



Global Ecumenical Theological Institute

*“God of life, lead us to justice and peace –
The Future of Ecumenism and the Transformation
of World Christianity in the 21st Century”*

Seoul and Busan/ -Korea, 25 October – 9 November 2013

What is the GETI programme?

The Global Ecumenical Theological Institute (GETI) is a major event for about 150 younger advanced theology students from all regions of the world and all Christian denominational traditions. It will take place in Seoul and Busan/Korea from the 25 October to 9 November 2013, alongside the World Council of Churches' 10th Assembly. The project aims to bring young theologians to the Assembly for an intensive theological course program for a period of 2 weeks. Its curriculum focuses on *“the future of ecumenism and the transformation of World Christianity in the 21st century”* and will be geared to the theme of the WCC Assembly *“God of life, lead us to justice and peace”*. GETI will be a place for ecumenical leadership formation, intense theological learning and mutual dialogue as well as inter-generational dialogue with important leaders of the ecumenical and evangelical movement.

The programme will also include excursions such as a visit to Gwangju, which is a cultural, social and political Korean city with great significance for Korean history. Furthermore, participants will have an opportunity to take part in some major Assembly events [GETI students will not however participate in Assembly business sessions].

GETI is a special initiative which is prepared and supported by the Ecumenical Theological Education Programme of the WCC (ETE) in cooperation with Bossey Ecumenical Institute and a network of partnering theological colleges and associations of theological schools in both Korea and the regions.

In early spring 2013, a GETI reader will be released. This will be a collection of core texts from major ecumenical programmes that can be used both within GETI (the different texts will be discussed in the seminar sessions) as well as in regional Courses on Ecumenism and World Christianity in theological seminars and faculties around the world.

Furthermore, a special GETI web page will be created on the digital working platform of the Global Digital Library for Theology and Ecumenism – GlobeTheoLib (see www.globethics.net/geti).

Costs

The costs per participant are twofold: A GETI registration fee of 1'500 USD has to be covered as well as the individual travel fees to reach Seoul. The supporting organization should cover at least part of the costs as far as financial means are available. There are some funds at hand from the ETE-WCC and partner organizations to support students from the global South.

Criteria for participants

Generally, participants will have to be nominated by sending and financing partners. Interested individuals can apply on their own, but will have to ask for financial support from an organization and have to be related to a major institution of theological education.

Participants eligible for being proposed to participate in GETI have to fulfil the following criteria:

- advanced (Master degree) or post-graduate (PhD) students of Christian theology
- age group of advanced theology students or younger lecturer up to 45 years
- strong interest in the ecumenical movement, contextual theological developments and interfaith dialogue and fluency in English language

Application form

A general application form for GETI is available [here](#). Nomination forms should be sent to ETE office until end of January 2013.

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