

IAHR Congress - Scientific Programme

24 August 2025

09:00 - 12:00 | Auditorium Maximum Conference Room

IAHR Outgoing EC Meeting (Su_1_AMCR)

12:00 - 15:00 | Auditorium Maximum Seminar Room

EASR EC Meeting (Su_2_AMSR)

16:00 - 17:30 | Auditorium Maximum Large Hall

Opening Ceremony

17:45 - 18:45 | Auditorium Maximum Large Hall

KEYNOTE LECTURE. Anna Niedźwiedz: Moving, dialoguing, transforming: ethnographic experiences and anthropologies of religion(s) (Su_1_AMLH)

Chair: Anna Niedzwiedz (Jagiellonian University in Kraków), Sławomir Sztajer (Adam Mickiewicz University)

Moving, dialoguing, transforming: ethnographic experiences and anthropologies of religion(s)

Anna Niedźwiedz

19:00 - 21:00 | Auditorium Maximum Level -1

Reception

25 August 2025

09:00 - 10:30 | Auditorium Maximum Conference Room

CLOSED PANEL Mircea Eliade and the Other: Prospective and Retrospective (Mo_1_AMCR)

Chair: Gabriel Badea (The Romanian Academy), Giovanni Casadio (Università degli Studi di Salerno)

CLOSED PANEL Mircea Eliade and the Other: Prospective and Retrospective

Authors: Gabriel Badea, Giovanni Casadio, Wilhelm Danca, Luca Siniscalco, Igor Tavilla, Riccardo Nanini

09:00 - 10:30 | Auditorium Maximum Exhibition Room A

Computing Religion: Computational Approaches, Research Databases, and Quantitative Methodologies in the Study of Religions I (Mo_1_CDGH)

Chair: Ales Chalupa (Masaryk University, Department for the Study of Religions; Center for the Digital Research of Religion)

The Roman Cult of Mithras and publicum portorium Illyricum in the Danubian Provinces: Spatial Proximity Analysis

Authors: Ales Chalupa, Tomas Glomb

The impact of Malaria on the spatial distribution of inscriptions dedicated to Asclepius in the Roman Empire

Authors: Sebastian Kheml, Tomáš Glomb, Aleš Chalupa

The Spread and Adaptations of the Late Antique Cult of Mary: A GIS Approach to its evidence

Authors: Ondřej Homolka

09:00 - 10:30 | Auditorium Maximum Medium Hall A

Approaches in the Study of Religion and Politics I (Mo_1_AMMHA)

Chair: Igor Mikeschin (University of Helsinki)

Apocalyptic Thinking as State Doctrine. Russia's self-(re)invention as a de-secularized world power and guardian of Orthodoxy

Authors: Grigori Khislavski

Pacifist Extremists: The Persecution of Jehovah's Witnesses as a Case Study in Russian Religious Policy

Authors: Igor Mikeshein

Russia's military aggression and non-Orthodox religious organizations

Authors: Tatiana Folieva

Faith in Archives? Orthodox Church Archives in the sphere of Church-State Relations in interwar Estonia

Authors: Albert Ludwig Roine

09:00 - 10:30 | Auditorium Maximum Medium Hall B

Religion, Festivals and Communities: Formation of New Social Identities I (Mo_1_AMMHB)

Chair: Moumita Dhar

Palanquins of the Divine: Herbs, Emotions, and Divine Embodiment in Himalayan Pilgrimages

Authors: Vineet Gairola

Sacred Celebrations and Emerging Identities: Transformations in Indigenous Festivals and Communities in India

Authors: Vibha Agnihotri

From Ritual to Spectacle: The Changing Identity of the Ladakh Festival

Authors: Moumita Dhar

09:00 - 10:30 | Auditorium Maximum Seminar Room

Enactive, extended, embedded, and embodied approaches to religious cognition I: 4E approaches to the experience of death (Mo_1_AMSR)

Chair: John Teehan (Hofstra University)

4E Cognition and grief: Understanding Funerary Endocannibalism in Amazonia

Authors: Paweł Chyc

Existential resilience in early childhood - embodied, embedded, extended and enactive?

Authors: Arniika Kuusisto

Inference and Expectation: Eschatology and its Alternatives

Authors: Trym Sundby

09:00 - 10:30 | Auditorium Maximum Small Hall

Mapping the field: The study of religion(s) worldwide. Institutional settings, theories and methods, communities of 'practices.' I (Mo_1_AMSH)

Chair: Angela Bernardo (Sapienza Università di Roma)

The study of religions in Italy: origins, developments, theories and methods, institutional frameworks

Authors: Angela Bernardo

"Their voices went forth upon the face of the earth": Mapping Coptic Academics and their Communities in the Diaspora

Authors: Mena Basta

Towards the Critical Study of the Interfaith Movement: Making Space for Religious Studies at the Fringes of Interconnected Worlds

Authors: Liam Sutherland

Comparing academic and interfaith comparative religion: A perspective from the postcolonial South

Authors: Johan Strijdom

09:00 - 10:30 | CDWPiA 103

ROUNDTABLE: Creative approaches to religion and knowledge exchange (Mo_1_CD103)

Chair: Precious Chatterje-Doody (The Open University)

Roundtable: Creative approaches to religion and knowledge exchange

Authors: Precious Chatterje-Doody, John Maiden, Stefanie Sinclair, Katelin Teller, Paul-Francois Tremlett

09:00 - 10:30 | CDWPiA 109

God(s) in Poems: Religion and Poetry in South Asia and Eastern Europe (1900–present) (Mo_1_CD109)

Chair: Istvan Keul (University of Bergen)

Of Gods and Women: Isabella Grinevskaya and the Bahá'í faith

Authors: Laurent Mignon

Religious Imagery in Poems of Kányádi and Kolatkar

Authors: Istvan Keul

09:00 - 10:30 | CDWPiA 12

Glocal Dynamics in Paganism: Global Influences and Local Adaptations I (Mo_1_CD12)

Chair: Joseph Sedgwick (University of Edinburgh)

“Real” Mexican Vikings & Witches? Authenticity negotiation in Mexican neopaganism

Authors: Maria Papenfuss

Local Means Authentic? Local and Global in Lithuanian Pagan Discourse and Practice

Authors: Eglė Aleknaitė-Škarubskė

Glocal Paganism in Modern Estonia – The Struggle Over Indigenous Identity

Authors: Tõnno Jonuks

09:00 - 10:30 | CDWPiA 203

CLOSED PANEL: Building 'Religious Institutions'. Religion in the Interplay with Politics, Economics, and Culture. (Mo_1_CD203)

Chair: Baerbel Beinhauer-Koehler (Philipps University Marburg)

CLOSED PANEL Building 'Religious Institutions'. Religion in the Interplay with Politics, Economics, and Culture.

Authors: Bärbel Beinhauer-Köhler, Ramina Rezvan, Ferdinand Liefert

09:00 - 10:30 | CDWPiA 209

CLOSED PANEL: The Entanglement of Rules: Comparative Studies of Monotheistic Societies and Multireligious/Secular Japan (Mo_1_CD209)

Chair: Kenichiro Takao (Middle East Institute of Japan)

CLOSED PANEL The Entanglement of Rules: Comparative Studies of Monotheistic Societies and Multireligious/Secular Japan

Authors: Kenichiro Takao, Emi Goto, Atsushi Koyanagi, Takao Maruyama

09:00 - 10:30 | CDWPiA Assembly Hall A

Religion in the African Diaspora I (Mo_1_CDAHA)

Chair: Danoye Oguntola-Laguda (Lagos State University -IAHR)

Child Fostering and Esoteric Beliefs among the African Diaspora: A Cultural and Religious Exploration

Authors: Claire Princess Ayelotan

Decolonizing the anthropology of witchcraft: Reflections from a Southern African teaching praxis

Authors: Johanneke Kroesbergen-Kamps

Religion and Identity Crisis in Africa Diasporas: A critical Study of Yoruba Muslim Community in Chicago IL

Authors: Danoye Oguntola-Laguda

09:00 - 10:30 | CDWPiA Assembly Hall B

Contemporary monasticism - East and West I (Mo_1_CDAHB)

Chair: Maciej Potz (Uniwersytet Łódzki)

Religious habitus: creating the 'monastic self' in contemporary Catholic religious orders

Authors: Magdalena Bryła

Thai Buddhist Sangha as a Monastic Institution: Challenges and Adaptation

Authors: Amarjiva Lochan

Monasticism in 'exile': Mapping Tibetan Buddhist Monasteries in Western Europe

Authors: Megha Yadav

09:00 - 10:30 | CDWPiA Blue Hall

CLOSED PANEL: Exploring the Intersection of Gender, Faith, and Identity in Contemporary Middle Eastern Contexts (Mo_1_CDBH)

Chair: Fatemeh Moslehzaadeh (Lund University)

CLOSED PANEL: Exploring the Intersection of Gender, Faith, and Identity in Contemporary Middle Eastern Contexts

Authors: Fatemeh Moslehzaadeh, Cailin Kwok, Sepideh Atter Motlagh, Lovisa Schau

09:00 - 10:30 | CfAS Cinema

Film: Matagh. A Sacrifice for Safety and panel discussion: Contesting Christian Animal Sacrifice (Mo_1_Cinema)

Chair: Pierluigi Lanfranchi (Aix-Marseille University)

Film: Matagh. A Sacrifice for Safety and panel discussion: Contesting Christian Animal Sacrifice

Authors: Sara Nalbandyan, Yulia Antonian, Pierluigi Lanfranchi

09:00 - 10:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9 101

Alternative Religiosity in Communist and Post-Communist region: Orientalist Religious Movements and their Features, Manifestations and Transformations I (Mo_1_P9101)

Chair: Rasa Pranskeviciute Amoson (Vilnius University), Kristina Garalyte (Vilnius University), Deimantas Valanciunas (Vilnius University)

Alternative Orientalist Religious Movements in Lithuania: Theoretical and Methodological Perspectives

Authors: Rasa Pranskevičiūtė-Amoson

Mapping the Landscape of Tibetan Spirituality in Lithuania

Authors: Kristina Garalyte

"The Secrets of House No. 37": Representation of the International Society for Krishna Consciousness (ISKCON) in the popular press of post-independence Lithuania

Authors: Deimantas Valanciunas

09:00 - 10:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9 103

Issues in Korean Buddhism (Mo_1_P9103)

Chair: KWANG SUK YOO (Kyung Hee University)

The Impact of Seon Master Daehaeng's teachings in globalization of Modern Buddhism

Authors: HOON PARK

The role of the media for the transmission of Korea Buddhism in Western Society

Authors: Moon Suk Heo

The Korean Yöngsanjae Buddhist Ritual: Exploring Its Ideological Underpinnings and Implications

Authors: Jongmyung KIM

Scholar as a One-mind(Hanmaum) Scientist: Master Daehaeng's view on spirituality, transformation, and interconnectedness

Authors: Sookyung Hwang

09:00 - 10:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9 210

Religion and gender in and out of Europe (Mo_1_P9210)

Chair: Tine Van Overberghe (University of Lausanne)

(The Critical Study of) Traditional Lived Religion and Gender. The case of Lithuanian Catholic and Lutheran women's agency and leadership

Authors: Morta Vidūnaitė

Gender, Sexuality and Motherhood in the Yoruba Indigenous Religion

Authors: Ibukunolu Olodude

Religion, Gender, and Memory in Shaping Post-Colonial Identity in Indonesia

Authors: Myra Mentari Abubakar

Mothers of Knowledge: Devotion and Literary Patronage in the Bhārat Bhāṣā

Authors: Tine Van Overberghe

09:00 - 10:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9 310

CLOSED PANEL: Religion, Food and Drink, the Interconnectedness of Culinary Customs in Europe (Mo_1_P9310)

Chair: Jenny Berglund (Stockholm University), Abraham Kovac (Debrecen Reformed University)

CLOSED PANEL: Religion, Food and Drink, the Interconnectedness of Culinary Customs in Europe

Authors: Jenny Berglund, Abraham Kovac, Marco Pasi, David Thurffjell

09:00 - 10:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9 412

CLOSED PANEL Exploring Religion's Social Ontology (Mo_1_P9412)

Chair: Andrea Rota (University of Oslo)

CLOSED PANEL Exploring Religion's Social Ontology

Authors: Kevin Schilbrack, Lisa Landoe Hedrick, Andrea Rota

09:00 - 10:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9B 105

(Mis)understanding the religious in the Balkans: Problems and prejudices I (Mo_1_P9B105)

Chair: Ewelina Drzewiecka (Institute of Slavic Studies, Polish Academy of Sciences), Magdalena Lubańska (University of Warsaw)

THE BALKAN RUTHENIANS AS A PHENOMENON OF THE (IN) SUBSTANTIALITY OF RELIGION

Authors: Natalya Korol

Eastern Orthodoxy v. Religious Pluralism. (Mis)Uses of the 'Sect-Cult' Media Rhetoric in Bulgaria

Authors: Zornitsa Petrova

Memory images from Sarajevo. Insights from Dževad Karahasan

Authors: Andras Mate Toth

09:00 - 10:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9B 106

CLOSED PANEL: Global entanglements of Eastern Bloc Parapsychology during the Cold War (Mo_1_P9B106)

Chair: Pavel Horak (University of Vienna)

CLOSED PANEL: Global entanglements of Eastern Bloc Parapsychology during the Cold War

Authors: Pavel Horak, Karolina Maria Kotkowska, Anna Ozhiganova, Viktoria Vitanova-Kerber

09:00 - 10:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9B 205

CLOSED PANEL: Bishop Berkeley's Theology, His Attitudes to Freemasonry and Confucianism, and His Post-Anselmian Argument (Mo_1_P9B205)

Chair: Masashi Yamakawa (Jichi Medical University), Takaharu Oda

CLOSED PANEL: Bishop Berkeley's Theology, His Attitudes to Freemasonry, Confucianism, and Mysteries

Authors: Masashi Yamakawa, Takaharu Oda, Shenhao Li

09:00 - 10:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9B 206

Judaism within and beyond social boundaries (Mo_1_P9B206)

Chair: Agi Erdos (University of Jewish Studies)

Women Visiting the Mikveh: Ethnographic viewpoints from four Nordic Cities

Authors: Ruth Illman

To Stand out or Fit in? Swedish-Jewish Women's Dress 1850-1870

Authors: Karin Lind

Kosher Wine as a Social Boundary Marker

Authors: Agi Erdos

09:00 - 10:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9B 303

CLOSED PANEL: Reenactment/Repetition Across Contexts, Fields, Media, and Times I (Mo_1_P9B303)

Chair: Eric Ziolkowski (Lafayette College)

CLOSED PANEL: Reenactment/Repetition Across Contexts, Fields, Media, and Times - Part 1

Authors: Gregory D. Alles, Ülo Valk, Eric Ziolkowski, Yoshitsugu Sawai

09:00 - 10:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9B 306

Postcolonial narratives: Decolonizing for change (Mo_1_P9B306)

Chair: Daphnee Dion-Carrier (Universite Laval)

The coming of "Others" and indigenous faith: Changes and continuity

Authors: Jarken Gadi

Strategies for decolonizing religious menstrual practices: "Kya mujhe ise "chhuna" na ho?

