

Success Achieved in Paris by the Master's Degree Student of Tbilisi Theological Academy



On Wednesday, October 21, Mr. Grigol Kublashvili successfully defended his dissertation thesis at Sergius Orthodox Theological Institute, in Paris. The theme of the doctoral dissertation was the identity and teachings of Leontius of Byzantium.

Grigol Kublashvili completed his master's degree course at Tbilisi Theological Academy and Seminary (2012-2015), and in the years 2016-2020 took the course on the Doctoral programme at St. Sergius Orthodox Institute of Theology, in Paris.

The scientific supervisor of the dissertation was Honorary Professor (Emeritus) of Saint Sergius Orthodox Institute of Theology (Institut de Théologie Orthodoxe Saint-Serge), Mr. Joost van Rossum. The Dissertation Council was chaired by Professor Nicolas Cernokrak, (Nikola Cernokrak), Archpriest, Dean of Saint Sergius Orthodox Institute of Theology (Institut de Théologie Orthodoxe Saint-Serge). Official opponents were the Rector of Tbilisi Theological Academy and Seminary, Protopresbyter Giorgi Zviadadze, PhD in Theology and Philology, Professor; Dean of the Department of Religious Sciences (Section des Sciences religieuses) of the Higher School of Sorbonne (Ecole Pratique des Hautes Etudes), Professor Vassa Kontouma (Vassa Kontouma) and the teacher at Saint Sergius Orthodox Institute of

Theology, Julia Naett-Vidovic (Julija Naett-Vidovic), Professor.

The dissertation was assessed as excellent according to the French standard – Mention très honorable avec félicitations du jury, and the doctoral student was also advised to publish the paper.

Tbilisi Theological Academy and Seminary congratulates Mr. Grigol Kublashvili on the successful defense of his dissertation.