorthy, University Kebangsaan Malaysia discussed the Mitigating Conflicts inside a Democracy. M. Selvanayagam, presented a paper on Bioethics and Global Health with Reference to Hand washing in children. Hand washing with soap is a "Do it yourself vaccine" that prevents infection and saves lives.

A paper on Public Health Care in India to Attain Global Health Care was presented by Dr. Aruna Sivakami. Dr.S.Pannerselvam presented on Bioethics, Philosophy and Sustainability, Dr. Sarjit S.Gill on Societal Ethics and Conflict Management of the Sikh Community in Malaysia, and Dr. V.Balambal on Problems of Children and Prospects of Child Development Goal.

In the afternoon four papers were presented by the participants on various topics related to bioethics and sustainability. The curtain was brought down with the valedictory function.







**Joint All India Association of Bioethics (AIBA)-AUSN
&
Loyola-ICAM College of Engineering and Technology**

Loyola campus, Nungambakkam, Chennai

Cordially invite you to the inaugural function of

**Seminar on Bioethics Sustainability and
Global Health Training**

at 09:30 am on 08th Dec 2018

in LICET auditorium, LICET

Rev Dr Francis P Xavier SJ

Vice President for Academics and Research

Jesuit Worldwide Learning (JWL)

Geneva, Switzerland.

will deliver the inaugural address

Rev Dr Alphonse Manickam SJ

Director, LICET

will deliver the presidential address

Dr L Antony Michael Raj

Principal, LICET

will welcome the gathering

Dr M Selvanayagam

Dean-Research, LICET

will speak on the dynamics of the conference

Book Release

Conflict Resolution: Perspectives from
Indian Philosophy and Traditions

by

Swami Srihariprasad

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