

Prof. Szabolcs Anzelm SZUROMI, OPraem
– Curriculum vitae –

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Short biography: *Born in 1972 (Budapest, Hungary). He is a Hungarian canon lawyer and medievalist university professor, awarded with Széchenyi-prize, full member of the Academia Europaea (London). Best known for his work in paleographical and codicological research on the original pre-Gratian manuscripts, 'work in progress' theory regarding canonical collections between the 8th and 12th century; and historical development of relationship between Church and state. He is invited lecturer of several European, USA, South American, West Asian, Middle Eastern and Far Eastern universities, as well as being a leader or participant in several international scientific research programs. In his research field he is a highly cited researcher with more than 850 registered international scientific publications.*

• **Scientific Degrees and Titles**

2016 Dr.h.c. at the *Armenian State Pedagogical University after Khachatur Abovyan* (in Church History, Yerevan, Armenia)

2015 MAE (Full Member of the *Academia Europaea*, London)

2010 DSc (Doctor of Sciences in Law and Political Sciences; *Hungarian Academy of Sciences*, Budapest)

2006 PhD (Ecclesiology; *Pázmány Péter Catholic University*, Budapest)

2002 Dr. Habil. (Canon Law History; *Pázmány Péter Catholic University*, Budapest)

2000 PhD (Canon Law; *Pázmány Péter Catholic University*, Budapest)

• **Main activities and offices**

2024ff Member of the *Publishing Council of the Hungarian National Museum Public Collection Center* (Budapest)

2024ff Director of the *International Research Center of Early Christian Literature and History* (Budapest)

2024ff Presidential Scientific Chief Adviser (National Library of Hungary, Budapest)

2024ff Research Professor (*Pázmány Péter Catholic University*, Budapest)

2024-2029 Chairman of *Corvina Foundation* (Budapest)

2023ff Full Member of the *Armenian National Council for Culture* (Yerevan)

2023 Initiator and organizer of the *Independent International Association for Evaluation of Scientific Journals on Sacred Sciences* (Budapest – Rome)

2023ff Program Director for Islamic – Christian Dialogue of the *Hussein Institute for Dialogue and Peacebuilding Imam Hussein Holy Shrine* (Najaf, Iraq)

2021ff Co-Chairman of *Center for Interfaith Dialogue of the 'Abraham' Religions'* (Kut University College, Al-Kut [Iraq] – Wasit University, Al-Kut [Iraq] – University of Al-Nisoor University College, Bagdad [Iraq])

2021ff Consultant of the *QS Intelligence Unit (QSIU)* at the American University of Ras Al Khaimah (United Arab Emirates)

2020-2024 President of the *Hungarian National Libraries' Board of Trustees* (Budapest)

2020ff External Specialist (Middle East and North Africa Policy – Research Program):