Authors: Daphnee Dion-Carrier

09:00 - 10:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9B 401

Seditio in urbe: Religious Competition and Social Order in the Late Antique Mediterranean I (Mo_1_P9B401)

Chair: Elisa Manzo (Universidad de Cantabria)

Christians Under Judgment: Due Process, Religious Conflict, and Legal Rhetoric in Tertullian

Authors: Alex Corona Encinas

Chasing the ghost of heresy – the case of Priscillian of Ávila

Authors: Bettina Reese

Augustine, Petilianus and late antique discourse of legitimate violence

Authors: Maijastina Kahlos

The Social Meaning of "paganus" in Augustin

Authors: Gianmarco Grantaliano

09:00 - 10:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9B 404

Catholicism in Europe, out of Europe, and out of Itself (Mo_1_P9B404)

Chair: Caterina Pignotti

Sacred narratives in the Western Balkans: the example of the "Gospa" of Medjugorje (Bosnia and Herzegovina)

Authors: Natalie Schwabl, Natalie Schwabl

"Disciples at school, masters at home": native children in East Asian Catholic missions (sixteenth and seventeenth centuries)

Authors: Guilherme Sousa

Background and Significance of Catholic “Culture of Care”: Lourdes Pilgrimage of sick people, L’Arche Community movement, Encyclical Laudato Si’

Authors: Junko Terado

Digital Humanities and Religious Places: Exploring the Hidden Heritage of the Greek Orthodox Church in the Historic Center of Turin

Authors: Caterina Pignotti

10:30 - 11:00 | Auditorium Maximum Level -1

Coffee Break

11:00 - 12:00 | Auditorium Maximum Large Hall

GARY LEASE MEMORIAL KEYNOTE LECTURE. Aaron Hughes: The Boomerang Effect. Judaism and Islam, Made in Europe, Out of Europe, and Back Again (Mo_1_AMLH)

Chair: Aaron Hughes (University of Rochester), Tim Jensen

The Boomerang Effect: Judaism and Islam, Made in Europe, Out of Europe, and Back Again

Aaron Hughes

12:00 - 13:00 | Auditorium Maximum Level -1

Lunch Break

13:00 - 14:30 | Auditorium Maximum Conference Room

CLOSED PANEL: New Trends in the Study of Religion in Former Socialist Europe (Mo_2_AMCR)

Chair: Alessandro Testa (Charles University)

CLOSED PANEL: New Trends in the Study of Religion in Former Socialist Europe

Authors: Alessandro Testa, Riho Altnurme, Sára Eszter Heidl, Agata Rejowska

13:00 - 14:30 | Auditorium Maximum Exhibition Room A

Computing Religion: Computational Approaches, Research Databases, and Quantitative Methodologies in the Study of Religions II (Mo_2_CDGH)

Chair: Ales Chalupa (Masaryk University, Department for the Study of Religions; Center for the Digital Research of Religion)

Computing Semantics in the Greek Pentateuch: An Interdisciplinary Approach

Authors: Laura Bigoni, Giorgia Sampò

Automatising Intertextuality Detection in Cuneiform Literature

Authors: František Válek

Modelling the Dynamics of the Spread of Earliest Christianity: The Search for Suitable Proxies

Authors: Dalibor Papousek

13:00 - 14:30 | Auditorium Maximum Medium Hall A

Approaches in the Study of Religion and Politics II (Mo_2_AMMHA)

Chair: Tuomas Äystö (University of Helsinki)

Manfluencer mana pool: religion as a resource for politically active online male wellness influencers

Authors: Tuomas Äystö

The United States a Christian Nation? Fundamentalist Evangelical Political Engagement under Donald Trump

Authors: Maren Freudenberg

The United Nations Meaning(s) of Religion(s)

Authors: Aurore Schwab

From Coded to Overt: Methodological Approaches to Studying the Institutionalisation of Christian Nationalism in American Political Discourse

Authors: Kristi Boone

13:00 - 14:30 | Auditorium Maximum Medium Hall B

Religion, Festivals and Communities: Formation of New Social Identities II (Mo_2_AMMHB)

Chair: Moumita Dhar

The Boiling Ritual of Matriliney: Pongala In Structuring the Realms of Travancore

Authors: Ferzein M

Festivals as Buddhist Practice: A Case on the Preparation of Yeondeunghoe in a Contemporary Korean Buddhist Temple

Authors: Jinyeong Park

Music Ensembles in Buddhist Ordination of Thailand

Authors: Pasuk Waeosri

13:00 - 14:30 | Auditorium Maximum Seminar Room

CLOSED PANEL: 4E APPROACHES IN THE COGNITIVE SCIENCES OF RELIGION I: RELIGION AND THE ENACTION OF VALUE-FULL REALITIES (Mo_2_AMSR)

Chair: Piotr Szymanek (Jagiellonian University)

CLOSED PANEL: 4E APPROACHES IN THE COGNITIVE SCIENCES OF RELIGION II: RELIGION AND THE ENACTION OF VALUE-FULL REALITIES

Authors: Matylda Ciołkosz, John Teehan, Gabriel Levy, Kevin Schilbrack, Piotr Szymanek

13:00 - 14:30 | Auditorium Maximum Small Hall

Methods for the Study of Religious Spaces and Their Transformations in Historical Contexts Outside Europe I (Mo_2_AMSH)

Chair: Yasmin Koppen (University Leipzig), Yee Lak Elliot Lee (Leipzig University)

Mapping Sacred Contestation: A Methodological Approach to Analyzing Architectural Interventions in Korean Religious Heritage Sites

Authors: Hwasun Choe

Experiential Architecture Analysis: Rethinking Religious Space in Chinese and Vietnamese Contexts

Authors: Yasmin Koppen

Creating Islamic Religious Spatiality in an Indian Ocean Milieu: The Monumental Arabic Inscriptions of Ujumbé Palace (Comoros)

Authors: Juan Campo

13:00 - 14:30 | CDWPiA 103

Studying Religion(s), Motherhood and Mothering in Interconnected Worlds I (Mo_2_CD103)

Chair: Joanna Krotofil (Jagiellonian University)

Representations of non-normative motherhood in high medieval Christianity and Judaism

Authors: Andras Kiss

The Mother of Demons and the Mother of (Modern) Women: Lilith's Motherhood in the Jewish Heritage

Authors: Miriam Padovani

The Womb within the Womb: Refashioning Motherhood between Theology, Psychology & Natural History in Early Modern Spain

Authors: Patricia Gwozdz

13:00 - 14:30 | CDWPiA 109

Strategies for Decolonizing the Study of South Asian Religions (Mo_2_CD109)

Chair: Paolo Rosati

Beyond Difference: Mainstreaming Otherness, De-normalizing Euro-centrism in the Study of Hinduism

Authors: Arpita Mitra

Decolonizing and demystifying the Western concept of sexuality in Tantra: The yoni cult of Kāmākhya, a case study

Authors: Paolo Eugenio Rosati

Sacred Identities and Appropriation in Indian Classical Dance: A Critical Reexamination of Modern Narratives.

Authors: Vlad-Anton Stefanova

13:00 - 14:30 | CDWPiA 12

Glocal Dynamics in Paganism: Global Influences and Local Adaptations II (Mo_2_CD12)

Chair: Joseph Sedgwick (University of Edinburgh)

The Potential for Comparative Research on Modern Paganism in Baltic Countries and Japanese Shintoism

Authors: Masahide Goto

Between Creation and Appropriation: An Invented Witchcraft Rooted in Prehistoric and Indigenous Culture in Japan

Authors: Eriko Kawanishi

Ethnicity in American Hellenic Polytheism (Hellenismos)

Authors: Stian Torjussen

Why Perún and Not Jesus Preliminary Findings of a Qualitative Study on Paths to Modern Paganism in Slovakia

Authors: Michal Puchovsky

13:00 - 14:30 | CDWPiA 203

CLOSED PANEL: Democracy, Disinformation and Religion (Mo_2_CD203)

Chair: Paul Francois Tremlett (The Open University)

CLOSED PANEL Democracy, Disinformation and Religion

Authors: Precious Chatterje-Doody, Victoria Hudson, Joseph Powell, Paul Francois Tremlett

13:00 - 14:30 | CDWPiA 209

CLOSED PANEL: Rethinking the Concept of “Religion”: From the Perspective of “seken” (“the World”) and “Freedom” in Modern Japan (Mo_2_CD209)

Chair: Michael Pye (University of Marburg)

CLOSED PANEL: Rethinking the Concept of “Religion”: From the Perspective of “seken” (“the World”) and “Freedom” in Modern Japan

Authors: Yotaro Miyamoto, Tadayoshi Furuso, Yoshiyuki Inoue, Masayo Suemura, Yotaro Miyamoto, Michael Pye

13:00 - 14:30 | CDWPiA Assembly Hall A

Religion in the African Diaspora II (Mo_2_CDAHA)

Chair: Nduka Udeagha (University of Leeds)

Neither Here nor There? Re-assessing the Positionality of Diasporan African Scholars of African Religions

Authors: Abel Ugba

The Impact of Japa Syndrome on Religious Behaviour Among Nigerian Immigrants in West Yorkshire

Authors: Nduka Udeagha

13:00 - 14:30 | CDWPiA Assembly Hall B

Contemporary monasticism - East and West II (Mo_2_CDAHb)

Chair: Maciej Potz (Uniwersytet Łódzki)

Cultural Differences in the Perception of Obedience: a Case Study of a Catholic Indian Religious Community in Poland

Authors: Angelika Małek

Transnational Monastery Networks in Contemporary Eastern Orthodox Christianity

Authors: Ksenia Medvedeva

The Forest Monks of Slovenia. Doing field work on a supposed revival of a Buddhist monastic ideal in Europe.

Authors: Aaron Maria Vowinkel

13:00 - 14:30 | CDWPiA Blue Hall

CLOSED PANEL: Religion, politics, and aesthetics: the employment of non-European traditions for radical critique and emancipation (Mo_2_CDBH)

Chair: Daniel Cyranka (Martin Luther University Halle-Wittenberg)

CLOSED PANEL Religion, politics, and aesthetics: the employment of non-European traditions for radical critique and emancipation

Authors: Daniel Cyranka, Felix Janina Gräsche, Mikheil Kakabadze, Konstantin Aron Moser

13:00 - 14:30 | CfAS Cinema

ROUNDTABLE: Death and Mourning Far from Home: Cultural Networks in Religion, Film and Media (Mo_2_Cinema)

Chair: Anna Katharina Hoepflinger (Ludwig-Maximilians-University)

ROUNDTABLE: Death and Mourning Far from Home: Cultural Networks in Religion, Film and Media

Authors: Anna Katharina Hoepflinger, Philippe Bornet, Sofia Sjö, Teemu Taira

13:00 - 14:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9 101

Alternative Religiosity in Communist and Post-Communist region: Orientalist Religious Movements and their Features, Manifestations and Transformations II (Mo_2_P9101)

Chair: Rasa Pranskeviciute Amoson (Vilnius University), Kristina Garalyte (Vilnius University), Deimantas Valanciunas (Vilnius University)

Psychedelia and Spiritual Practices: Altered States of Consciousness Through Ritual in the Baltics and Eastern Europe

Authors: Linas Tavaras

Transformation of attitudes towards war in Vaishnava communities of post-Soviet Ukraine and Russia

Authors: Ruslan Khalikov

13:00 - 16:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9 103

PhD Workshop: Publishing with NVMEN – Guidelines & Insights (Mo_2_P9103)

Chair: Nickolas Roubekas (Aristotle University of Thessaloniki)

PhD Workshop: Publishing with NVMEN – Guidelines & Insights

Authors: Nickolas Roubekas, Ulo Valk, Jenny Butler, Laura Feldt, Esther Eidinow, Rosalind I Hackett, Nickolas Roubekas, Ulo Valk, Jenny Butler, Laura Feldt, Esther Eidinow, Rosalind I Hackett

13:00 - 16:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9 210

PhD Workshop on Conceptualization of Indian Religions in the European Scholarship (Mo_2_P9210)

Chair: Martin Fárek (Technical University of Liberec)

Ph.D. Student Workshop on Conceptualization of Indian Religions in the European Scholarship

Authors: Martin Fárek, Marianna Ferrara, Antonia Navarro Tejero

13:00 - 16:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9 310

PhD workshop: research data management in the study of religion(s) (Mo_2_P9310)

Chair: Mareike Heinritz (Tübingen University Library)

