

## Editorial

Today we are pleased to present to our readers the first 2015 issue of *Religions & Christianity in Today's China* (中国宗教评论). As usual, it includes the regular series of News Updates with an insight into recent events and general trends with regard to religions and especially Christianity in today's China.

Fr. Dr. Piotr Adamek SVD, director of Monumenta Serica Institute in Sankt Augustin, who is closely following the situation of the Orthodox Church in China, in his article describes the first ordination in its recent history. The new Chinese Orthodox priests expected for the Mainland in the coming years would bring a new quality to the Orthodox presence in China.

Furthermore, Dr. Dirk Kuhlmann, also Monumenta Serica Institute, gives a conference report of the international Workshop "I have called you by name' – Contribution of Chinese Women to the Church" which from September 25 to 26, 2014 in Sankt Augustin brought together scholars from PR China, Germany, Sweden, Taiwan and the United States. A main tenor of the workshop was that research on the situation of women in the churches of China is far from being exhaustively explored. The papers will be published in English as well as in Chinese.

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