Armenian conference dedicated to the 850th death anniversary of St. Nerses the Gracious

University of Latvia, 24th November, Riga

Conference section 1

Opening of the conference with speeches by official persons

Boghos Levon Zekiyan, Archeparch of Istanbul and Turkey for the Catholic Armenians - Saint Nerses Shnorhali as a Unique Figure in Christian Thought And Praxis: Shnorhali's Pioneering Vision of Christian Oecumenism

Claude Mutafian, Dr.hist. (University of Paris) -- Mleh, a Successful Armenian Prince (1169-1175)

Andris Priede, Dr.hist.eccl. (Faculty of Theology, University of Latvia) - Marginal Forms of Armenian Monasticism in 13th Century

Valda Salmina, M.A. - St. Nerses Shnorhali's historical poem "Lament of Edessa"

Conference section 2

Vahan S. Hovhanessian, Bishop PhD (Karekin the First Research Center) - Analysis of the Four Gospels attributed to St. Nerses the Graceful

Abraham Terian, Prof. emeritus (St. Nersess Armenian Seminary) - Shnorhali's Commentary on the Beatitudes

Elizabete Taivāne, Dr.theol. (Faculty of Theology, University of Latvia) -Christology of St. Nerses Shnorhali at the Crossroads of Eastern and Western Theology: The Edifying Details

Conference section 3

Ojārs Spārītis, Dr.habil.art. (Latvian Academy of Arts) - View on Sacral Architecture of Central Armenia

Haig Utidjian, PhD (CESEM, New University of Lisbon) - The music of the Šnorhali Corpus: challenges and rewards

Arusyak Tamrazyan, PhD (Matenadaran, Research Institute of Ancient manuscripts) - Mystical symbolism in melismatic performance: the odes by St Nerses the Gracious