

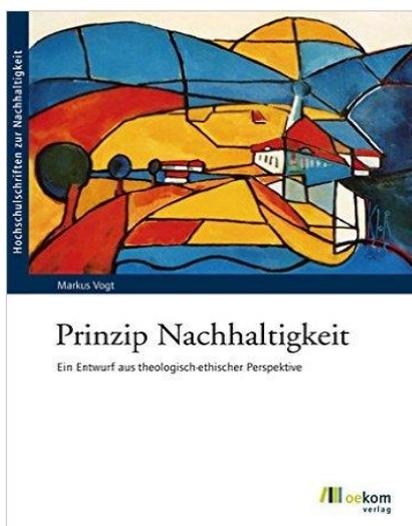
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**Markus Vogt**

**“Prinzip Nachhaltigkeit: Ein Entwurf aus theologisch-ethischer Perspektive”.**

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**Markus Vogt**, holding the chair in Christian Social Ethics at the University of Munich, made himself a name for his essential studies concerning sustainability. In the book on hand the author shows in an impressive manner how Christian social teaching and social ethics must be read and designed nowadays. When looking at modern societies with their problems concerning justice in a global world, development and peace, the integration of market and morals it becomes obvious to the author that all these topics come together in the principle of sustainability. To him it seems to be necessary for the Christian faith to scrutinize the signs of the times and to interpret them in the light of the Gospel. This intention leads him to a very differentiated analysis of the connection between the theology of creation and the ecological dimension of sustainability as well as its socio-economical dimension, and the search of social and global justice. Thus the author is able to show clearly how closely both – sciences and ethics – and the three dimensions – the ecological, the economical and the social – belong together. Against this background the author draws several consequences concerning very concrete items just like climate change, worldwide food for the whole population, and development of the population on the one hand. Furthermore on the other hand he comes to a convincing conclusion related to the concept of sustainability as one of the social principles of Christian ethics. In 2015 a Russian translation of the book has been published.

**Biography.** Markus Vogt was born in 1962 in Freiburg, Germany. He is married and has three children. He studied theology and philosophy in Munchen and Jerusalem. From 1992 to 1995 he worked for the German government as an ecology expert. From 1998 to 2007 he taught social Christian ethics at the Philosophical-Theological University of the Salesian Fathers in Benediktbeuern. Since 2007 he holds the chair in Christian Social Ethics at the University of Munich. Currently he's senior member of the Faculty of Theology at the University of Munich. He is a member of many scientific and ecclesiastic commissions. Among his several publications we quote the last one: *Christliche Umweltethik: Grundlagen und zentrale Herausforderungen*, Freiburg, Herder 2016.