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## The World Religious Conference Has Begun



Approximately 110 foreign and 150 domestic guests participated at the Third World Conference on Dialogue among Religions and Civilizations which began yesterday afternoon and continues today. The formal beginning was marked by Prime Minister Nikola Gruevski, Minister for Culture Elizabeta Kanchevska-Milevska and Director of the Commission for Relations with Religious Communities and Religious Groups Valentina Bozhinovska.

The theme of the conference is freedom and dignity - core values in interpersonal, intercultural and interreligious relations, "and it will celebrate three anniversaries: 1700 years of the Edict of Milan - gaining freedom for Christianity; 70 years since the Holocaust and 10 years since the Summit of the heads of State of South East Europe Dialogue among Civilizations "within the framework of UNESCO and the Ohrid message of peace, initiated by the late President Boris Trajkovski in 2003. In the agenda tomorrow are panel sessions, which will be open topics: Pluralistic societies and religious tolerance, "To live together with respect for diversity" and the media's contribution to interreligious and intercultural dialogue. "

In the fram of the conference, there will be the international promotion of Collected Works of St.. Kliment Ohridski ", which the Archbishop of Ohrid and Macedonia HH Stefan will speak to. The first day of the conference will end with a reception for participants which will be hosted by the Prime Minister, Gruevski.

For today, the schedule is a forum for youth on the role of religion in building tolerant youth "with subtopics: Social networks, youth and spirituality; role of youth NGOs in creating value systems among youth, Practices and experiences in working with youth in multi-religious, multiethnic and multicultural environments.

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