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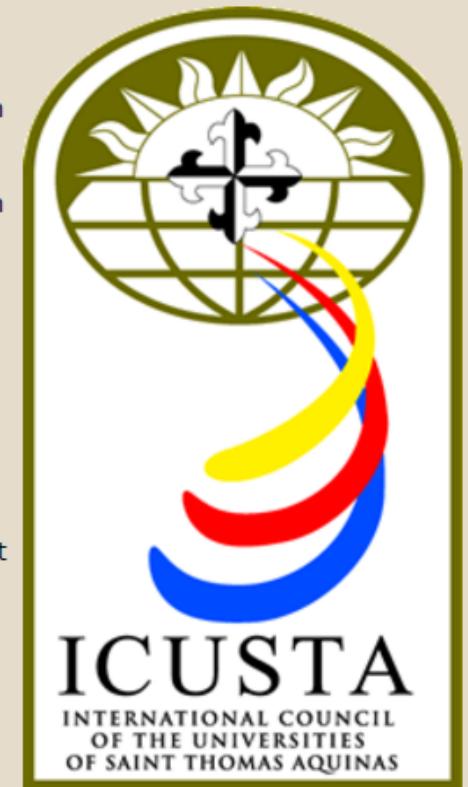


**ICUSTA**[Mission & Vision](#)[Member Universities](#)[Activities, Events & News](#)[Organization](#)[Documents](#)[Contact Us](#)[Newsletters](#)**What and Who are we?**

The International Council of Universities of St Thomas Aquinas (ICUSTA) is an international association of Catholic institutions of higher learning that faithfully adhere to the ideals and teachings of St. Thomas Aquinas. ICUSTA's main purpose is to encourage cooperation and collaboration, and international understanding among its members. ICUSTA fosters student and faculty exchanges through bilateral agreements and promotes other collaborative initiatives such as: on-line course offerings related to globalization, faculty lecture exchange opportunities, and faculty collaborative research opportunities.

ICUSTA was founded in 1993 by the University of St. Thomas in Santiago, Chile, by Dr. Gerardo Rocha Vera, the President of the UST Corporation in Chile, a small group of mostly South American institutions attended the first meeting. The group decided to expand and hold a biennial meeting, beginning in 1995 with the University of St. Thomas, in Houston, Texas accepting the challenge of hosting ICUSTA. Since that time, the organization has expanded to its current membership of twenty-five institutions. General Assembly of ICUSTA members and friends have been held biennially at: UST Manila, Philippines in 1997; STU Fredericton, Canada in 1999; UST Rome, Italy in 2001; at FASTA in Mar del Plata, Argentina in 2003; at Abat Oliba University in Barcelona, Spain in 2005; at Australian Catholic University in Melbourne, Australia in 2007; at Mary Immaculate College in Limerick, Ireland, in 2009; and at UST Manila, Phillipines in 2011.

ICUSTA will return to Europe in 2013 at Institute of Catholic Superior Studies (ICES) in France. In 2015 ICUSTA will hold its biennial meeting for the first time in Africa, when the University of St Thomas, Mabuto, Mozambique will be host for the 11th ICUSTA Biennial General Assembly. For more information about the 11th Biennial Conference of ICUSTA see [www.ices.fr2013](http://www.ices.fr2013)





## Initiatives

ICUSTA organizes and supports projects in social volunteering, international programs and courses, r

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## Exchange

For fostering international cooperation, ICUSTA sponsors grants and programs for students and facult

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## Biennials

Every two years ICUSTA members meet in different countries for strengthening personal and institutio

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## News



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**Aenean massa. Cum sociis natoque penatibus et magnis dis parturient montes**

May 2017

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## Iniciativas

ICUSTA organiza y apoya proyectos de voluntariado social, programas y cursos



## Intercambios

Para fomentar la cooperación internacional, ICUSTA patrocina becas y



## Binales

Cada dos años los miembros de ICUSTA se reúnen en diferentes países para fortalecer



