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Symposium in Honor of Hans Köchler

Wednesday, 11 June 2014

5 p.m., New Orleans Hall
University of Innsbruck

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Hans Köchler was born in 1948 in Schwaz. He graduated at the University of Innsbruck in philosophy (Dr. phil.) with highest honors (*sub auspiciis praesidentis rei publicae*). In 1982 he was appointed as University Professor of Philosophy (with special emphasis on Political Philosophy and Philosophical Anthropology). He holds honorary doctor degrees from the Mindanao State University (Philippines) and from the Armenian State Pedagogical University, as well as an Honorary Professorship in Philosophy from Pamukkale University (Turkey). From 1990

until 2008 he served as Chairman of the Department of Philosophy. In 1998 he was Visiting Professor at the University of Malaya (Malaysia) and was elected as Co-President of the *International Academy for Philosophy* in 2010.

Prof. Köchler is the founder and president of the International Progress Organization (I.P.O.), he was the founder and Secretary-General (1973-77) of *Euregio Alpina*, and co-founder of the European Ombudsman Institute. He served and serves in numerous committees and expert groups dealing with international democracy, human rights and dialogue of civilizations.

Through his research and international activities, Prof. Köchler made major contributions to the debate on international democracy and United Nations reform. In 1985, he organized the first major colloquium on „Democracy in International Relations“ on the occasion of the 40th anniversary of the UN in New York. With Irish Nobel Laureate Seán MacBride he initiated the Appeal by Lawyers against Nuclear War. In 2000, UN Secretary-General Kofi Annan appointed him as international observer at the “Lockerbie Trial”.

His publication list contains more than 500 books, reports and articles in several languages. Among his major works are: „*Skepsis und Gesellschaftskritik im Denken Martin Heideggers*“ 1978; „*Philosophie – Recht – Politik*“ 1985; „*Neue Wege der Demokratie*“ 1998; „*Humanitarian Intervention in the Context of Modern Power Politics*“ 2001; „*Global Justice or Global Revenge? International Criminal Law at the Crossroads*“ 2003.

Prof. Köchler is the recipient of numerous honors and awards. In 2003 the *Hans Koechler Political and Philosophical Society* was established in the Philippines. One year later, the *Hans Koechler Center for Civilizational Dialogue* was announced at Mindanao State University.

For further information on the life and oeuvre of Prof. Köchler see
www.hanskoechler.com

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Program

Opening remarks

Prof. Dr. Sabine Schindler, Vice Rector for Research

A student's retrospect and laudation

Mag. Christopher Miess, BSc, Bakk.phil, BSc (Hons) LSE,
Yale University

KEYNOTE LECTURE:

“Taming Leviathan: Towards a Global Ethical Alliance”

Prof. Dr. Fred Dallmayr, Emeritus Packey J. Dee Professor,
Notre Dame University

Reception