PhD student workshop: research data management in the study of religion(s)

Authors: Mareike Heinritz, Nikolas Magin

13:00 - 16:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9 412

PhD workshop: Theory and Theorizing in PhD Research (Mo_2_P9412)

Chair: Markus Davidsen (Leiden University)

PhD workshop: Theory and Theorizing in PhD Research

Authors: Mattias Brand, Markus A. Davidsen, Indrek Peedu

13:00 - 14:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9B 105

(Mis)understanding the religious in the Balkans: Problems and prejudices II (Mo_2_P9B105)

Chair: Ewelina Drzewiecka (Institute of Slavic Studies, Polish Academy of Sciences), Magdalena Lubańska (University of Warsaw)

Religious return and individualization in present-day Romania. The 2024 presidential elections and their significance for the study of contemporary religious dynamics

Authors: Alina Patru

Constraints of Anthropological Theory of Religion and its Reevaluations. Reflections from the Fieldwork in Bulgaria

Authors: Magdalena Lubańska

13:00 - 14:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9B 205

CLOSED PANEL Religion(s) out of Europe: Texts, Objects, Places, People and Rituals from Late Antiquity to Modern Times (Mo_2_P9B205)

Chair: LAURA CARNEVALE (University of Bari Aldo Moro)

CLOSED PANEL Religion(s) out of Europe: Texts, Objects, Places, People and Rituals from Late Antiquity to Modern Times

Authors: Laura Carnevale, Edmondo Lupieri, Gerhard Van Den Heever, Fabio Caruso

13:00 - 14:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9B 206

CLOSED PANEL: Muslim Levity: Humor and Laughter in Islamic Traditions (Mo_2_P9B206)

Chair: Iman Hamam (Independent Scholar)

CLOSED PANEL: Muslim Levity: Humor and Laughter in Islamic Traditions

Authors: Walid Ghali, Hager El Hadidi, Iman Hamam

13:00 - 14:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9B 303

CLOSED PANEL: Reenactment/Repetition Across Contexts, Fields, Media, and Times II (Mo_2_P9B303)

Chair: Gregory Alles

CLOSED PANEL: Reenactment/Repetition Across Contexts, Fields, Media, and Times - Part 2

Authors: Eric Ziolkowski, Zsolt György , Maharshi Vyas, Gregory D. Alles

13:00 - 14:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9B 306

Postcolonial narratives: Rethinking grand concepts (Mo_2_P9B306)

Chair: Naomi R Goldenberg (University of Ottawa)

The Emergence of Free-standing Obelisk-shaped Tombstones in 18th-Century British India: Rethinking Orientalism through the Global History of Funeral Expression

Authors: Kana Tomizawa

In Search of the 'God Almighty' in the 1884-85 Berlin Conference on West Africa after 140 Years

Authors: Benson Ohion Igboin

How 'Religion' Promotes "Intimate" Violence Globally

Authors: Naomi R Goldenberg

13:00 - 14:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9B 401

Seditio in urbe: Religious Competition and Social Order in the Late Antique Mediterranean II (Mo_2_P9B401)

Chair: Luca Arcari (University of Naples Federico II)

Gregory of Nazianzus and Religious Violence in Late Antique Cappadocia

Authors: Domenico Accorinti

"The city has offered you its gods as allies": Julian and the gods of Antioch in Libanius' Oration 15

Authors: Gianmarco Chiari

Manichaeism and Social Unrest in Late Antiquity

Authors: Guillermo Menendez Sanchez

A CLERICAL REFUGEE DURING THE ACACIAN SCHISM: BISHOP JOHN TALAIA: BETWEEN ALEXANDRIA, ROME AND CONSTANTINOPLE

Authors: Margarita Vallejo-Girves

13:00 - 14:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9B 404

Transcultural influences on religion in Japan (Mo_2_P9B404)

Chair: YU ITO (University of Tokyo)

The Role of Mosques and Islamic Cultural Centers in Shaping Community Dynamics in Japan

Authors: Rami DERBEL, Rei Sueyoshi, Majdi Faleh

Christianity's Hidden Influence on the early modern Shinto thought : A Study of Hirata Atsutane's Cosmology

Authors: Naomi Fujiwawa

Japanese Prestidigitators vs Taiwanese Ritual Practice: Who and What Distinguish Wonder Magic or Foolish Superstition?

Authors: YU ITO

14:30 - 15:00 | Auditorium Maximum Level -1

Coffee Break

15:00 - 16:30 | Auditorium Maximum Conference Room

CLOSED PANEL: Challenging Religion as Cultural Formation A Debate on Perspectives, Methods and Theories for the Contemporary Study of Religion (Mo_3_AMCR)

Chair: Daria Pezzoli-Olgati (University of Munich LMU)

CLOSED PANEL: Challenging Religion as Cultural Formation A Debate on Perspectives, Methods and Theories for the Contemporary Study of Religion

Authors: Daria Pezzoli-Olgati, Jörg Rüpke, Verena Marie Eberhardt, Katja Rakow, Benedikt Bauer

15:00 - 16:30 | Auditorium Maximum Exhibition Room A

Computing Religion: Computational Approaches, Research Databases, and Quantitative Methodologies in the Study of Religions III (Mo_3_CDGH)

Chair: Tereza Mensikova (Masaryk University)

Medieval Christian nonconformism and gender: Analysing data on the actions of men and women from a corpus of inquisition registers

Authors: David Zbiral, Gideon Kotzé, Robert L. J. Shaw

Computational mapping of collective social categories in medieval inquisitorial registers: between discursive and structural analysis of religious dissidence

Authors: Tomas Hampejs, David Zbiral

Computing unity and diversity in the accounts of the Cathar initiation ritual

Authors: Katalin Suba, David Zbiral, Tomáš Hampejs

Jews under Inquisition: A Database of sources on European Jews in Renaissance and Baroque in Roman Holy Office.

Authors: Benedetto Ligorio

15:00 - 16:30 | Auditorium Maximum Medium Hall A

Approaches in the Study of Religion and Politics III (Mo_3_AMMHA)

Chair: Tuomas Äystö (University of Helsinki)

Hegemony theory and religious studies

Authors: Philine Lewek

The Relation of Religion and Politics as the Consequence of a Religious 'Grammar'

Authors: Helmut Zander

Public Policy, law and religious freedom: How the category of "religion" undermines equality

Authors: Peggy Schmeiser

15:00 - 16:30 | Auditorium Maximum Medium Hall B

Religion, Festivals and Communities: Formation of New Social Identities III (Mo_3_AMMHB)

Chair: Moumita Dhar

Celebrations of Religious Holidays in Deportation: Kasimir Gendel's Autobiographical Prose

Authors: Oksana Kovzele, Ilze Kačāne

Celebrations of Christian Holidays in the Testimonies of Latvian Deportees

Authors: Ilze Kačāne, Oksana Kovzele

Contested celebrations in Orthodox Border Karelia in the era of Finnish nationalism

Authors: Sofia Silfvast

15:00 - 16:30 | Auditorium Maximum Seminar Room

Enactive Approaches to Ancient Religious Texts (Mo_3_AMSR)

Chair: Armin Geertz (Aarhus University)

Enactivity in 1 Maccabees - Emotional Appeal and the Aesthetics of Zeal

Authors: Laura Feldt

How beneficial would an enactive approach be to early Christian monastic literature?

Authors: Roberto Alciati

"Encountering the 'Other' in an Apocalyptic Narrative World"

Authors: Angela Kim Harkins

15:00 - 16:30 | Auditorium Maximum Small Hall

Methods for the Study of Religious Spaces and Their Transformations in Historical Contexts Outside Europe II (Mo_3_AMSH)

Chair: Yasmin Koppen (University Leipzig), Yee Lak Elliot Lee (Leipzig University)

Mapping Islam on Chinese Territory: Early Twentieth-Century Reformism in the Pearl River Delta, China

Authors: Yee Lak Elliot Lee

Reconfiguring Religious spaces: The Transformation of Bonbibí Veneration in the Sundarban Delta

Authors: Ankana Das

Quarrelsome Gods: Diverging Trajectories of Territorial Deities in the Indian Himalayas

Authors: Brian Pennington

15:00 - 16:30 | CDWPiA 103

Studying Religion(s), Motherhood and Mothering in Interconnected Worlds II (Mo_3_CD103)

Chair: Florence Pasche Guignard (Université Laval)

"A Calling": Doula's and their lived practice of birth attendance

Authors: Jill Marxer

Medicalisation of birth, religion and spirituality - the embodied maternal subjectivity in the experiences of mothers in Poland

Authors: Joanna Krotofil, Jolanta Florczyk

Mothering as a challenge. Negotiating religious and social constructions of motherhood by Roman Catholic women in Poland.

Authors: Anna Szwed

15:00 - 16:30 | CDWPiA 109

Bengal, believes and bridges: Cultures and connections of communities since ancient to present time (Mo_3_CD109)

Chair: Ahmed Khan (University of Liberal Arts Bangladesh)

Hydraulic society in a hydraulic landscape -a unique case study of a symbiotic and sustainable human niche construction in ancient Bengal.

Authors: Farhana Nazneen, Mohammad Niamul Huda, Ahmed Khan

Buddhism under Transition: From Pala Patronage to Resistance Movements in Early Medieval Bengal

Authors: Sabikun Naher, Mukant Bishwas

Folk and Narrative literature of ancient Bengal including its implications in archaeological research.

Authors: Sharminur Nahar

Rawlsian notion of Original Position: A critical analysis from Bangladesh's July Uprising

Authors: Tanjin Afrose

15:00 - 16:30 | CDWPiA 12

Glocal Dynamics in Paganism: Global Influences and Local Adaptations III (Mo_3_CD12)

Chair: Maria Papenfuss (University of Bayreuth)

The Concept of Chakras in British Traditional Wicca and Contemporary Witchcraft

Authors: Joanna Malita-Król

The Slavic Calendar as Constructed in Slavic Native Faith: the Polish Case

Authors: Scott Simpson

One Hundred Years of the Dievturi Movement in Latvia

Authors: Agita Misāne

Meeting the Devil at the Absinthe House: The establishment and development of Quimbanda in New Orleans

Authors: Fredrik Gregorius

15:00 - 16:30 | CDWPiA 203

Religion in the Anthropocene (Mo_3_CD203)

Chair: Milan Fujda (Masaryk University)

Ritual accessibility after Covid19 in Finland

Authors: Linda Annunen

Nature Love, Religious Plurality, and Socio-Ecological Resilience in Sweden

Authors: Henrik Ohlsson

Politics, ontology, and uncertainty in the Anthropocene: Insights from Covid vaccination controversies

Authors: Milan Fujda

15:00 - 16:30 | CDWPiA 209

CLOSED PANEL: Calendar and Religion in the Japanese Religious Tradition □ Buddhism, Shintoism, and Onmyōdō. (Mo_3_CD209)

Chair: Masahiko Okada (Tenri University)

CLOSED PANEL: Calendar and Religion in the Japanese Religious Tradition □ Buddhism, Shintoism, and Onmyōdō.

Authors: Masahiko Okada, Ikuyo Shimomura, Makoto Hayashi

15:00 - 16:30 | CDWPiA Assembly Hall A

ROUNDTABLE Studying Religion from Africa: Africa-Centred Approaches and Contributions to the Study of Religion (Mo_3_CDAHA)

Chair: Katharina Wilkens (University of Tübingen)

ROUNDTABLE Studying Religion from Africa: Africa-Centred Approaches and Contributions to the Study of Religion

Authors: Anne Beutter, Adriaan Van Klinken, Katharina Wilkens, Nathan Elawa, Benjamin Kirby, Stephen Kapinde, Yvonne Takawira-Matwaya, Abel Ugba

15:00 - 16:30 | CDWPiA Assembly Hall B

Religious plurality in Sweden (Mo_3_CDAHb)

Chair: Simon Sorgenfrei (Södertörn University)

Hierarchy, democracy and migration: The emergence of a Syriac Orthodox church in Sweden

Authors: Henrik Johnsen

Beyond the Binaries: Studying Religion from the Perspective of LGBTQIA+ Jews, Christians and Muslims in Sweden

Authors: Elin Lundell

The early institutionalization of State–Islam relations in Sweden.

Authors: Simon Sorgenfrei

15:00 - 16:30 | CDWPiA Blue Hall

CLOSED PANEL: Emic Wisdom Through Academic Lenses: Collective Intelligence in Talmudic and Musical Traditions (Mo_3_CDBH)

Chair: Anthony Feneuil (Université de Lorraine)

CLOSED PANEL: Emic Wisdom Through Academic Lenses: Collective Intelligence in Talmudic and Musical Traditions

Authors: Noemie Issan-Benchimol, Raphael Ezratty-Benamouzig, Anthony Feneuil, Zack Youcha

15:00 - 16:30 | CfAS Cinema

FILM: Managers of Luck (Mo_3_Cinema)

Chair: Audrius Beinorius (Institute of Asian and transcultural Studies, Vilnius University)

FILM: Managers of Luck

Authors: Audrius Beinorius, Eglė Vertelytė

15:00 - 16:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9 101

ROUNDTABLE: SECURITY STRATEGIES IN THE RELIGIOUS SPHERE IN AND OUT OF EUROPE: GLOBAL AND LOCAL LEVEL (Mo_3_P9101)

Chair: Liudmyla Fylypovych (Philosophy Institute of NASU)

ROUNDTABLE: SECURITY STRATEGIES IN THE RELIGIOUS SPHERE IN AND OUT OF EUROPE: GLOBAL AND LOCAL LEVEL

Authors: Liudmyla Fylypovych, Willy Fautre, Massimo Introvigne, Cyril Hovorun, Yaroslav Yuvsechko, Ruslan Khalikov

15:00 - 16:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9B 105

(Mis)understanding the religious in the Balkans: Problems and prejudices III (Mo_3_P9B105)

Chair: Ewelina Drzewiecka (Institute of Slavic Studies, Polish Academy of Sciences), Magdalena Lubańska (University of Warsaw)

Reconsidering the Category of 'Religious Minorities' in Southeast Europe: Political and Epistemological Challenges

Authors: Evelyn Reuter

Is Everything Religious? Transformations of Religiosity in The Case of the Cult of Non-Canonical Saints in Contemporary Bulgaria.

