PAPERS FROM THE NINTH TRIALOGUE CONFERENCE, 8–10 MARCH 2013

The Trialogue Conference is an interdisciplinary conference aiming to bring together the perspectives of literature, psychotherapy and religion. It was established in 1997 and has been held biennially since then.

A novel is chosen as the basis for each conference and a theme drawn from it is suggested as a focus for discussion. Three speakers are invited, from a literary, a psychotherapeutic and a religious background. Each speaker gives a paper on the selected text from their own particular perspective. The conference occupies a weekend and is built around these three presentations, together with an introductory talk on the Friday evening by the chair of the conference.

Those coming to the conference are expected to have read the book thoroughly beforehand. About ninety people participate, and as well as the plenary presentations there are small group discussions and workshops, and an exhibition related to the novel and conference theme.

The book chosen for the Trialogue Conference of 2013 was *The Last of the Just* by André Schwarz-Bart, and the theme was ‘The Survival of Humanity’.