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## **BENJAMIN TONNA LECTURE 2010**

### **TEILHARD de CHARDIN AND CONTEMPORARY MYSTIC QUEST**

On Friday 12<sup>th</sup> November, 2010, the Institute for Research on the Signs of the Times (DISCERN) is organizing the Benjamin Tonna Lecture 2010 on 'Teilhard de Chardin and Contemporary Mystic Quest'. The guest speaker will be Professor Emerita Ursula King from the Department of Theology and Religious Studies, University of Bristol. This event will be held at the Phoenicia Hotel, Floriana at 7:00 p.m.



Ursula King is Professor Emerita of Theology and Religious Studies, University of Bristol, and a Vice-President of the World Congress of Faiths. Her specific areas of expertise are the life and work of the French Jesuit priest and paleontologist Pierre Teilhard de Chardin and in feminist theology. She has published numerous books and articles on different religious topics including *Christian Mystics: Their Lives and Legacies throughout the Ages* (2001); *Spirit of Fire: The Life and Vision of Teilhard de Chardin* (1998); *Religion and Gender* (1995); and her most recent *The Search for Spirituality: Our Global Quest for a Spiritual Life* (2008). She acted as consultant for the content on gender and religion in the revised edition of the *Encyclopedia of Religion* (2005). Professor King is a renowned speaker and she lectures at conferences and universities around the world.