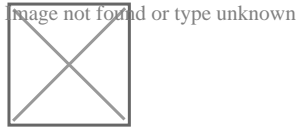


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WHO: Rev. Dr. John Chryssavgis, director, Ecumenical Patriarchate Press Office for the Holy and Great Council

WHAT: Webinar-hosted media conference on the upcoming Holy and Great Council, June 16-27, 2016, Orthodox Academy of Crete

WHEN: Wednesday, June 15, 17:00 hrs in Crete (UTC +3)

Jun 15, 2016 10:00 AM (GMT-4:00) Eastern Time (US and Canada)

WHERE: Register at <https://goarch.zoom.us/webinar/register/2fbeca7b18df91034ac87b605f06faf5>

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BACKGROUND: The Press Office of the Ecumenical Patriarchate hosts a website, www.orthodoxcouncil.org, which provides background information on the Holy and Great Council, which will meet in Crete June 16-27 and gathers approximately 500 representatives from the autocephalous (internally self-governing) Orthodox Churches to discuss issues ranging from the mission of the Orthodox Church in the modern world and its relations with other Christian churches, to the importance of fasting and the sacrament of marriage.

Rev. Dr. John Chryssavgis is an author and theologian serving as Archdeacon of the Ecumenical Patriarchate and theological advisor to the Ecumenical Patriarch. He is a clergyman of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America. Born in Australia, he graduated from Athens University and Oxford University. His publications focus on medieval theology, as well as on the history of the Eastern Church. His interests embrace the areas of spirituality and ecology. He co-founded St Andrew's Theological College in Sydney, where he also taught at the University of Sydney. In 1995, he was appointed professor of theology at Holy Cross School of Theology and directed the Religious Studies Program at Hellenic College. He has also taught at the University of Balamand in Lebanon. He has published more than 30 books and numerous articles in several languages.

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