- Institute for Foreign Affairs and Trade*, Budapest (April 1st 2020 – December 31st 2022; under new name since January 1st 2023: *Hungarian Institute of International Affairs*)
- 2019-2024 Director of *Program of Bibliotheca Corvina Virtualis* (National Library of Hungary, Budapest)
- 2019-2023 Member of the *Hungarian National Library' Board of Trustees* (Budapest)
- 2018ff Director of the *Centro internacional de estudios familiares* (Universidad de Piura, Lima-Piura)
- 2018ff Co-Chairman of *Center of Islamic and Christian Dialogue* (Wasit University, Al-Kut [Iraq] – Kut University College, Al-Kut [Iraq])
- 2017-2020 Co-Leader of Institute for *Process Systems Engineering & Sustainability' Research Team* (PPCU, Budapest – Székesfehérvár)
- 2016ff Member of the *Scientific Committee* of the advanced program “Il diritto canonico nella storia: studio e ricerca sulle fonti” at the *Studium Generale Marcianum, Facoltà di Diritto Canonico* (Venezia)
- 2015ff Board Member of *Fundación Derecho y Europa* (Madrid – Coruña)
- 2014-2020 Member of the *Scientific and Science-Ethical Committee of the Scientific Council of National Health Care* (Budapest, Hungary: until June 30th 2020)
- 2013ff Member of the *Commissio Historica Ordinis Praemonstratensis* (Rome – Averbode – Regensburg)
- 2013ff Director of the *International Canon Law History Research Center* (PPCU, Budapest)
- 2012-2017 Member of the *Steering Committee, International Research University Network* (IRUN)
- 2012-2019 Chairman of the *Committee of the Hungarian Ecclesiastical Higher Educational Institutes* (reelected in 2014; reelected in 2016; reelected in 2018)
- 2012-2019 President of the *Committee of Theological Studies, Hungarian Rectors' Conference of the Hungarian Higher Educational Institutes* (reelected in 2014; reelected in 2016; reelected in 2018)
- 2011ff Member of the *State and Jurisprudence Committee, Hungarian Academy of Sciences* (with voting right: 2011-2014)
- 2011-2019 Member of the *Presidential Board, Hungarian Rectors' Conference of the Hungarian Higher Educational Institutes* (reelected in 2014; reelected in 2016; reelected in 2018)
- 2011-2019 Member of the *Plenum, Hungarian Rectors' Conference of the Hungarian Higher Educational Institutes* (Budapest)
- 2011-2019 President of *PPCU*
- 2010-2011 Head of the *Theological Doctorate School of PPCU*
- 2009-2024 Head of the *Department of Canon Law, Faculty of Theology of PPCU*
- 2009-2011 Member of the *Hungarian Doctorate Council*
- 2008-2011 Chairman of the *Doctorate and Habilitation Council of PPCU*
- 2007-2011 Vice-President of *PPCU*
- 2006-2011 Member of the *Plenum, Hungarian Higher Educational Accreditation Committee*
- 2006-2011 President of the *Committee for Theology and Religious Studies, Hungarian Higher Educational Accreditation Committee*
- 2006-2011 Member of the *Doctorate Committee, Hungarian Higher Educational Accreditation Committee*
- 2006-2011 Member of the *University Professor Evaluation Committee, Hungarian Higher Educational Accreditation Committee*
- 2006-2019 Director of the *Canon Law Program of Theological Doctorate School of PPCU*
- 2006-2015 President of the *Canon Law Institute "ad instar facultatis" of PPCU* [Acting]

2015-2019]
 2006ff Vice-prefect (Institutions of Consecrated Life and Societies of Apostolic Life) of the
Central Supervision of the Hungarian Catholic Cultural Collections (OKGYK)
 2003-2024 Head of the *Constitutional Law Department, Canon Law Institute "ad instar
 facultatis" of PPCU*
 1999-2006 Visiting Professor; *Széchenyi István State University, Faculty of Law, Department
 of Legal History; Department of Private Law* (Győr, Hungary)

• **Scientific background and activities**

Continuous research in the most significant European, Russian, and American 11th – 13th
 century canonical manuscript collections since 2000. Examination of 2nd – 9th century canon
 law manuscripts in Greek, Coptic, Armenian and Syriac in collections in England, Russia,
 Egypt, Armenia since 2020. Compiler and descriptor of new catalogues of medieval canon
 law material of the following collections:

- Bibliothèque nationale de France (Paris; since 2005)
- Gonville and Caius College (Cambridge, UK; since 2005)
- National Library of St. Petersburg (Russia; since 2006)
- British Library (London, UK; since 2015)
- Corpus Christi College (Cambridge, UK; since 2017)

