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Collaborative Collection Lucian Blaga University, Sibiu, Romania and the Faculty of Theology and Religion, University of Pretoria

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Dear Prof. Daniel Buda

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With regard to the special request from Professor Daniel Buda, and endorsed by Prof. Andrei Terian, Vice-Rector Lucian Blaga University, Sibiu and Prof. Dr. Jerry Pillay, the Dean of the Faculty of Theology and Religion, University of Pretoria, to accommodate the publication of a special collection of 21 (twenty one) articles in HTS Theological Studies (HTS) during 2021. HTS is an acclaimed Open Access journal with broad coverage that promotes multi-, inter, and transdisciplinary religious aspects of studies in the international theological arena. HTS is a Web of Science ISI, Scopus and Norwegian Scientific Register accredited journal, rated top in Africa and globally the 7<sup>th</sup> highest cited theological scholarly journal.

The Editor-in-Chief of HTS, Professor Andries van Aarde would like to collaborate with the Lucian Blaga University, Sibiu and the Faculty of Theology and Religion of the University of Pretoria towards this goal on the following basis:

1. The Editor in Chief shall create a special collection of 21 articles in HTS for this purpose, and designate Prof. Daniel Buda and Prof. Jerry Pillay a guest special collection-editors to oversee the commissioning, collection and quality assurance of the manuscripts. The title of the Special Collection and the names of the Collection-Editors will be designated in a Note on the first page of the publication of the Article.
2. With regard to the author(s) of the relevant article, the First Page of the Publication of the article in this Special Collection shall designate Lucian Blaga University, Sibiu, Romania as first institutional affiliation and the Faculty of Theology and Religion of the University of Pretoria as the Second institutional affiliation of the relevant author(s). An Affiliation Note shall be published, indicating the author(s)'s research associateship with Dean Prof. Jerry Pillay (UP).
3. All articles shall be submitted through the normal online portal of HTS before May 1<sup>st</sup> 2021, and shall adhere to the normal HTS editorial policies and standards – see [www.hts.org.za](http://www.hts.org.za)
4. The articles in this collection shall undergo the standard independent peer review process of HTS.
5. The maximum length of any manuscript shall be 5,000 words, but not exceeding 7000 words.

6. Lucian Blaga University, Sibiu shall be responsible for the payment of the Article Processing Charges/Page fees of the articles in this collection on the basis of a SINGLE amount of 21 x 600 Euro, that is 12600 Euro, to be paid into the Dean's Development Fund Cost Centre A08545 of the Faculty of Theology and Religion of the University of Pretoria, South Africa
7. Cognisance is taken that the maximum of 600 Euro per article is procured from three different sources: (i) University of Sibiu - in the name of the Center for Theological Research; (ii) University of Sibiu - Center of Ecumenical Research; (iii) and the relevant author's research account.
8. The Dean of the Faculty of Theology and Religion of the University of Pretoria agrees to transfer the South African Rand currency equivalence of 600 Euro per article, total number of articles 21, from the Dean's Development Fund Cost Centre A08545 into the HTS Publications Cost Centre A0U810, University of Pretoria.
9. HTS' publisher, AOSIS, shall invoice HTS Publications Cost Centre A0U810, University of Pretoria for the payment of the Article Processing Charges (APC) of maximum 21 articles approved for publication in the HTS 2021 Special Collection Romania, HTS Volume 77, Issue 4, 2021, calculated against ZAR1497.00 (excl. 15% VAT) per A4 output page in PDF format.
10. The Dean of the Faculty of Theology and Religion of the University of Pretoria agrees to take responsibility for the payment of potential shortfall calculated against ZAR 5000 maximum dean's subsidy per article in this Special Collection
11. If a submitted article among the projected 21 articles does not succeed peer review approval or editor's approval, the paid 600 Euro/ZAR currency equivalent per article will be credited within the UP HTS Publications Cost Centre A0U810 for future article submissions by researchers attached to Lucian Blaga University, Sibiu.
12. If this maximum number of articles in this Special Collection is not reached, any unused paid APC shall be carried forward for the benefit of researchers of Lucian Blaga University, Sibiu to the following year (2022) to submit articles to be published in HTS.
13. This arrangement will remain subject to the 25% capping on the total number of University of Pretoria articles to be published in HTS during 2021, to apply with the criterion of the South African Department of Higher Education and Training, namely that accredited journals shall publish 75% scholarly articles from multiple universities.

I trust that these proposals shall be acceptable to you and Prof Jerry Pillay.

Kind regards

Andries van Aarde

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