The Problem of Interdisciplinary Nature of Canon Law

Summary

Law as a regulator of the life of the community must follow the life, as the Latin principle states: "ius sequitur vitam". A lawgiver to duly fulfill his function must have full understanding of the world and the circumstances collecting and accumulating knowledge, facts, ideas and inspirations from many different arts and sciences. The openness of law to other disciplines of learning can be called interdisciplinarity. The aim of the paper is to present canon law as an interdisciplinary Church discipline. This goal is achieved by giving examples of a church lawgiver's use of achievements of such disciplines as theology, philosophy, jurisprudence, political science, linguistics, sociology, economy, and technology. The conclusion is that capacity of canon law is an essential condition for a proper operation of law for salvation of souls.