

Three »Afterwords«, pp. 229–236.
 Appendices, pp. 237–267.

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Tsetsis, Georges, Οἰκουμενικὸς θρόνος καὶ Οἰκουμένη, Ἐπίσημα Πατριαρχικὰ Κείμενα, Katerini: Tertios 1989, pp. 146. Pictures, Illustrations, Photos.

The great protopresbyter Georges Tsetsis, after serving for almost 20 years (1965–1984) at the secretariate of the World Council of Churches, Geneva, Switzerland, is now the permanent delegate of the Ecumenical Patriarchate at the said headquarters.

Contents, pp. 7–8.

The author in his Introductory Note (pp. 9–10) introduces the reader to the contents of his book. They are catalogued in a chronological order: encyclicals, declarations, patriarchal speeches, and other documents, which were sent from the Ecumenical Patriarchate and related to the birth and the evolution of the wider ecumenical movement. Several of these documents were previously edited by professors Ioannis Karmiris, Vasil T. Istavridis, Antonios Papadopoulos and Constantine Patelos.

Metropolitan Chrysostomos of Myra, Professor of systematic theology in the Theological School of Halki, writes the Prolegomena, pp. 11–21.

Then the patriarchal documents follow (I–IX, 1902–1988), pp. 25–129.

Each document is preceded by short introductory comments and followed by a concise bibliography, including the Greek and other editions of the said documents.

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Menevissoglou, Pavlos (Metrop. of Sweden), Ἱστορικὴ Εἰσαγωγή εἰς τοὺς Κανόνας τῆς Ὁρθοδόξου Ἐκκλησίας, Stockholm: Metropolis of Sweden and all Scandinavia 1990, pp. 653.

The metropolitan of Sweden Paul, Ecumenical Patriarchate, a native of Istanbul, graduated from the Theological School of Halki (1958). He also holds a bachelor's degree in Law from the University of Thessaloniki, and a Th.D. from the same University. His doctoral Dissertation has the title:

Menevissoglou, Paul, *The Holy Chrism in the Eastern Orthodox Church*, Thessaloniki: the Patriarchal Institute for Patristic Studies, 1972.

Parallel to his hierarchical and pastoral duties he is also an accomplished writer of books and articles on Canon Law and relative theological subjects. His writings so far appeared in different periodicals and other collective publications. The present work is a collection of his articles in an orderly way.

In his introduction (pp. 9–11) the author stresses two points; that:

- a) the canons of the Orthodox Church are not numbered in the same way by the different authors, and
- b) there is a lack of an historical introduction to the canons of the Orthodox Church.