2025-2031 Chairman of the *Hungarian Society for Canon Law History* (Budapest, Hungary)
 2023ff Invited Lecturer of the *University of Kufa* (Kufa, Iraq)
 2023ff Invited Lecturer of the *Al-Kut University College* (Al-Kut, Iraq)
 2023ff Member of the *University Cultural Center, Wasit University* (Al-Kut, Iraq)
 2020ff Member of *Ereky Public Law Research Center* (PPCU, Budapest, since December 3rd
 2020)
 2019ff Professor Visitante of *Universidad Nacional Mayor de San Marcos* (Lima, Peru)
 2019ff Professor Visitante Illustre of *Universidad Católica de Trujillo Benedicto XVI*
 (Trujillo, Peru)
 2018 Invited Lecturer of *Catholic University of Korea* (South Korea, Seoul)
 2017 Invited Lecturer of *Catholic University of Korea* (South Korea, Seoul)
 2016ff Full Member of *St. Stephan Academy of Sciences* (Budapest, Hungary)
 2014ff Visiting Professor of *Studium Generale Marcianum, Facoltà di Diritto Canonico*
 (Venice, Italy)
 2014-2017 Visiting Professor of *International Institute of Theological and Tribunal Studies*
 (San Antonio [USA, Texas] – Mexico City [Mexico])
 2014-2015 Member of *Bolyai Judging Committee of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences*
 2013ff Member of the Advisory Board of *Stephan Kuttner Institute of Medieval Canon Law*
 (Yale University, New Haven, USA)
 2011ff Visiting Professor of *Christendom College, Vita Consecrata Institute* (USA, Virginia)
 2009-2013 Visiting Professor of *International Institute of Tribunal Studies* (Archdiocese of
 Los Angeles [USA, California])
 2008-2013 Member of the Advisory Board of *Stephan Kuttner Institute of Medieval Canon
 Law* (Munich, Germany)
 2007ff Member of the *Religious Freedom Research Team of PPCU*
 2006-2019 Chairman of the *Hungarian Canon Law Association* (Budapest, Hungary)
 2006ff Visiting Professor of *Eötvös Lorand Science University, Faculty of Law and Political
 Sciences* (Budapest, Hungary)
 2005ff Visiting Professor of the *Ius Civile dell' Europa Comune: Fondamenti storici e*

prospettive di integrazione giuridica Doctorate Program (Budapest-Catania-Napoli-Rome-Warsaw-Moscow)

2004ff Researcher of *Stephan Kuttner Institute of Medieval Canon Law* (Munich, Germany)

2001ff Member of the *Consociatio Internationalis Studio Iuris Canonici Promovendo* (Roma, Italy)

2000ff Researcher of *Instituto de Derecho Europeo Clásico* (Madrid-Roma, Spain-Italy)

2000ff Visiting Professor at *Universidad de Las Palmas de Gran Canaria, Scienza Juridica* (Las Palmas, Spain)

2000ff Member of the *Hungarian Canon Law Association* (Budapest, Hungary)

1999ff Member of the *Ius Commune Research Team of PPCU* (Leader of the research team since 2002)

1999ff Member of the *Medieval Ecclesiastical History Research Team of PPCU*

• Awards

2023 *For the University Award* (University of Kufa, Kufa, Iraq)

2023 *Shenouda III Memory-Prize*, Coptic Orthodox Church (Cairo, Egypt)

2023 *Széchenyi Prize* (Budapest, Hungary)

2022 *Medal of Merit for the Service of the Coptic Orthodox Church* (Cairo, Egypt)

2021 *For Wasit Governorate Award* (Wasit, Al-Kut, Iraq)

2021 *Justice and Tolerance Award* (Wasit University, Al-Kut, Iraq)

2019 *Pro Universitate Award* (Simmelweis University, Budapest, Hungary)

2019 *Medal of Universidad Católica de Trujillo Benedicto XVI* (Tjuillo, Peru)

2019 *Medal of Universidad Nacional Mayor de San Marcos* (Lima, Peru)

2019 *Medal of Universidad de Piura* (Piura, Peru)

2019 *Insignia of Haigazian University* (Beirut, Lebanon)