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1. UST Houston

Dr. Ravi Srinivas

Vice-President for Academic Affairs

– ICES France

Mrs. Emilie Daudin-Clavaud

Director of International Relations

# AIRES

Aquinas Initiative for  
Religion, Education, and Science

AIRES

# The Beginnings .....

- ICUSTA Faith and Science Network (IFSINE)
- 5 ICUSTA members proposed a STAIEP project in **2014** five representatives
- ICES-France; MIC-Ireland; UST-Manila; ProvU-Taiwan; UST-Houston – Leaders: Prof. Quentin & Frohlich
- Goal: disseminate the Faith/Science dialog to undergraduate students
- Received \$5000 funding to attend the International Society for Science & Religion conference in San Diego, USA – also for planning ISFINE
- Consulted with other conference participants- esp. Prof. Robert Russell (UC-Berkeley)

# The Project Takes Off ....

- Planning meetings to discuss **WHY**, **WHAT**, and **HOW**
- Firmed plans for a Templeton Foundation Grant
- Consultations with experts worldwide in 2015+
- In Rome- March/April 2015
  - Fr. Francis--Xavier Dumortier (President/Rector, University of the Gregorian)
  - Fr. Gianfranco Basti (Former Dean, Philosophy; Mathematics, Theology) (Lateran University)
  - Msgr. Thomasz Trafny (Director, Pontifical Committee for Science and Faith, Pontifical Council for Culture)
- Presentation at 2015 ICUSTA Biennial in Santiago
- 2016 Regional Meetings (Philippines, France & Chile)
- Faith & Science within cultural contexts of each region

# February 22, 2016: Manila

## Symposium at University of Santo Tomas



# February 22, 2016: Manila

## 1. « Why Science is compatible with Religion »

« Natural sciences, obstacle or opportunity for the Christian faith? », Pr Philippe Quentin, ICES

« Catholic thought and the theory of evolution by natural selection » Pr Donald Frohlich, UST Houston

+ Pr Kirchhoffer, ACU

## 2. Discussion on the AIRES project

proposed program: interdisciplinary courses, training courses, online courses, website, translations, funding & workshop in december 2017

*Participants: UST Houston, ICES France, ACU*

*+ 15 persons from Manila*



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### Aquinas Initiative for Religion, Education and Science



# Faith & Fact:

**Why Science is Compatible with Religion**

***A Symposium on Faith and Science***

#### PLENARY SPEAKERS

**Prof. Don Frolich, Ph.D.**

Professor of Biology  
University of St. Thomas  
Houston, Texas, USA

**Prof. Philippe Quentin**

Institut Catholique d' Etudes  
Superieures La Roche and Universite  
de Bordeaux, France

**February 22, 2016 • 9:00AM**

Civil Law Auditorium  
University of Santo Tomas  
Manila, Philippines

# April 22, 2016: France, La Roche sur Yon

1. Conference « L'infini » (Infinity)
2. half-day encounter at ICES with CEU Madrid

*CEU Madrid*

*ICES France*

*UST Houston*



# May 5-6, 2016: Chile

- Regional meeting and seminar & publication of a book



*UST Santiago  
ICES France  
UST Houston*

# INVESTIGACIÓN CIENTÍFICA Y FE CATÓLICA

William Carroll  
UNIVERSIDAD SANTO TOMÁS

Carlos A. Casanova  
CENTRO DE ESTUDIOS TOMISTAS  
Don Frohlich

SANTIAGO, 2017  
Philippe Quentin  
Alejandro Serani  
Rafael Vicuña



William Carroll, Don Frohlich, Rector Nacional UST, Jaime Vatter, y Philippe Quentin.

