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The **8<sup>th</sup> International Conference of Orthodox Theology** will be held in Thessaloniki, Greece from 21-25 May 2018. The conference, with presentations from 120 theologians, eminent spiritual leaders and distinguished professors from 20 countries, 25 university faculties and theology institutions, has as its topic:

‘The Holy and Great Council of the Orthodox Church: Orthodox Theology in the 21st Century’

The conference is being hosted by the School of Theology at Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, under the auspices of the Ecumenical Patriarch, Bartholomew I. The speakers will include His Beatitude Archbishop Anastasios of Albania, Elder Archbishop of America Demetrios of America, Metropolitans Amfilohije of Montenegro, Nifon of Târgoviște, Gennadios of Sassima, Chrysostomos of Messinia, Elpidophoros of Bursa, Maximos of Selyvria, the Bishops Kyrillos of Abydos, Makarios of Christoupoli as well as one hundred professors, clerics, monks, nuns, and secular men and women. The above will discuss the subjects referred to in the official texts of the Holy and Great Council held two years ago in relation to the modern world

This International Conference is being held for the first time in the city of Thessaloniki in the Auditorium of the Faculty of Philosophy (Old Building) and in the Hall of the Faculty of Theology of Aristotle University of Thessaloniki. This Conference is included in the series of conferences of Orthodox Theology Faculties which was inaugurated in 1936 in Athens and continued in Athens 1976, Boston 1987, Bucharest 1992, Belgrade 2001, Sofia 2004 and Joensuu in 2006.

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