Neo-Calvinism and the French Revolution

Paris, France – August 23rd-24th, 2012





Conference

Kampen Theological University, the Archive and Documentation Centre and the Historical Documentation Centre at the Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam invite you to a two-day conference on neo-Calvinism (Abraham Kuyper, Herman Bavinck, Groen van Prinsterer et al) and the French Revolution.

Speakers

Prof. George Harinck (VU Amsterdam, TU Kampen)

Prof. James Bratt (Calvin College)

Dr. Mark Elliott (St Andrews)

Dr. James Eglinton (TU Kampen)

Robert Covolo (Fuller)







Theme

The French Revolution was the scene of much intellectual and social upheaval. Its impact touched a wide range of subjects: the relationship of the church to the state, social relationships, science, literature, fashion, philosophy and theology. Although the French Revolution's momentum was felt across Europe and North America, it met a particularly interesting response in the Netherlands, at that time the scene of a burgeoning neo-Calvinist movement. In that context, the likes of Groen van Prinsterer, Abraham Kuyper and Herman Bavinck responded to the French Revolution's ideals and influence in a variety of intellectual and practical ways.

This conference will focus on the historical and theological aspects of this neo-Calvinist response to the French Revolution.

Call for Papers

The conference organisers welcome proposals for short papers. Proposals (approximately 300 words) should be sent to jeglinton@tukampen.nl by May 4th. Conference papers will be in English.

Registration

The conference registration fee is €40. Conference places must be reserved by email (jeglinton@tukampen.nl) by May 30th.

Location and Accommodation

The conference will be held at:

The Library
The American Church in Paris
65 quai d'Orsay
75007 Paris
France

Participants are responsible for finding their own accommodation. The organisers suggest the Adveniat Youth Hostel (http://www.adveniat-paris.org/) as a well-priced, comfortable and convenient option.





