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Wolfgang Knöbl, Professor of Sociology at the University of Göttingen

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**International
conference**

**December 11-12
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Friday,
December 11, 2009

- 9:30 Address of welcome
Arthur Mettinger,
Vice-Rector of the University of Vienna
Kurt Appel,
Vice-Dean of the Catholic Theological Faculty
Franz Römer,
Dean of the Faculty of Philological and Cultural Studies
- 9:45 Introduction
Hans Schelkshorn; Jameleddine Ben-Abdeljelil
(Conference chairs)
„An Intercultural Discourse on Modernity
– Facts and Prospects”
- 10:00 **Hasan Hanafi (Cairo):**
„Is Modernity in an Intercultural Perspective Possible?”
- 11:00 **Wolfgang Knöbl (Göttingen):**
„Theorizing Culture within the Discourse on Modernity: Problems
and Pitfalls”
- 12:00 *Lunch*
- 14:00 **Moncef Ben Abdeljelil (Tunis/London):**
„Thinking Modernity from within Muslim Cultures”
- 15:00 **Rüdiger Lohlker (Vienna):**
„‘Islam’ as Tool to create European Modernity”
- 16:00 *Break*
- 16:30 **Bolívar Echeverría (Mexico):**
„‘Whiteness’ and Modernity”
- 17:30 **Chantal Mouffe (London):**
„Democracy and Alternative Modernities”
- 18:30 – 19:00 General Debate

Saturday,
December 12, 2009

- 9:30 **Gianni Vattimo (Turin):**
„Postmodernism: a Western Dream?”
- 10:30 *Break*
- 11:00 **Mohammed Mesbahi (Rabat):**
„Modernity as a Common Space for a
Dialogue between Cultures”
- 12:30 *Lunch*
- 14:30 **Enrique Dussel (Mexico):**
„Western Modernity and Decolonial Transmodernity”
- 15:30 **Hans Schelkshorn (Vienna):**
„Modernity as a Process of Dislimitations”
- 16:00 *Break*
- 17:00 – 18:30 Roundtable: Impulses of
Franz-Martin Wimmer (Vienna)
Jameleddine Ben-Abdeljelil (Vienna/Tunis)
David Cortez (Vienna/Quito)