Authors: Aleksandra Michalska

Cryptotheological prejudices within literary studies. The case of Bulgarian notion(s) of the religious

Authors: Ewelina Drzewiecka

15:00 - 16:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9B 106

CLOSED PANEL Buddhism in Europe. Mapping the Field (Mo_3_P9B106)

Chair: Martin Baumann (University of Lucerne), Knut A. Jacobsen (University of Bergen)

CLOSED PANEL Buddhism in Europe. Mapping the Field

Authors: Martin Baumann, Almut-Barbara Renger, Knut A. Jacobsen

15:00 - 16:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9B 205

CLOSED PANEL: Church, nation and memory politics in a polarized Europe (Mo_3_P9B205)

Chair: Eivor Oftestad (University of Inland Norway)

CLOSED PANEL: Church, nation and memory politics in a polarized Europe

Authors: Eivor Oftestad, Vebjørn L. L. Horsfjord, Michał Janocha, Sven Thore Kloster, Eivor Oftestad, Vebjørn L. L. Horsfjord, Michał Janocha, Sven Thore Kloster

15:00 - 16:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9B 206

The process of the concept of religion in the Arab region (Mo_3_P9B206)

Chair: Reyhan Erdogan Basaran (Ankara Haci Bayram Veli University)

Religion as a Tool for Governance: (De)legitimation of Religion Among Metal Musicians and Fans in Iran and Saudi Arabia

Authors: Pasqualina Eckerstrom

New possibilities for technology-driven interpretation of Islam: Utilization of humanoid robots and realization of mystical miracle stories

Authors: Yuri Ishida

The Nusayrī Belief under the Al-Assad Regime

Authors: Reyhan Erdogan Basaran

15:00 - 16:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9B 303

ROUNDTABLE: Green, Spiritual and Politically Aware: on (Eco)Spiritualities, Ideologies and Radical Political Activities (Mo_3_P9B303)

Chair: Rasa Pranskeviciute-Amoson (Vilnius University), Katri Ratia (University of Fribourg)

ROUNDTABLE: Green, Spiritual and Politically Aware: on (Eco)Spiritualities, Ideologies and Radical Political activities

Authors: László Koppány Csáji, Dagfinn Tveisme, Kerem Görkem Arslan, Rasa Pranskeviciute-Amoson, Kaarina Aitamurto, Katri Ratia

15:00 - 16:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9B 306

Postcolonial narratives: Rethinking marginality (Mo_3_P9B306)

Chair: Amaechi Okafor (Concordia University)

Understanding Decolonial Approaches to Research Marginalised British Sikh Communities

Authors: Vishal Sangu

Remaining Lakota: Tradition and Ceremony in the Contemporary World

Authors: Fredrik Jansson

Black Hebrew Israelites and the use of Black "Marginality"

Authors: Michael Miller

15:00 - 16:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9B 401

Seditio in urbe: Religious Competition and Social Order in the Late Antique Mediterranean III (Mo_3_P9B401)

Chair: Maijastina Kahlos (University of Lisbon)

Conflicts in the city: the social-religious dimension of some urban riots under Theodosian Empire

Authors: Luca Arcari

Religious competitiveness in Philae (4th - 6th centuries): the disappearance of the Egyptian priestly castes and the imposition of Christianity

Authors: Antoni Nieva

Violence against the Jews in Italy according to the Testimony of Gregory the Great

Authors: Pere Maymó Capdevila

15:00 - 16:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9B 404

The religious and the feminine in East Asia (Mo_3_P9B404)

Chair: Koure Makita (Keio University)

Female Avalokiteśvara Faith in Korea and the Identity of Korean Buddhism

Authors: An Hyung-Jin

The Case of a Female Founder: An Examination on the Faith of Tenrikyo Followers Who Refer to Their Foundress as “Oyasama (Parent)”

Authors: Midori Horiuchi

How women priests face discrepancies with public perceptions: A case of Shinto in contemporary Japan

Authors: Koure Makita

16:45 - 18:15 | Auditorium Maximum Conference Room

Norwegian Association for the History of Religions (NAHR) (Mo_4_AMCR)

16:45 - 18:15 | Auditorium Maximum Medium Hall A

“How Global is Global?” – an authors’ roundtable on approaches to The Study of Religion in a Global Context (IAHR Book Series) (Mo_4_AMMHA)

Chair: Alexandra Grieser (Trinity College Dublin)

“How Global is Global?” – an authors’ roundtable on approaches to The Study of Religion in a Global Context (IAHR Series)

Authors: Alexandra Grieser, Denzil Chetty, Kim Knibbe, Peter Nynäs, Ruth Illman, Henriette Hanky

16:45 - 18:15 | Auditorium Maximum Seminar Room

Italian Society for the History of Religions (ISHR) (Mo_4_AMSR)

18:15 - 20:00 | Auditorium Maximum Large Hall

Women Scholars Network Meeting (Mo_2_AMLH)

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09:00 - 10:30 | Auditorium Maximum Conference Room

CLOSED PANEL: Commonalities of religious communities: Practical Perspectives on an Unchallenged Concept in the Study of Religion (Tu_1_AMCR)

Chair: Christoph Novak (University of Vienna)

CLOSED PANEL: Commonalities of religious communities: Practical Perspectives on an Unchallenged Concept in the Study of Religion

Authors: Christoph Novak, Astrid Mattes, Katharina Limacher

09:00 - 10:30 | Auditorium Maximum Exhibition Room A

Computing Religion: Computational Approaches, Research Databases, and Quantitative Methodologies in the Study of Religions IV (Tu_1_CDGH)

Chair: David Zbiral (Masaryk University)

Yoga practice as religion: Mixed-methods investigation into types of faith and religiosity in modern yoga in Finland.

Authors: Janne Kontala

The Pillowside Proselyte: A Register Study of the Relationship between Religious Conversions, Religious Endogamy, and Gender in Finnish Marriages

Authors: Linus Andersson, Martin Kolk, Jan Saarela

From Topics to Collective Action Framings: Ambedkarite Buddhism and Anti-Caste Digital Mobilization

Authors: Tereza Mensikova

New Faces of Escapism: Spiritual Bypassing in a Cross-Cultural Context – comparison of Poland and Vietnam

Authors: Klaudia Teresa Bochniarz, Joanna Różycka-Tran

09:00 - 10:30 | Auditorium Maximum Medium Hall A

Approaches in the Study of Religion and Politics IV (Tu_1_AMMHA)

Chair: Milda Alisauskiene (Vytautas Magnus University)

The Secular Moderation and Regulation of Religion: The Breadth of Legal Precedent Relating to Religion in a Seemingly Secular Australia

Authors: Marley Krok

Political Science of Religion in Poland. Religious and Political Science Perspectives

Authors: Maria Marczevska-Rytko

Yet Not 'Traditional'? The Discourse of 'State Recognition' of Religious Organizations in the Lithuanian Parliament

Authors: Milda Ališauskienė

09:00 - 10:30 | Auditorium Maximum Medium Hall B

Religion, Festivals and Communities: Formation of New Social Identities IV (Tu_1_AMMHB)

Chair: Moumita Dhar

Durgāpujā : A Journey from Sacred Ethos to Intangible Cultural Heritage

Authors: PRIYANKA MONDAL

Hybrid spaces of faith: Hindu temples in Germany as places of religious and social identity formation

Authors: Isabel Jakob

Materiality of pirith/paritta in Sri Lanka: Making intangible chanting tangible in the era of Digital Technology

Authors: Asoka De Zoyasa

09:00 - 10:30 | Auditorium Maximum Seminar Room

Cognitive and evolutionary approaches to the origins, mechanisms, and functions of religion I (Tu_1_AMSR)

Chair: Vladimír Bahna (Institute of Ethnology and Social Anthropology, Slovak Academy of Sciences)

From Sensory Cues to Divine Purpose: Teleological Reasoning in Religious Belief

Authors: Paweł Łowicki, Julia Tokarz

God helmet experiment reconsidered: Uncertainty, cultural learning, and the feeling of presence

Authors: Jana Nenadalová

Ritualization and striatal dopamine. When action-execution is more than action-outcome.

Authors: Vladimír Bahna

09:00 - 10:30 | Auditorium Maximum Small Hall

Mapping the field: The study of religion(s) worldwide. Institutional settings, theories and methods, communities of 'practices.' II (Tu_1_AMSH)

Chair: Angela Bernardo (Sapienza Università di Roma)

(Re)composed sacred corpse: studying religion in the martyrs' museums in Iran and Poland

Authors: Marcin Rzepka

Narratives of Conversion to Islam: Approaches to Content Analysis

Authors: Alena Nikiticheva

Religion and society: transforming religious studies curriculum through collaborative design

Authors: Eda Starova Tahir, Kate Soules

Connecting scholars: RelBib as an open infrastructure for the global community of the study of religion(s)

Authors: Mareike Heinritz, Nikolas Magin

09:00 - 10:30 | CDWPiA 103

Studying Religion(s), Motherhood and Mothering in Interconnected Worlds III (Tu_1_CD103)

Chair: Florence Pasche Guignard (Universite Laval)

From Chaste Virgin to Alluring Mother: The Changing Image of the Madonna in Europe and the New World

Authors: Patrizia Granziera

Compassion Narratives: Mary Mother of Perpetual Help and Guanyin Merciful Mother

Authors: Maria Purino

"As I learned from my mother, my daughters learned from me" Intergenerational transmission of the cult of Virgin of Guadalupe in Guadalajara

Authors: Taja Fortuna

Clay Figurines of Women with Children in Ancient Italy and Greece: A Comparative Study

Authors: Giulia Pedrucci

09:00 - 10:30 | CDWPiA 109

ROUNDTABLE Recentring Fear in the Study of Religion: Theorising from Asia (Tu_1_CD109)

Chair: Erica Baffelli (The University of Manchester)

ROUNDTABLE Recentring Fear in the Study of Religion: Theorising from Asia

Authors: Erica Baffelli, Jane Caple, Kathinka Froystad, Arkotong Longkumer, Aike Rots, David Stroup

09:00 - 10:30 | CDWPiA 12

Glocal Dynamics in Paganism: Global Influences and Local Adaptations IV (Tu_1_CD12)

Chair: Maria Papenfuss (University of Bayreuth)

"The Gods Have Returned to Erin": Irish Paganism, the Celtic Twilight, and Eastern Religiosity

Authors: Jenny Butler

Contemporary Paganism and Magic as Instruments of Political Struggle

Authors: Matouš Vencálek

'Around the Polytheist Campfire': Creating global communities of Pagans online

Authors: Joseph Sedgwick

09:00 - 10:30 | CDWPiA 203

Reconceptualizing religion towards the planetary future (Tu_1_CD203)

Chair: Diana Lunkwitz (FAU Erlangen-Nuremberg)

The Return to 'Natural Religion' and Shifts in Global Religious Paradigms as Seen Through the Korean Case

Authors: Hyoung-June Shim

Spiritual knowledge created by co-imagination

Authors: Jaana Kouri

Ecowomanism and Nature in German-speaking Literature

Authors: Sarah Afra Ntondele

African Pentecostalism and Ecology: Rearticulating Indigenous Knowledge and Recapturing the Sacred in Nigeria

Authors: Corey Williams

09:00 - 10:30 | CDWPiA 209

CLOSED PANEL: Holy Games: Depictions of Myth and Divinity in Video Games and Why They Matter (Tu_1_CD209)

Chair: Kateryna Zorya (Försvarshögskolan)

CLOSED PANEL: Holy Games: Depictions of Myth and Divinity in Video Games and Why They Matter

Authors: Kateryna Zorya, Jane Skjoldli, Fredrik Davidsson, Kateryna Zorya, Jane Skjoldli, Fredrik Davidsson

09:00 - 10:30 | CDWPiA Assembly Hall A

ROUNDTABLE: Globalization and the academic study of religion: a methodological Trojan horse? I (Tu_1_CDAHA)

Chair: Abraham Khan (University of Toronto), Abraham Khan (Trinity College, University of Toronto)

ROUNDTABLE: Globalization and the academic study of religion: a methodological Trojan horse?" (in two parts)

Authors: Abraham Khan, Steven Sutcliffe, Paola Corrente, Rasa Pranskeviciute Amoson, Donald Wiebe, Will Sweetman, Ulrich Berner

09:00 - 10:30 | CDWPiA Assembly Hall B

Between diversity and unity: Reconciling differences through syncretism and ecumenism (Tu_1_CDAHB)

Chair: Motoe Sasaki (Hosei University)

Une « religion catholique » alternative: le cas du noachisme

Authors: Tomasz Szymański

New-Christians Religious Syncretism in Colonial and Postcolonial Brazil

Authors: Moises Orfali

Seeking Unity in Diversity in American Christianity: Late Nineteenth-Century Episcopalians' Attempts to Cooperate with Orthodox and Old Catholic Churches

Authors: Motoe Sasaki

09:00 - 10:30 | CDWPiA Blue Hall

CLOSED PANEL: Beyond religious othering: alternative European representations of India. Part I: Central Europe (Tu_1_CDBH)

Chair: Robert Gafrik (Institute of World Literature of the Slovak Academy of Sciences), Ana Jelnikar (Research Centre of the Slovenian Sciences and Arts)

CLOSED PANEL Beyond religious othering: alternative European representations of India. Part I: Central Europe

Authors: Ana Jelnikar, Robert Gafrik, Martin Fárek

09:00 - 10:30 | CfAS Cinema

FILM: Abraham's Bridge (Tu_1_Cinema)