# November 21-23, 2016: Bogotá

- Working session in order to decide purpose, actions and budget for the Templeton final proposal



Ruben Herce, Filosofía de la Ciencia – *U. de Navarra, Pamplona, España*

Carlos Gomez Filosofía de la Religión, *U. de Rosario – Bogotá, Colombia*

Christopher Baglow, Teología, *Notre Dame Seminary- New Orleans US*

Edgar Lopez, Teología, *U. Javeriana, Bogotá, Colombia*

Ignacio Serrano, Educación, *Universidad Santo Tomás, Santiago, Chile*

Edgar Eslava, Física, *UST Bogota, Colombia*

# JR Templeton Foundation Grant

- Proposal submitted- June 1, 2017; Result known in July
- Total amount requested US \$217,400
- Duration: Jan. 1, 2018 – 31 Dec. 31, 2019
- Participants: UST-Manila, UST-Chile, UST-Houston, ICES-France (+ 6 non-ICUSTA universities)
- Project outputs (main):
  - 15 courses/modules: undergraduate, graduate, seminarian, high school
  - Multilingual website with teaching resources and communication tools and online journal
  - Conference on Science, religion and education in Manila – December 2018



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### 2. Universidad Francisco de Vitoria

Mrs. María Lacalle

*Vice-Rector of Faculty and Academic Organization*

Premios Razón Abierta

# Premios Razón Abierta

Convocados por la Universidad Francisco de Vitoria y la Fundación Joseph Ratzinger.

**Objetivo:** reconocer e impulsar la innovación desde la propuesta de Benedicto XVI de *ampliar los horizontes de la razón*.

**Trabajos transdisciplinares:** apertura desde área científica una a un principio integrador (relación con filosofía y teología).

**Áreas:** Ciencias Jurídicas, Económicas y Sociales; Ciencias de la Comunicación; Ciencias Biomédicas y de la Salud; Tecnologías de la Información y Arquitectura; Humanidades, Filosofía y Teología.

**Categorías:** 1) docencia 2) investigación.

**Primera edición:** Llegaron 367 trabajos de 30 países.

El próximo 31 de julio se anunciarán los ganadores de los 4 premios de 25.000 euros cada uno.



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### 3. IPC: Facultés Libres de Philosophie et de Psychologie

Dr. Bruno Couillaud

*Professor, Lecturer in Logic*

IPC's experience in the teaching of  
the thought of Thomas Aquinas for  
the XXI century



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### 4. Sociedad Tomista Argentina

Dra. María Celestina Donadío Maggi de Gandolfi

*Presidente de la STA*

# Aportes de la STA

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- **Fundación:** por Monseñor Octavio Nicolas Derisi en 1948.
- **Finalidad:** promover los estudios sobre el pensamiento de Santo Tomás de Aquino.
- Reconocida por la Pontificia Universidad Católica Argentina.
- La **revista SAPIENTIA**.
- Las **Semanas Tomistas**.
- Las Semanas XVII y XXXVIII: ***Fe, Razón y Agnosticismo***.
  - Es preciso revalorizar la razón humana.
  - Integración de filosofía y ciencias.
  - Ética filosófica y Teología moral.
- XLII Semana Tomista: **septiembre 2017, Naturaleza, Cultura y Gracia**.



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## IV CONGRESO INTERNACIONAL DE FILOSOFÍA TOMISTA

3<sup>RD</sup> INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE  
ON THOMISTIC PHILOSOPHY

Santiago 17, 18 y 19 de julio de 2018

Para más información:  
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# Temas Sello

**Tema anual:** un personaje o una obra que encarne alguno de los valores humanistas cristianos del ideario institucional.

Normalmente con ocasión de un **aniversario** o evento contingente.

Abordado desde **distintas miradas**: biográfica, disciplinar, filosófica, teológica.

**Organizan:** Dirección Nacional de Formación e Identidad, otras unidades académicas, instituciones externas.

**Actividades:**

- conferencias y coloquios
- eventos artísticos y lúdicos
- concursos y exposiciones
- difusión de textos
- incorporación del tema en asignaturas obligatorias y electivas.

# Temas Sello

