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Forthcoming talk by His Eminence Archbishop Makarios of Australia

His Eminence Archbishop Makarios of Australia, Dean of St Andrew's Theological College will be delivering the keynote address at the St John of Damascus Institute of Theology, University of Balamand on the occasion of the Institute's 50th anniversary since its establishmen

The lecture will be posted LIVE on the Facebook Page: Institute of Theology – Balamand on Saturday, November 28, 2020 at 11:00 a.m. (Beirut Time; GMT+2).

His Eminence Archbishop Makarios of Australia is a graduate of the Higher Ecclesiastical School of Athens and of the Theological School of the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens. He completed post-graduate studies at the

Universities of Boston, (Master of Sacred Theology), Harvard, (Master of Arts), and Monash, (Master of Bioethics), whilst his doctoral dissertation was received and passed as "Excellent" by the Medical School of the University of Crete, entitled: "Cloning: Social, Ethical and Theological Components".

Since 2003 he has been teaching at the Patriarchal Academy of Crete. He has also served as a visiting Professor to various Universities, amongst which are the Theological College of Holy Cross in Boston, the University of Tartu and the Medical Schools of the Universities of Crete, Thessaly and Athens, and Estonia. Today His Eminence is the Dean of St. Andrews Theological Seminary in Australia.

He became a monk and Deacon in 1993, a Presbyter in 1997 and an Archimandrite in 1998 at the Holy Monastery of Saint George Epanosifi. He also served as a Member of the Synodal Committee for "Bioethics and Contemporary Concerns", Director of the Press Office and Preacher of the Archdiocese of Crete from 2002 up till his election as bishop. He founded the Publishing Series "All About Bioethics", operating under the auspices of the Ecumenical Patriarchate.

On April 27, 2015, he was unanimously elected Bishop of Christopoulis by the Holy Synod of the Ecumenical Patriarchate. In 2008, he was appointed as representative on the Panorthodox Committee for Bioethics, and in 2018 he was appointed President of the Synodal Committee for Bioethics of the Ecumenical Patriarchate. On May 9, 2019, the Holy Synod of the Ecumenical Patriarchate elected him Archbishop of Australia.