Chair: Elinor Pierce (The Pluralism Project at Harvard University)

Film: Abraham's Bridge

Authors: Elinor Pierce

09:00 - 10:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9 101

CLOSED PANEL Eastern Spiritualities in Europe I: Reshaping Religion Beyond Boundaries (Tu_1_P9101)

Chair: Katarina Plank (Karlstad University)

ROUNDTABLE Eastern Spiritualities in Europe I: Reshaping Religion Beyond Boundaries

Authors: Katarina Plank, Daniel Enstedt, Per Faxneld, Dell Rose, Dave Vliegthart

09:00 - 10:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9 103

Reimagining Religion, Rethinking Philosophy: Theories and Methods from Buddhist Sources I (Tu_1_P9103)

Chair: Ali Sharaf (Kuwait University)

Religion or Philosophy?: On Western (Mis)Representations of Pure Land Buddhism

Authors: Kendall Marchman

Reflections On Zhang Taiyan's Sino-Buddhist Reading of Spinoza

Authors: Danica Cao

Rethinking Moral Philosophy Through Buddhist Sources: Constructive and Particularist Approaches

Authors: Ali Sharaf

09:00 - 10:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9 210

CLOSED PANEL: Ritualized Emotions (I): Power, Hierarchies, and Emotional Strategies in Social Structures (Tu_1_P9210)

Chair: Marianna Ferrara (Sapienza University of Rome)

CLOSED PANEL: Ritualized Emotions (I): Power, Hierarchies, and Emotional Strategies in Social Structures

Authors: Marianna Ferrara, Igor Spanò, Eduard Iricinschi, Dario Cellamare

09:00 - 10:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9 310

ROUNDTABLE Unlearning and (Re-)Learning as Concepts in the Didactics of Religious Studies – Experiments, Developments, and Reflections (Tu_1_P9310)

Chair: Rafaela Eulberg (University of Bonn)

ROUNDTABLE Unlearning and (Re-)Learning as Concepts in the Didactics of Religious Studies – Experiments, Developments, and Reflections

Authors: Petra Rana Tillessen, Rafaela Eulberg, Ramona Jelinek-Menke, Adrian Hermann, Team Department

09:00 - 10:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9 412

Analysing the Position of the Scholar I: Method and Theory of Positioning #1 (Tu_1_P9412)

Chair: Indrek Peedu (University of Tartu)

A General Position for all Scholars of Religion: Is it Possible?

Authors: Indrek Peedu

Scholar, Activist, Anarchist, or Joker? Casting new roles in the study of religion

Authors: Lech Trzcionkowski

Trying to Fix the Master's House with the Master's Tools. Postcolonial and de-colonial struggles with the coloniality of religion.

Authors: Matteo Bollini

09:00 - 10:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9B 105

CLOSED PANEL: Bodies, Religion, and Modernity in Korea: Intersections of Faith, Gender, and Physical Ideals (Tu_1_P9B105)

Chair: Seokjoo Kang (Seoul National University), Yeonjung Choe (Seoul National University)

CLOSED PANEL: Bodies, Religion, and Modernity in Korea: Intersections of Faith, Gender, and Physical Ideals

Authors: Minji Lee, Yeonjung Choe, Seokjoo Kang

09:00 - 10:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9B 106

Crossing the Boundaries in Esotericism (A Scandinavian Network for the Academic Study of Western Esotericism Panel) (Tu_1_P9B106)

Chair: Tim Rudbøg (Department of Cross-Cultural and Regional Studies University of Copenhagen)

Premodern Magic in a Global Network: Mediatization, Practice, and Efficacy

Authors: Andrea Franchetto

Between socialism, nationalism and Lutheran Christianity – adaptations of theosophy in Finland ca 1900–1920

Authors: Julia von Boguslawski

Jacob Frank, Freemasonry, and Esotericism across Boundaries

Authors: Aaron French

Teaching and transforming tradition: an ethnography of social learning in Swedish Wicca

Authors: Olivia Cejvan

09:00 - 10:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9B 205

ROUNDTABLE: Islam as religion and philosophy in Western European historical discourse (Tu_1_P9B205)

Chair: Benjamin De Vos (Babel - Belgian Association for the Studies of Religions), Koert Debeuf (Babel - Belgian Association for the Studies of Religions)

ROUNDTABLE: Islam as religion and philosophy in Western European historical discourse

Authors: Benjamin De Vos, Koert Debeuf, Catherine Dromelet, Niels De Nutte, Safia Zghal

09:00 - 10:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9B 206

Mapping Methods and Theories in Shi'i Studies (Tu_1_P9B206)

Chair: Mohammad Nabeel Jafri (Georg-August-Universität Göttingen), Candace Mixon (Reed College)

Text and Response: Arabic and Persian in Fatimeh's Sermon and the Iranian Marāji'

Candace Mixon

From the minbar to the world: The "intellectual practice" of Shi'i khiṭābat in Karachi

Mohammad Nabeel Jafri

09:00 - 10:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9B 303

CLOSED PANEL: Divination in modern African culture: its retrieval in the fields of culture, therapy, literature, religion, spirituality, sciences, and the law (Tu_1_P9B303)

Chair: Ullrich Kleinhempel (University of the Free State)

CLOSED PANEL: Divination in modern African culture: its retrieval in the fields of culture, therapy, literature, religion, spirituality, sciences, and the law

Authors: Ullrich Kleinhempel, Cristian Parker, Aghogho Akpome, Grace Sintim Adasi

09:00 - 10:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9B 306

Religion and national identity - case studies (Tu_1_P9B306)

Chair: Vytautas Tumenas (Lithuanian Institute of History)

Mothers' labour as service: Mathrusamithi, seva, and Hindu nationalism in Kerala, India

Authors: Deva Nandan Harikrishna, Deva Nandan Harikrishna

Journey to the Heart of the Nation: Pilgrimages and Making a Home in Taiwan

Authors: Jacob Tischer

Reinventing Trúc Lâm as the Heart of National Spirit: Interplay of Buddhism, Culture, and Politics in Communist Vietnam

Authors: T. D. Trang Nguyen

Lithuanian Theosophic Esotericism as a Connection of Oriental, Western and National Religiosity: the case of L. Truikys and his relation to Vydūnas and Čiurlionis

Authors: Vytautas Tumenas

09:00 - 10:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9B 401

What is “Roman religion” today? The terms of recent and contemporary debate I (Tu_1_P9B401)

Chair: Giorgio Ferri (Sapienza University of Rome)

Historicizing Roman religion: Methodical and historical consequences

Authors: Joerg Ruepke

Materiality of Roman religion in the 21st century: perspectives of interdisciplinarity in Roman religious studies

Authors: Csaba Szabó

What Did the Romans See When They Saw a God? Bridging Anthropological and Cognitive Approaches

Authors: Ginevra Benedetti

Between 'Orthopraxis' and Emotion : Roman Gods in Elite Rhetorical Training.

Authors: Beatrice Lietz

09:00 - 10:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9B 404

CLOSED PANEL: Sensing Religion, Heritage and the Nation: How to Study Immersive Experiences in the Theme Parks Madurodam, Miniaturk and Dollywood (Tu_1_P9B404)

Chair: Ernst van den Hemel (Meertens Instituut)

CLOSED PANEL: Sensing Religion, Heritage and the Nation: How to Study Immersive Experiences in the Theme Parks Madurodam, Miniaturk and Dollywood

Authors: Ernst van den Hemel, Aysenur Korkmaz, Rachèl Blokhuis-Koopman

10:30 - 11:00 | Auditorium Maximum Level -1

Coffee Break

11:00 - 12:00 | Auditorium Maximum Large Hall

KEYNOTE LECTURE. Dimitris Xygalatas: The future of ritual. Embodiment, praxis, and meaning in an increasingly virtual world (Tu_1_AMLH)

Chair: Dimitris Xygalatas (University of Connecticut), Ann Taves (University of California at Santa Barbara)

The future of ritual: embodiment, praxis, and meaning in an increasingly virtual world

Dymitris Xygalatas

12:00 - 13:00 | Auditorium Maximum Level -1

Lunch Break

13:00 - 14:30 | Auditorium Maximum Conference Room

ROUNDTABLE: What Makes for a Good Theory of Religion? (Tu_2_AMCR)

Chair: Michael Stausberg (University of Bergen)

ROUNDTABLE: What Makes for a Good Theory of Religion?

Authors: Michael Stausberg, Paul Hedges, Adrian Hermann, John Teehan, Jeppe Sinding Jensen, Nickolas Roubekas

13:00 - 14:30 | Auditorium Maximum Exhibition Room A

Computing Religion: Computational Approaches, Research Databases, and Quantitative Methodologies in the Study of Religions V (Tu_2_CDGH)

Chair: Tomas Hampejs (Masaryk University, DISSINET)

Exploring variability in religious beliefs and practices and their relationship with religious cooperation: A comparison of three Inner Asian populations

Authors: Byambabaatar Ichinkhorloo, Attila Mátéffy, Daniel Major-Smith, Benjamin Grant Purzycki

Quantifying Potential Selection Bias in Observational Research: Simulations and Analyses Exploring Religion and Depression Using a Prospective UK Cohort Study (ALSPAC)

Authors: Jimmy Morgan

John and the hammer broke the vase: Generative AI and the innateness of counterintuitiveness

Authors: Tamas Biro

13:00 - 14:30 | Auditorium Maximum Medium Hall A

Approaches in the Study of Religion and Politics V (Tu_2_AMMHA)

Chair: Lena Roos (Södertörn university)

Normativizing events: Changing temple practices in a time of muscular religious nationalism

Authors: Kathinka Froystad

Blurring Boundaries: The Interplay of Religion and Politics in Hindu Nationalism

Authors: Joakim Björkelid

Yoga and (Identity) Politics. Race, Gender and Sexuality in Finnish Yoga

Authors: Ella Poutiainen

A Guide to the Perplexed: Modern Philosophy as a Tool for Negotiating Jewish Diaspora Identity

Authors: Lena Roos

13:00 - 14:30 | Auditorium Maximum Medium Hall B

Religion, Festivals and Communities: Formation of New Social Identities V (Tu_2_AMMHB)

Chair: Moumita Dhar

Forgiveness and Crime Dynamics: Empirical Insights from the Catholic Jubilee Year Custom

Authors: Yulia Neleptchenko

Transformation of Festivals in Japanese Tourist Cities: Case Study of the Religious Association Botamochi-Ko at Ryuko-ji Temple

Authors: Ayako ODAKA

From Prayer to Fair: Religious and Economic Growth through the Chandi Pujo Festival of Bengal

Authors: Archita Banerjee

13:00 - 14:30 | Auditorium Maximum Seminar Room

Cognitive and evolutionary approaches to the origins, mechanisms, and functions of religion II (Tu_2_AMSR)

Chair: Radek Kundt (Masaryk University)

Biased Perceptions of Costs and Benefits in Ritual Participation: Insights from the Kavadi Ceremony

Authors: Eva Kundtová Klocová

Socioeconomic variation in motivations for ritual practice

Authors: Peter Maño, Dimitris Xygalatas

Hindu wedding ritual and moral objectivity in Mauritius

Authors: Radek Kundt

13:00 - 14:30 | CDWPiA 103

Studying Religion(s), Motherhood and Mothering in Interconnected Worlds IV (Tu_2_CD103)

Chair: Giulia Pedrucci (Comenius University of Bratislava)

"I'm a little more Hindu": Performative Motherhood and Everyday Mothering in the Indian Hindu Diaspora

Authors: Sucharita Sarkar

Female, Sikh, Militant... Motherhood and allied concepts in the religious self-fashioning of women combatants of the Punjab insurgency (1984-1995)

Authors: Maria Puri

13:00 - 14:30 | CDWPiA 12

CLOSED PANEL Pagan Religions 1: Wicca and witchcraft from the Old World to the New (Tu_2_CD12)

Chair: Suzanne Owen (Leeds Trinity University)

CLOSED PANEL Pagan Religions 1: Wicca and witchcraft from the Old World to the New

Authors: Suzanne Owen, Vivianne Crowley, Angela Puca, Karina Oliveira Bezerra

13:00 - 14:30 | CDWPiA 203

Religion, Ecology and Climate Response (Tu_2_CD203)

Chair: Adriaan Van Klinken (University of Leeds)

EXPLORING THE PRECURSOR KAUMA KAYA FOREST SHRINE: ECO-SPIRITUALITY ILLUMINATING CONTEMPORARY CONSERVATION IDEOLOGIES.

