

# Mass Conversion and Baptism in the History of Christianity

12–13 April 2024

Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin

## Friday, 12 April

14.30–15.00<sup>1</sup> *Judith Becker, Berlin/Uta Heil, Wien*

Welcome and introduction

15.00–16.00 *Thorsten Dietz, Zürich*

The use of the term "mass" in Protestant Christianity

– Coffee break –

16.30–18.00 *Uta Heil, Wien*

Mass baptisms in Ireland? On texts and traditions in the early Middle Ages

*Hermut Löhr, Bonn*

ὄχλοι πολλοί. Reflections on the narrative function and historical significance of crowd scenarios in early Christian narrative literature

## Saturday, 13 April

9.00–10.30 *Mariano Delgado, Fribourg*

The controversy surrounding mass baptisms in the Catholic missions to the Americas in the Early Modern period (online)

*Tintu K. J., Kottayam*

A Curious Case of Conversion of a Christian Community to Christianity: The Portuguese and the Syrian Christians in Kerala, South India (C. 16th-17th Century) (online)

– Coffee break –

11.00–12.30 *Jan Stievermann, Heidelberg*

American Evangelicalism and the Prussian Erweckungsbewegung, ca. 1815–1850

*Mrinalini Sebastian, Philadelphia*

The different approaches of the Danish-English-Halle Mission and the Basel Mission towards baptism and cast (online)

12.30–13.00 Final discussion

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