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Paolo Martinelli (ed.). La teologia spirituale oggi: Identità e missione (Teologia spirituale, 26). Bologna, Dehoniane, 2012. (15×21), 149 p. ISBN 978-88-10-54144-9. €14.00.

At the occasion of the fortieth anniversary of the Franciscan Institute for Spirituality (Pontificia Università Antonianum, Rome), a study day was organized on April 4, 2011. The proceedings are published in the present book. After the introduction by Paolo Martinelli, the president of the Institute, Rosanno Zas Friz de Col S.J. (Gregoriana) gives, in a first chapter, a broad overview of the development of spiritual theology since the second Vatican Council. He discusses this evolution both in its bibliographic and its systematic aspects. Next, four professors of the Pontificia Università Antonianum – Frederic Raurell OFMCap, Alvaro Cacciotti OFM, Fernando Uribe OFM and Leonard Lehmann OFMCap - reflect on the history and the mission of this Institute. In a third part of the book, considerations are given by several superiors of the Franciscan family: José Rodriguez Carballo (Minister General of the Franciscans), Mauro Jöhri (Minister General of the Capuchins), Marco Tasca (Minister General of the Conventuals), Michael J. Higgins (Minister General of the Third Order), and Carmen Cimaroli (President of the Movimento Religiose Francescane). The book concludes with an overview of the publications by the Institute and of the doctoral dissertations in spirituality defended at the Antonianum during the period 1970-2011.

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