Authors: JOHN MWANGI

The Ecological Potential of the Bhagavad-gita

Authors: Ithamar Theodor

Wangari Maathai's Contribution to the Ecology of Religion

Authors: Adriaan Van Klinken

13:00 - 14:30 | CDWPiA 209

CLOSED PANEL: Occult East Asia. Esoteric Readings of Chinese Religious and Cultural Traditions (Tu_2_CD209)

Chair: Franz Winter (University of Graz), Lukas Pokorny (University of Vienna)

CLOSED PANEL Occult East Asia. Esoteric Readings of Chinese Religious and Cultural Traditions

Authors: Franz Winter, Lukas Pokorny, Davide Marino, Johan Nilsson

13:00 - 14:30 | CDWPiA Assembly Hall A

ROUNDTABLE: Globalization and the academic study of religion: a methodological Trojan horse? II (Tu_2_CDAHA)

Chair: Abraham Khan (University of Toronto), Tim Jensen, Margaret Lyngdoh (University of Tartu), Marco Pasi (University of Amsterdam), Gritt Klinkhammer (Institut fuer Religionswissenschaft und Religionspaedagogik), Will Sweetman (University of Otago), Giovanni Casadio (University of Salerno)

13:00 - 14:30 | CDWPiA Assembly Hall B

Beyond religion and secularity (Tu_2_CDAHB)

Chair: Kiyonobu DATE (The University of Tokyo)

Overcoming the dichotomy between religion and secularity: concepts and strategies

Authors: Atko Rimmel, Atko Rimmel

Secular Theologies: Unveiling the "Sacred" Within the "Secular"

Authors: Ömer Faruk Cengiz

The Oscillation of the Concept of Humanity in Post-Secular Society

Authors: Kiyonobu Date

13:00 - 14:30 | CDWPiA Blue Hall

CLOSED PANEL: Beyond religious othering: alternative European representations of India. Part II: Dutch and Flemish Sources (Tu_2_CDBH)

Chair: Robert Gafrik (Institute of World Literature of the Slovak Academy of Sciences), Ana Jelnikar (Research Centre of the Slovenian Sciences and Arts)

CLOSED PANEL Beyond religious othering: alternative European representations of India. Part II: Dutch and Flemish Sources

Authors: Robert Gafrik, Jaro Demetter, Manjusha Kuruppath, Wim De Winter

13:00 - 14:30 | CfAS Cinema

FILM: Tohoku Monogatari (Tu_2_Cinema)

Chair: Ilaria Vecchi (University of Sheffield)

Film: Tohoku Monogatari

Authors: Ilaria Vecchi

13:00 - 14:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9 101

CLOSED PANEL Eastern Spiritualities in Europe II: Reshaping Religion Beyond Boundaries (Tu_2_P9101)

Chair: Katarina Plank (Karlstad University)

CLOSED PANEL Eastern Spiritualities in Europe: Reshaping Religion Beyond Boundaries. Session 2.

Authors: Katarina Plank, Henriette Hanky, Elin Thorsén, Dave Vliegthart

13:00 - 14:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9 103

Reimagining Religion, Rethinking Philosophy: Theories and Methods from Buddhist Sources II (Tu_2_P9103)

Chair: Yaroslav Komarovski (University of Nebraska - Lincoln)

The Dharma (Reality) and Dharmas (Phenomena) of Religion in Mahāyāna Buddhism

Authors: Yuan Zhang

Buddhism in the Absence of Religion

Authors: Yaroslav Komarovski

The Translation of Religion in Early Modern and Modern Japan and the Limits of Religious Studies

Authors: Jun Fujii

13:00 - 14:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9 210

CLOSED PANEL: Ritualized Emotions (II): Memory, Identity, and Transformation through Performative Practices (Tu_2_P9210)

Chair: Linda Zampol D Ortia (Ca Foscari University of Venice)

CLOSED PANEL: Ritualized Emotions (II): Memory, Identity, and Transformation through Performative Practices

Authors: Linda Zampol D Ortia, Federica Zigarelli, Alessandro Saggioro, Małgorzata Sacha

13:00 - 14:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9 310

ROUNDTABLE: The Study of Religion as an Irritant (Tu_2_P9310)

Chair: Wanda Alberts (Leibniz University Hannover)

ROUNDTABLE: The Study of Religion as an Irritant

Authors: Wanda Alberts, Teemu Taira, Carmen Becker, Steven Sutcliffe

13:00 - 14:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9 412

Analysing the Position of the Scholar II: Method and Theory of Positioning #2 (Tu_2_P9412)

Chair: Indrek Peedu (University of Tartu)

How Do I Feel About That: Embracing the Affective Realities of the Scholar

Authors: Gwendolyn Gillson

The Scholar's Dual Position: R.C. Zaehner's Methodological Response to the Tensions of Religious Studies

Authors: Shlomy Mualem

A New Bias for a New Century: Religious Studies between Christianity and Alternative Spiritualities

Authors: Zuzana Kosticova

Being a Scholar as an Outsider

Authors: Cristian Vechiu

13:00 - 14:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9B 105

Religion and its critical academic reflections in (post)Yugoslav region I (Tu_2_P9B105)

Chair: Ales Crnic (University of Ljubljana, Faculty of Social Sciences)

Religious affinities and diversities in the (post)Yugoslav space

Authors: Ales Crnic

Religion-politics nexus in Bosnia and Herzegovina and Croatia: Empirical evidence and theoretical challenges

Authors: Sinisa Zrinscak

A COMPARATIVE ANALYSIS OF RELIGIOSITY IN NORTH MACEDONIA AND SERBIA

Authors: Danijela Gavrilovic, Ruzica Cacanaska, Ivan Blazeovski

Studying Charismatic Christianity in post-Yugoslav Region

Authors: Igor Jurekovic

13:00 - 14:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9B 106

Orthodox Christianity and Esotericism (Tu_2_P9B106)

Chair: Alberto Alfredo Winterberg

The Orthodox Esotericist: Memory and Identity in Clement of Alexandria

Authors: Alberto Alfredo Winterberg

Theosis, Theurgy, Telestike: Esoteric, or Integrally Orthodox?

Authors: Sasha Chaitow

13:00 - 14:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9B 205

CLOSED PANEL: The role of religion in shaping the relationship between culture and society: The case of Israel (Tu_2_P9B205)

Chair: Nesya Rubinstien-Shemer (Bar Ilan University)

closed panel

Authors: Nesya Rubinstien- Shemer, Odeya Schuz, Iyad Zahalka

13:00 - 14:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9B 206

CLOSED PANEL Nuancing the Concept of Relics in Islamic Contexts: Historical and Theoretical Perspectives (Tu_2_P9B206)

Chair: Susanne Olsson (Stockholm University)

CLOSED PANEL: Nuancing the Concept of Relics in Islamic Contexts: Historical and Theoretical Perspectives

Authors: Susanne Olsson, Ingvild Flakerud, Martin Riexinger, Jonas Svensson

13:00 - 14:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9B 303

Cultural heritage and pilgrimage in South Asia (Tu_2_P9B303)

Chair: Srijani Bhattacharjee (Amity University Kolkata)

A New Religious Kashi: Critical Study on the Changing Horizons of Religious Tourism in Varanasi.

Authors: Amandeep _

Tracing an indigenous tribal religiosity: A study on the Annual Pilgrimage of the Seng Khasi believers at Lum Sohpetbneng in Meghalaya

Authors: Srijani Bhattacharjee

13:00 - 14:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9B 306

Material religion in and out of Europe I (Tu_2_P9B306)

Chair: Julia Polcyn (Uniwersytet w Białymstoku)

Materialization of sacred: soil and land. The case of Christian community in Tur Abdin, Turkey

Authors: Iryna Kaplan

Enactive, Extended, Embedded, and Embodied: Marion and the Wooden Churches of the Carpathians

Authors: Michael Lucas

The usability of digital humanities in the study of Marian and the Holy Trinity columns in Silesia and the County of Klodzko in the 17th and 18th centuries.

Authors: Julia Polcyn

13:00 - 14:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9B 401

What is “Roman religion” today? The terms of recent and contemporary debate II (Tu_2_P9B401)

Chair: Giorgio Ferri (Sapienza University of Rome)

Theorizing Roman "religio" now and then. Back to the «Ciceronian turn»

Authors: Pietro Taetti

Sacred Words and Shared Identities: Religion Between the Local and Imperial in Northwest Roman Hispania

Authors: Lorena Perez Yarza, Javier Herrera Rando

Ritual Ontology and Childhood in Ancient Rome

Authors: Roosa Kallunki

13:00 - 14:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9B 404

ROUNDTABLE: Cultural Heritage and The Idea of Europe (Tu_2_P9B404)

Chair: Stian Torjussen (University of Inland Norway)

ROUNDTABLE: Cultural Heritage and The Idea of Europe

Authors: Stian Torjussen, Eivor Oftestad, Effie Fokas, Vebjørn Horsfjord, Sven Thore Kloster

14:30 - 15:00 | Auditorium Maximum Level -1

Coffee Break

15:00 - 16:30 | Auditorium Maximum Conference Room

ROUNDTABLE The Role of Institutes in the Study of Religion into the Mid-Twenty-First Century (Tu_3_AMCR)

Chair: Matthew D. McMullen (Nanzan Institute for Religion and Culture)

ROUNDTABLE The Role of Institutes in the Study of Religion into the Mid-Twenty-First Century

Authors: Yinchun Cheng, Duncan Ryuken Williams, Charles DiSimone, Christoph Kleine, Elżbieta Przybył-Sadowski, Matthew D. McMullen

15:00 - 16:30 | Auditorium Maximum Exhibition Room A

Metaphors of Religion: How Religion Emerges in Language I (Tu_3_CDGH)

Chair: Tim Karis (Ruhr University Bochum / Center for Religious Studies), Volkhard Krech (Ruhr University Bochum, Center for Religious Studies)

“Driven” by deities, “entered” by entities: Indian metaphors for possession and their implications for concepts of emotion, body and self

Authors: Gerrit Lange

The Ethical Notion of "Inner Witness" Developed in the Hindu Legal and Literary Traditions

Authors: Hideki Teshima

Dreaming a New Self: Traditional Beliefs and Novel Metaphors in the Early Upaniṣads and Advaita Vedānta

Authors: Doron Peisic

15:00 - 16:30 | Auditorium Maximum Medium Hall A

Approaches in the Study of Religion and Politics VI (Tu_3_AMMHA)

Chair: Tuomas Äystö (University of Helsinki)

Dynamics of Growth and Decline in the Global Catholic Priesthood: Centering a Critical Events Perspective

Authors: Brian Conway

Political legitimacy and institutional change in the Church of Norway

Authors: Cato Christensen, Therese Dille

Secularity in making? Redefining the political and social role of the Catholic Church in Poland

Authors: Katarzyna Zielińska

Concepts of National Church and Civil Religion in Ukrainian Religious Studies of the 1990s

Authors: Olha Prymak

15:00 - 16:30 | Auditorium Maximum Medium Hall B

Creating community through religious activities (Tu_3_AMMHB)

Chair: Felix Budelmann (University of Groningen)

Religious Housekeeping: On doing religion through continuous care-work

Authors: Ann af Burén

Imagining commensality with the divine in religions in antiquity and beyond

Authors: Felix Budelmann, Saskia Peels

15:00 - 16:30 | Auditorium Maximum Seminar Room

Cognitive and evolutionary approaches to the origins, mechanisms, and functions of religion III (Tu_3_AMSR)

Chair: Lisa Bukhave (Department of Theology Uppsala University)

Religious ritual adaptations in times of parasitic stress

Authors: Silvie Kotherova, Andrej Mentel

Bridging Evolutionary Studies of Religions and Historical Linguistics: A study of developments in Indo-European religious symbolic systems

Authors: Lisa Bukhave

15:00 - 16:30 | Auditorium Maximum Small Hall

Rethinking the History of Religious Studies: Beyond Post-Colonialism and Eurocentrism I (Tu_3_AMSH)

Chair: Augusto Cosentino (University of Trieste)

Pettazzoni's Integrative Approach to the Science of Religions

Authors: Giovanni Casadio, Márcia Maria Enéas Costa

The critical study of religions in the work of Tominaga Nakamoto (Japan 1715-1746)

Authors: Michael Pye

From Historicism to Cognitivism: Ioan Petru Culianu and the History of Religious Studies

Authors: Sorin Antohi

15:00 - 16:30 | CDWPiA 109

ROUNDTABLE: Translating Religious Concepts along the Silk Roads (Tu_3_CD109)

Chair: Chiara Ombretta Tommasi (University of Pisa)

ROUNDTABLE: Translating Religious Concepts along the Silk Roads

Authors: Chiara Ombretta Tommasi, Luisa Andriollo, Valentina Bottanelli, Carlo Ferrari, Caterina Fregosi, Simone Mollea

15:00 - 16:30 | CDWPiA 12

CLOSED PANEL Pagan Religions 2: From the Past to the Present in Contemporary Paganism (Tu_3_CD12)

Chair: Angela Puca (Leeds Trinity University)

CLOSED PANEL Pagan Religions 2: From the Past to the Present in Contemporary Paganism

Authors: Angela Puca, Jennifer Uzzell, Carole Cusack, Giuseppe Maiello, Suzanne Owen

15:00 - 16:30 | CDWPiA 209

Religion in games and films (Tu_3_CD209)

Chair: Sofia Sjo (The Donner Institute)

Religion Behind, Within and Beyond Dungeons & Dragons: the intersections between a game and religiosity.