2018 *Honorary Citizen of University of Miskolc* (Hungary)

2018 *Medal – Patriarchatus Maronitarum Antiochiae Totiusque Orientis* (Maronite Church, Lebanon)

2018 *Medal of Al-Kut University College* (Al-Kut, Iraq)

2017 *Stephanus Award* (Theological Category; Hungary)

2016 *Medal of 'Pedagogical University'* (Armenian State Pedagogical University, Yerevan, Armenia)

2015 *Medal of Universitas Tyrnaviensis* (Trnava, Slovakia)

2014 *Officer Cross of Order of Merit of the Republic of Poland*

2014 *Middle Cross of the Hungarian Order of Merit*

2013 *Silver Corvina* (Corvinus University, Budapest, Hungary)

2012 *Medal – Patriarchatus Maronitarum Antiochiae Totiusque Orientis* (Maronite Church, Lebanon)

2011 *Medal of the Hungarian Coptic Orthodox Church*

2006 *Pro Faculate Award* (Pázmány Péter Catholic University, Faculty of Law and Political Sciences)

• Editor

- Editor of *Kánonjog* (Hungarian Canon Law Review, international monitored and supervised, Budapest, since 2003);

- Member of the Editorial Board of *Bibliografia Internazionale* in *Rivista Internazionale di Diritto Comune* (Ettore Majorana Foundation and Centre for Scientific Culture – Il cigno Galileo Galilei, Roma-Erice, since 1996);

- Editor of *Folia Theologica et Canonica* (International monitored and supervised periodical, Budapest, since 2012);

- Member of the Advisory Board of *Teológia* (Hungarian Catholic Theological Review, Budapest, since 2009);
- Member of the Editorial Board of *Bibliotheca Historiae Ecclesiasticae Universitatis Catholicae de Petro Pázmány nuncupatae* (Budapest, since 2004);
- Editor of the *Bibliotheca Instituti Postgradualis Iuris Canonici Universitatis Catholicae de Petro Pázmány nominatae* (Budapest, since 2011);
- Section Editor of *Section of Church Law*, in the *Hungarian On-line Encyclopedia of Legal Science* (IJOTEN) [since 2016];
- Member of the Scientific Board of the *Periodica de re canonica* (Rome, Italy, since 2017);
- Member of the Editorial Board of *Al-Kut University College Journal* (Refereed Scientific Journal Published by Center of Research, Studies & Publication Al-Kut University College, Al-Kut, Iraq, since 2018);
- Member of the Editorial Board of *Studia Armenologica Hungarica* (International monitored and supervised periodical, Budapest, since 2019);
- Founder and Co-Editor of the *Studia Historica et Orientalia* (International monitored and supervised annual periodical, Cairo, Egypt, since 2019);
- Co-Editor of *Study of Muslim – Christian Coexistence: Through the Holy Quran and Islamic Heritage* (Refereed Scientific Series, Published by the Al-Kut University College [Al-Kut, Iraq] – Al Nisour University College [Baghdad, Iraq], since 2021);
- Editor of *International Canon Law History Research Center – Magyar nyelvű hírlevél* (basic research reviews, published in Hungarian, two times a year, Budapest, since 2023);
- Editor of *International Canon Law History Research Center – English Newsletter* (basic research reviews, published in English, two times a year, Budapest, since 2024);
- Founder and Editor of the *International Canon Law History Review of Working Papers* (annual periodical of the International Canon Law History Research Center, Budapest, since 2025).

• Conferences

Conferences and colloquia between January 1st 2000 and June 10th 2025 more than 2200

• Others

- Ordained Roman Catholic Priest (since December 17th 2000)
- Solemn Professed Member of the *Norbertine Order* (in St. Michael's Abbey, Csorna, Hungary, since August 15th 2002)
- Official Visitor of the Norbertine Order, since 2006-2012; 2012-2018; 2018-2024; 2024-2030

• Full publication list

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