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WORKSHOP

Tuesday, June 22, 06:30 a.m. UTC:

JEWISH ENVIRONMENTAL ETHICS: AN INTER-RELIGIOUS CONVERSATION FROM AUSTRALIA AND NEW ZEALAND

Fred Morgan, Emmanuel Nathan, Michael Trainor

Australian and New Zealand theologians have been at the forefront of those reconsidering creation in the light of “eco-theology,” which attempts to construe religiosity through an environmental lens. This is still new for Jewish thinking. Statements like the one published by Rabbi Arthur Waskow and others show that Christian writings such as *Laudato Si* can help Jews get into contact with elements in Jewish tradition that can provide a ground or framework for an authentically Jewish environmental ethics. This is the theme we’ll be exploring in this workshop.

Morgan, Fred

Australia, Rabbi Fred Morgan AM, Emeritus Rabbi of Temple Beth Israel in Melbourne, he also served for some years as Professorial Fellow at the Australian Catholic University, and he is an Honorary President of the Council of Christians and Jews (Victoria), in 2014 he was made a Member of the Order of Australia for his services to interfaith relations

Nathan, Emmanuel

Australia, Dr Emmanuel Nathan, senior lecturer in biblical studies and comparative theology at the Faculty of Theology and Philosophy, Australian Catholic University in Sydney, also Director of its newly established Research Centre for Studies of the Second Vatican Council; involved with the Australian Council of Christians and Jews, and the Sydney Roman Catholic Archdiocese Commission for Ecumenical and Inter-Religious Relations; since the beginning of 2020 actively working with Sydney Catholic schools and representatives of the Jewish community to raise awareness on Catholic-Jewish relations and the merits of interreligious learning

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