Authors: Francisco Santos Silva

Religions Depicted in Movies – Audiovisual Pleasures and Annoyance

Authors: Tomas Axelson

Role-Playing Games and Moral Panic: The Swedish Case of Kult: Death is Only the Beginning

Authors: Erik Alvstad

Transcendence without God? Exploring death believes, rituals and afterlives in contemporary Nordic films

Authors: Sofia Sjo

15:00 - 16:30 | CDWPiA Assembly Hall A

ROUNDTABLE: Decolonization and the Study of East Asian Religion (Tu_3_CDAHA)

Chair: Satoko Fujiwara (University of Tokyo), Satoko Fujiwara (University of Tokyo)

ROUNDTABLE: Decolonization and the Study of East Asian Religion

Authors: Satoko Fujiwara, Jin Y Park, Jorn Borup, Orion Klautau, Ming-Feng Wu

15:00 - 16:30 | CDWPiA Assembly Hall B

Learning to be religious: Comparative perspectives (Tu_3_CDAHB)

Chair: Mobolaji Oyeibisi AJIBADE (Obafemi Awolowo University)

Learning to be Muslim

Authors: Jenny Berglund, Konrad Pedziwiatr

Cultivating Christ-Centered Futures: Insights from Relationship Seminars and Moral Exemplars at the University of Ibadan, Nigeria

Authors: Bimbo Omopo

Intersection of Yorùbá Cultural Values with Christianity in Selected Christian Home Videos

Authors: Mobolaji Oyeibisi AJIBADE

15:00 - 16:30 | CDWPiA Blue Hall

ROUNDTABLE: Roundtable on Alan Strathern, Converting Rulers: Global Patterns 1450-1850 (Cambridge 2024) (Tu_3_CDBH)

Chair: Will Sweetman (University of Otago)

Roundtable on Alan Strathern, Converting Rulers: Global Patterns 1450-1850 (Cambridge 2024)

Authors: Will Sweetman, Alan Strathern, Robert Yelle, Linda Zampol D Ortia, Adrian Hermann, Joan-Pau RUBIES

15:00 - 16:30 | CfAS Cinema

FILM: Hijos de la Huaca (Tu_3_Cinema)

Chair: Melissa Sturny (University of Fribourg)

FILM: Hijos de la Huaca

Authors: Melissa Sturny, Sâm Ghavami

15:00 - 16:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9 101

CLOSED PANEL: Navigating Contested Spaces: INFORM as the Bridge Between Minority Religions, Institutions, and Everyday People (Tu_3_P9101)

Chair: Aled Thomas (University of Leeds and INFORM)

CLOSED PANEL: Navigating Contested Spaces: INFORM as the Bridge Between Minority Religions, Institutions, and Everyday People

Authors: Aled Thomas, Erin Clark, Edward Graham-Hyde

15:00 - 16:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9 103

Reimagining Religion, Rethinking Philosophy: Theories and Methods from Buddhist Sources III (Tu_3_P9103)

Chair: Michael Conway (Otani University)

The Concept of Religion and Why Is Buddhism an Outlier

Authors: Stefan Sencerz

Can Jiao 教 Be Translated As "Religion"? A Perspective from China at the Close of the Northern Zhou Dynasty

Authors: Michael Conway

15:00 - 16:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9 210

CLOSED PANEL Ahimsa – Re-Thinking an Ancient Indian Concept of Non-Injury and Peace in an Interconnected and ever more Violent World (Tu_3_P9210)

Chair: Lidia GUZY (University College Cork National University of Ireland), Lidia GUZY (University College Cork National University of Ireland)

CLOSED PANEL Ahimsa – Re-Thinking an Ancient Indian Concept of Non-Injury and Peace in an Interconnected and ever more Violent World

Authors: Lidia GUZY, Abhirup Sarkar, Stefano Beggiora, Margaret Lyngdoh

15:00 - 16:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9 310

CLOSED PANEL: Filmmaking and Creative and Active Learning in Religious, History and Citizenship Education: the RETOPEA (Religious Toleration and Peace) project (Tu_3_P9310)

Chair: Stefanie Sinclair (The Open University)

CLOSED PANEL: Filmmaking and Creative and Active Learning in Religious, History and Citizenship Education: the RETOPEA (Religious Toleration and Peace) project

Authors: Stefanie Sinclair

15:00 - 16:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9 412

Analysing the Position of the Scholar III: Positioning and Historical Research (Tu_3_P9412)

Chair: Indrek Peedu (University of Tartu)

Academics and their tools in the study of ancient texts

Authors: Nils H Korsvoll

Between Faith and Truth: Debates on Chinese Buddhist Scriptures in Republican China

Authors: Qinqin Peng

15:00 - 16:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9B 105

Religion and its critical academic reflections in (post)Yugoslav region II (Tu_3_P9B105)

Chair: Ales Crnic (University of Ljubljana, Faculty of Social Sciences)

The Slava Celebration: A Private and a Public Matter

Authors: Sabina Hadzibulic

Orthodox religious communities - Serbian „The God Worshipper Movement“ and Greek „Zoi“ from Christian mission to ideological struggle

Authors: Maja Kaninska

Fascism and The New Wars: Rivalry, Orthodoxy and Radical Nationalism

Authors: Erna Anjarwati

Ancient Sacredness and Modern Practice: Sacred Spaces and Archaeological Heritage (A Slovenian Example)

Authors: Anja Mlakar

15:00 - 16:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9B 106

Hermeneutics of Enchantment: Post-modern Magical Practice as a New Global Lifestyle (Tu_3_P9B106)

Chair: Tancredi Marrone (Masaryk University), Andrej Kapcar (Masaryk University)

Hermeneutics of Enchantment: Post-modern Magical Practice as a New Global Lifestyle Part I

Tancredi Marrone

Hermeneutics of Enchantment: Post-modern Magical Practice as a New Global Lifestyle Part II

Andrej Kapcar

Sympathy for the devil. A new paradigm of working with demons in esoteric practices

Authors: Alicja Borowik

15:00 - 16:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9B 205

CLOSED PANEL: The Miracles of St Menas: One Saint, Three Continents, Fifteen Centuries (Tu_3_P9B205)

Chair: Przemysław Piwowarczyk (University of Silesia in Katowice)

CLOSED PANEL: The Miracles of St Menas: One Saint, Three Continents, Fifteen Centuries

Authors: Przemysław Piwowarczyk, Rafał Zarzeczny, Julia Doroszevska

15:00 - 16:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9B 206

Closed Panel: Continuity or Transformation of Religious Tradition? Orthodoxy and Authority in Sufism (Tu_3_P9B206)

Chair: MAKOTO SAWAI (Tenri University)

Closed Panel: Continuity or Transformation of Religious Tradition? Orthodoxy and Authority in Sufism

Authors: MAKOTO SAWAI, KEI TAKAHASHI, YUKARI TANAHASHI, TAKANORI SUENO, YASUSHI IMAMATSU

15:00 - 16:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9B 306

Material religion in and out of Europe II (Tu_3_P9B306)

Chair: Martin Klapetek (University of South Bohemia in Ceske Budejovice, Faculty of Theology)

Dealing with Religiously Sensitive Objects in Collection Contexts – Sensitivity, Agency and Ethics in Relation

Authors: Vanessa Obermair

The Islamic cemetery in Altach: an art project and a place of memory

Authors: Martin Klapetek

15:00 - 16:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9B 401

CLOSED PANEL: The Religious Aesthetics of Intense Devotion in the Ancient World (closed panel) (Tu_3_P9B401)

Chair: Ingvild Gilhus (University of Bergen), Laura Feldt (University of Southern Denmark)

CLOSED PANEL: The Religious Aesthetics of Intense Devotion in the Ancient World (closed panel)

Authors: Ingvild Gilhus, Laura Feldt, Christian Bull, Klazina Staat, Erica Baffelli

16:30 - 16:45 | Auditorium Maximum Level -1

(Quick) Coffee break

16:45 - 18:15 | Auditorium Maximum Large Hall

PLENARY SESSION: What Kind(s) of History for the History of Religions? (Tu_2_AMLH)

Chair: Lech Trzcionkowski (Jagiellonian University), Mattias Brand (University of Fribourg)

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08:00 - 17:00 | Field 3

Excursion: The Lost Cities and Vineyard Tour

09:00 - 13:00 | Auditorium Maximum Small Hall

IAHR IC Meeting (We_1_AMSH)

09:00 - 16:00 | Field 1

Excursion: The Black Madonna Tour

10:00 - 16:00 | Field 2

Excursion: The Krakow & Beyond Religious Landscape Tour

19:00 - 23:55 | Stara Zajezdnia

Congress Dinner (by registration only!)

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09:00 - 10:30 | Auditorium Maximum Conference Room

CLOSED PANEL: Polish Religious Studies. Traditions and modernity (Th_1_AMCR)

Chair: Jerzy Kojkoł (Polish Naval Academy)

CLOSED PANEL: Polish Religious Studies. Traditions and modernity

Authors: Jerzy Kojkoł, Sławomir Sztajer, Paweł Kusiak, Sebastian Dama

09:00 - 10:30 | Auditorium Maximum Exhibition Room A

Metaphors of Religion: How Religion Emerges in Language II (Th_1_CDGH)

Chair: Tim Karis (Ruhr University Bochum / Center for Religious Studies), Volkhard Krech (Ruhr University Bochum, Center for Religious Studies)

Metaphors of transcendence in Korean Neo-Confucian personal narratives (16th-18th ct.)

Authors: Marion Eggert

Holy Men and Modern Minds: The Transformative Power of Metaphors in Hesychast Spirituality and Modern Psychology

Authors:

Biblical Allusion, Religious Polemics, and Orientalism: The East as a Metaphor in Orthodox Church Historiography (19th - early 20th centuries)

Authors: Pavlo Yermieiev

09:00 - 10:30 | Auditorium Maximum Medium Hall A

CLOSED PANEL: Manipulating the Relationships among Religion, Law, and Politics: A Case Study of Islamic Contexts (Th_1_AMMHA)

Chair: Daisuke Maruyama (National Defense Academy of Japan)

CLOSED PANEL Manipulating the Relationships among Religion, Law, and Politics: A Case Study of Islamic Contexts

Authors: Daisuke Maruyama, Nozomi Kano, Kie Inoue, Fumiya Kondo, Shin Nomoto, Daisuke Maruyama, Nozomi Kano, Kie Inoue, Fumiya Kondo, Shin Nomoto

09:00 - 10:30 | Auditorium Maximum Medium Hall B

CLOSED PANEL: Wealth and illth rituals: Releasing other-than-human beings from their epistemological cage (Th_1_AMMHB)

Chair: Jiří Dynda (Institute of Slavonic Studies, Czech Academy of Sciences), Martin Hanker (Charles University, Faculty of Arts), Jonáš Vlasák (Charles University, Faculty of Arts), Petr Jandáček (Charles University, Faculty of Arts)

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09:00 - 10:30 | Auditorium Maximum Seminar Room

CLOSED PANEL: 4E APPROACHES IN THE COGNITIVE SCIENCES OF RELIGION II: ACTION, AFFECT, AND IMMERSION IN RELIGIOUS REAL-MAKING (Th_1_AMSR)

Chair: Matylda Ciołkosz (Jagiellonian University)

CLOSED PANEL: 4E APPROACHES IN THE COGNITIVE SCIENCES OF RELIGION I: ACTION, AFFECT, AND IMMERSION IN RELIGIOUS REAL-MAKING

Authors: Piotr Szymanek, Jane Skjodli, Ingela Visuri, Armin Geertz

09:00 - 10:30 | Auditorium Maximum Small Hall

Rethinking the History of Religious Studies: Beyond Post-Colonialism and Eurocentrism II (Th_1_AMSH)

Chair: Sorin Antohi (Orbis Tertius Association), Augusto Cosentino (University of Trieste)

Colonialism and Post Colonialism in the Turkish Religionswissenschaft

Authors: MUSTAFA ALICI

Other colonialism, German-Russian ethnography in colonialist context, and the History of religions

Authors: Aušra Pažėraitė

Economics of Devotion: Rehmania and the Institutionalization of Sufism in Colonial South Asia

Authors: Sahibzada Habeeb Ur Rehman

From Colonial Wounds to Cultural Healing: Andean and Amazonian Spirituality in the Process of Decolonization

Authors: Stefano Gandini

09:00 - 10:30 | CDWPiA 103

Beyond Confessionalization: Early Modern Religious Identities in a Global Perspective I (Th_1_CD103)

Chair: Jana Valtrova (Masaryk University)

“Confessionalized” Safavid Iran and Religious Minorities

Authors: Tomoko Morikawa

Spiritual dimension of “religion” in Francis Bacon

Authors: Hazuki Shimono

09:00 - 10:30 | CDWPiA 109

CLOSED PANEL: Mapping Bengali Vaishnava traditions: Interconnections and Intersections from pre-colonial to contemporary times (Th_1_CD109)

Chair: Santanu Dey (Ramakrishna Mission Vidyamandira, Belur Math)

Closed Panel on 'Mapping Bengali Vaishnava traditions: Interconnections and Intersections from pre-colonial to contemporary times'

Authors: Santanu Dey, Mâns Broo, Ferdinando Sardella, Robert Czyżykowski, Lucian Wong

09:00 - 10:30 | CDWPiA 12

ROUNDTABLE: Paganism, Cultural Heritage and the Idea of Europe (Th_1_CD12)

Chair: Helge Årsheim (University of Inland Norway)

ROUNDTABLE: Paganism, Cultural Heritage and the Idea of Europe

Authors: Helge Årsheim, Rasa Pranskeviciute-Amoson, Atko Rimmel, Evgenia Fotiou, Pavel Hórák

09:00 - 10:30 | CDWPiA 203

Voices of the Ancient Americas on Religion and the Sacred Order (Th_1_CD203)

Chair: Solares Blanca (Universidad Nacional Autonoma de Mexico)

Indigenous Worldviews and the Anthropocene

Authors: Blanca Solares

“The hens of this land”: Ecology and religión in the symbolizations of the Guajolote in Mexico

Authors: MARIA DE LA LUZ MALDONADO RAMIREZ

The Klamath geomyth about the formation of Crater Lake: Current state of anthropological knowledge

Authors: Michał Żerkowski

09:00 - 10:30 | CDWPiA 209

CLOSED PANEL: Methodologies in Global Religious History: Is there “Esotericism” in Japan? (closed panel) (Th_1_CD209)

Chair: Ioannis Gaitanidis (Chiba University)

CLOSED PANEL: Methodologies in Global Religious History: Is there “Esotericism” in Japan? (closed panel)

Authors: Ioannis Gaitanidis, Orion Klautau, Seiji Hoshino, Erica Baffelli

09:00 - 10:30 | CDWPiA Assembly Hall A

A guide for the perplexed scholar of religions (Th_1_CDAHA)

Chair: Antonia Franaszek-Traczewska (Jagiellonian University)

Religious Conflict and the Moral Mind

Authors: Tomas Lindgren

Cognitive Science of Religion and the Deconstruction of “Religion”

Authors: Dominika Hadrysiewicz

A Matter of Survival: Why Scholars of Religion Should Pay Attention to and Write Scoping and Systematic Literature Reviews

Authors: Göran Larsson, Erika Willander

Unlabeling Religions: A Case for Studying Religious Boundary-Making

Authors: Oliver Freiburger

09:00 - 10:30 | CDWPiA Blue Hall

CLOSED PANEL: Related as Religion: Entanglements of Indigenous Practices and Objects in Sápmi and beyond (Th_1_CDBH)

