

# **Ilia Delio, OSF, PhD**

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Sister Ilia Delio, OSF, PhD, works to find a new unity and synthesis in science and religion.

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## **Description**

Science and religion are often thought of as mutually exclusive; however, with areas of expertise grounded in both spheres, Sr. Delio can explain how it is possible to find a new unity and synthesis in science and religion. She can address compelling topics like how technology has changed human consciousness; Spirit as a type of energy; the import of artificial intelligence on life as we know it; and the potential for achieving wholeness of being. Her work seeks to move beyond the dialogue of science and religion toward a mutually-enriched integration of these disciplines for wholeness of being.

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## **Industry Expertise**

Religious Institutions, Research, Education/Learning, Writing and Editing

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## **Topics**

Theology, Neuroscience, Artificial Intelligence and Becoming, Culture and Religion, Catholicity, Evolution and Culture, Integration of Science and Religion

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## **Affiliations**

American Academy of Religion (AAR), American Teilhard Association, Catholic Theological Society of America, The Maryknoll Institute of Theology, Lecturer, Rohr Living School of Theology, Guest Speaker, Orbis Book Series: "Catholicity in an Evolving Universe," General Editor

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## **Education**

**Fordham University**

PhD

**Rutgers University**

PhD

**Fordham University**

MA

**Seton Hall University**

MS

## **Accomplishments**

### **2017 Madeleva Lecturer at St. Mary's College - Notre Dame**

The invited speaker is recognized as a prominent woman theologian in the United States.

### **Honorary Degree, Doctor of Science, St. Francis University**

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### **Catholic Press Book Award 2014**

Conferred for *The Unbearable Wholeness of Being: God, Evolution and the Power of Love*. 3rd place: Faith and Science.

### **Silver Nautilus Book Award, 2014**

Conferred for *The Unbearable Wholeness of Being: God, Evolution and the Power of Love*.

### **Catholic Press Book Award 2012**

Conferred for *The Emergent Christ: exploring the meaning of Catholic in an Evolutionary Universe*. 3rd place: Faith and Science.

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