Chair: Hannah Kristine Lunde (University of Bergen), Konsta Kaikkonen (HVL - Western Norway University of Applied Sciences)

Closed Panel: Related as Religion: Entanglements of Indigenous Practices and Objects in Sápmi and beyond

Authors: Hannah Kristine Lunde, Siv Ellen Kraft, Konsta Kaikkonen, Arkotong Longkumer, Bjorn Ola Tafjord

09:00 - 10:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9 103

Reimagining Religion, Rethinking Philosophy: Theories and Methods from Buddhist Sources IV (Th_1_P9103)

Chair: Anastasiia Shabalina (Adam Mickiewicz University in Poznan)

Early Buddhism as "psychagogy"

Authors: Gleb Sharygin

Understanding Zen Buddhism and Philosophy from Internal Experience: Hisamatsu Shin'ichi's Interpretation of Neoplatonism as an Example

Authors: Hiroto Doi

Transforming philosophy into lived experience in Buddhism

Authors: Anastasiia Shabalina

09:00 - 10:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9 210

Bodies and Spaces in Religions and Regions Beyond Europe: Bridging Local Knowledge with Global Discourse I (Th_1_P9210)

Chair: Adam Newman (University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign)

Al-Najashi Mosque Complex in Tigray, Ethiopia: between the Local and the Global

Authors: Avishai Ben-Dror

Porous Bodies and Sacred Geographies: Exploring the Interplay of Bodies, Rituals, and Spatiality at the Śrī Vallabha Temple Festival in Kerala

Authors: George Pati

Making a Body for Periyandavar in Rural Tamil Spaces

Authors: Amy Allocco

09:00 - 10:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9 310

Time for transformation? Criticism of the concept of religion as a challenge for non-confessional religious education I (Th_1_P9310)

Chair: Peder Thalen (University of Gävle)

What is considered religion in Japan: A comparative study of questionnaire surveys

Authors: Shuhei Fujii

How to lose a crowd in 10 questions? Interbelief education as a modern opportunity for living together

Authors: Niels De Nutte

09:00 - 10:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9 412

Analysing the Position of the Scholar IV: Positioning and Fieldwork (Th_1_P9412)

Chair: Indrek Peedu (University of Tartu)

And then there's the age difference: Power dynamics and reflexivity in researching youth religiosity

Authors: Katharina Limacher, Astrid Mattes

Negotiating Positionality: A Non-Indigenous Researcher within Rong Ritual Spaces

Authors: Debasmita Ghosh

Entering the Field from Within: Navigating Migration, Reflexivity, and Positionality in Ethnographic Research on Spanish Communities in Vienna

Authors: Ramón Soneira-Martínez

09:00 - 10:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9B 105

A Comparative Religious History of Central-Eastern Europe, 1500-2000: Problems, Methods, Perspectives I (Th_1_P9B105)

Chair: Bogdan Tătaru-Cazaban (Institute for the History of Religions)

Between Christian and Muslim Cultures. Middleman Minorities: Dragomen and Interpreters in Sixteenth-Century Lwów. Concepts and Rôles

Authors: Susanne Marten-Finnis

Hungarian Shaman: Táltos – A Cross-Cultural and Historical Examination of a Shamanistic Figure in Hungary

Authors: Metehan AYDIN

The peoples descended from Iafet and Genghis Khan – an investigation into the development of religion and proto-ethnography in the exploration of Nicolae Milescu (1675-1676). A comparative historical-religious study.

Authors: DANIELA DUMBRAVA

09:00 - 10:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9B 106

CLOSED PANEL: Normative Esotericism: On whiteness, Masculinity, and Cis-heteronormativity in Esoteric Belief and Practice (Th_1_P9B106)

Chair: Justine Bakker (Radboud University Nijmegen)

CLOSED PANEL: Normative Esotericism: On whiteness, Masculinity, and Cis-heteronormativity in Esoteric Belief and Practice

Authors: Manon Hedenborg White, Laila van Berge, Tanya Cheadle, Justine Bakker

09:00 - 10:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9B 205

CLOSED PANEL Political Theology between Modern Europe, the Middle East and the Ancient World

(Th_1_P9B205)

Chair: Robert Yelle (LMU Munich)

CLOSED PANEL Political Theology between Modern Europe, the Middle East and the Ancient World

Authors: Robert Yelle, Cristiana Facchini, Pooyan Tamimi Arab

09:00 - 10:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9B 206

CLOSED PANEL: Shia Islam and Thick Transregionalism in the Indian Ocean World. Multi-sited studies of Dawoodi Bohras (Th_1_P9B206)

Chair: Uwe Skoda (Aarhus University)

CLOSED PANEL: Shia Islam and Thick Transregionalism in the Indian Ocean World. Multi-sited studies of Dawoodi Bohras

Authors: Uwe Skoda, Thomas Fibiger, Isha Dubey, Mattias Olesen

09:00 - 10:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9B 303

CLOSED PANEL: Accommodation Theory Contributing to Jingjiao's Understanding of "Religions" in Tang China in Comparison with That in Other Religions (Th_1_P9B303)

Chair: Shinichi MUTO (Daito Bunka University)

CLOSED PANEL: Accommodation Theory Contributing to Jingjiao's Understanding of "Religions" in Tang China in Comparison with That in Other Religions

Authors: Shinichi MUTO, Rika MIYAI, Yoshinobu YUKI, Yoko NII

09:00 - 10:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9B 306

Good, Evil and Beyond: Case studies in culture-specific construals of values (Th_1_P9B306)

Chair: Jakub Bohuszewicz (Uniwersytet Jagielloński)

Good and Evil. A central conception among the nuu-chah-nulth on Vancouver Island.

Authors: Carl Johan Gurt

Imported or indigenous? The origin of warfare and shamanism among the Siberian natives

Authors: Jakub Bohuszewicz

09:00 - 10:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9B 401

Mobility, Monumentality and Urban Religion in the Ancient World I (Th_1_P9B401)

Chair: Elisa Uusimäki (Aarhus University), Joerg Ruepke (Max Weber Centre University of Erfurt)

Jerusalem's Sacred Spaces and Jerusalem as a Sacred Space: A Metropolis for All the Jews?

Authors: Eelco Glas, Elisa Uusimäki

Urban mobility and religious practices in Miletus in the Post-Classical Period: an approach to the multiscalar aspect of co-spatiality

Authors: Felipe Perissato

Understanding Religious Urbanism: Mobility, Monumentality and Sacred Networks in Early Medieval Eastern-Indian Buddhism

Authors: Chitralekha Banerjee

Aseneth the Urbanised Woman and Mobile City

Authors: R Gillian Glass

10:30 - 11:00 | Auditorium Maximum Level -1

Coffee Break

11:00 - 12:00 | Auditorium Maximum Large Hall

KEYNOTE LECTURE. Vineeta Sinha: Theorising Religion in Entangled Worlds. Insights from Diaspora Hinduism (Th_1_AMLH)

Chair: Vineeta Sinha (National University of Singapore)

Theorising Religion in Entangled Worlds: Insights from Diaspora Hinduism

12:00 - 13:00 | Auditorium Maximum Level -1

Lunch Break

13:00 - 14:30 | Auditorium Maximum Conference Room

ROUNDTABLE: Religion in relation. Problems and perspectives of relational approaches in the Study of Religion (Th_2_AMCR)

Chair: Oliver Krueger (Fribourg University CH)

ROUNDTABLE: Religion in relation. Problems and perspectives of relational approaches in the Study of Religion

Authors: Oliver Krueger, Volkhard Krech, Karenina Kollmar-Paulenz, Katja Rakow, Eva Spies, Andrea Rota

13:00 - 14:30 | Auditorium Maximum Exhibition Room A

Metaphors of Religion: How Religion Emerges in Language III (Th_2_CDGH)

Chair: Tim Karis (Ruhr University Bochum / Center for Religious Studies), Volkhard Krech (Ruhr University Bochum, Center for Religious Studies)

The Mind and the “Clear Light” Metaphor in a Tibetan Buddhist Tradition

Authors: Jan-Ulrich Sobisch

Similes of the Body as Tools for Religious Transformation in Jainism

Authors: Claire Maes

Misthopoetics: Deciphering the Ritual Discourse of Ancient Philosophy

Authors: Peter Jackson Rova

From the “Straight Path” to the “Perfect Path”: Conceptual Metaphor, Linguistic Transition, and Theological Refinement in Zoroastrian Exegesis

Authors: Yusef Saadat, Kianoosh Rezaei, Neda Mohtashami

13:00 - 14:30 | Auditorium Maximum Medium Hall A

CLOSED PANEL Engaging Hindu Pilgrimage in an Interconnected World: Mapping Journeys and Crossing Boundaries (Th_2_AMMHA)

Chair: Knut Axel Jacobsen (University of Bergen), Tracy Pintchman (Loyola University Chicago)

CLOSED PANEL Engaging Hindu Pilgrimage in an Interconnected World: Mapping Journeys and Crossing Boundaries

Authors: Knut Axel Jacobsen, Tracy Pintchman, Marianne Qvortrup Fibiger, Diana Dimitrova, George Pati

13:00 - 14:30 | Auditorium Maximum Medium Hall B

ROUNDTABLE: Studying death rituals in contemporary changing social and cultural landscapes (Th_2_AMMHB)

Chair: Terhi Utriainen (University of Helsinki)

ROUNDTABLE: Studying death rituals in contemporary changing social and cultural landscapes

Authors: Terhi Utriainen, Elena Romashko, Reet Hiemäe, Denise Lombardi, Alana Vincent, Dorothea Lüddeckens, Jenny Uzzell

13:00 - 14:30 | Auditorium Maximum Seminar Room

Enactive, extended, embedded, and embodied approaches to religious cognition II: Enacting shared narratives (Th_2_AMSR)

Chair: Gabriel Levy (NTNU)

Narrating, predicting or enacting Zion? Harmonist Worldmaking as Active Inference

Authors: Dirk Johannsen

Kindling a Secular Age: Emigration, Education, and the Cultivation of a Godless World

Authors: Stian Andre Sivertsen

A god, a teacher, a superyogi? Making sense of íśvara in modern postural yoga communities

Authors: Matylda Ciołkosz

Natural Language as Test Case for CSR: Tagalog (Filipino) and Marking Humanness in Native versus English God Concepts

Authors: Paul Robertson, Lyra Joson, Casey Roark, Sean Madigan

13:00 - 14:30 | Auditorium Maximum Small Hall

Rethinking the History of Religious Studies: Beyond Post-Colonialism and Eurocentrism III (Th_2_AMSH)

Chair: Paola Corrente (University of Salerno), Augusto Cosentino (University of Trieste)

The Islamic origins of Religious Studies: Ibn Khadun's work and his epigones

Authors: Davide S Amore

A Comparative Approach to Religious Movements beyond Eurocentrism: A Focus on Japan

Authors: Yetkin KARAÖGLÜ

Rethinking Categories: Interreligious Dialogue and Religious Migrations between History and Comparative Law

Authors: Elisabetta Colagrossi, Daniela Tarantino

13:00 - 14:30 | CDWPiA 103

Beyond Confessionalization: Early Modern Religious Identities in a Global Perspective II (Th_2_CD103)

Chair: Jana Valtrova (Masaryk University)

Other Borders: Religious Identity and Interaction in Early Modern Dutch and Colonial Worlds

Authors: Alexander Van Der Haven

Constructing and Practicing the Sant Identity in Early Modern North India

Authors: Jarosław Zapart

13:00 - 14:30 | CDWPiA 109

Christian missions as metamorphic zones for the circulation of knowledge about “religion”? Cases from South Asia (19-20th centuries) (Th_2_CD109)

Chair: Philippe Bornet (University of Lausanne), Mukesh Kumar (University of Zurich)

The Making of Zoroastrianism in modern India

Authors: Mariano Errichiello

Showcasing Colonial Beliefs: The display of religions from the colonies at Switzerland's national exhibitions in 1883 and 1896.

Authors: Alexandra Probst

How the term “religion” impacted an ethnic group of Northeast India:

Authors: Evakordor Benson Diengdoh

13:00 - 14:30 | CDWPiA 12

CLOSED PANEL New Age and Contemporary Paganism Out of (Western) Europe I. (Th_2_CD12)

Chair: Viola Teisenhoffer (University of Liege)

CLOSED PANEL New Age and Contemporary Paganism Out of (Western) Europe I.

Authors: Agnes Kedzierska Manzon, Viola Teisenhoffer, Katarzyna Zajda, Agnes Kedzierska Manzon, Viola Teisenhoffer, Katarzyna Zajda, Paweł Karolczyk

13:00 - 14:30 | CDWPiA 203

Religion and Ecological Activism in Scandinavia and Britain (Th_2_CD203)

Chair: Shai Feraro (University of Haifa)

Climate change, animal rights and the Church in changing society

Authors: Heikki Pesonen

Mobilizing the sacred: how Sámi beliefs and understandings of landscapes are used to protect nature

Authors: Marianne Friisberg Larssen

Pagans Against Nukes and the Linking of Wiccan-Derived Paganism with Ecofeminism in Britain, 1980–1990

Authors: Shai Feraro

13:00 - 14:30 | CDWPiA 209

CLOSED PANEL: Rethinking Saivism as Global Religion: Texts, Practices and Global Connections (Th_2_CD209)

Chair: Ulrike Schröder (University of Rostock)

CLOSED PANEL: Rethinking Saivism as Global Religion: Texts, Practices and Global Connections

Authors: Ulrike Schröder, Jesse Pruitt, Jessica A. Albrecht, Gregory T. Basker

13:00 - 14:30 | CDWPiA Assembly Hall A

Insights into the history of the study of religions I (Th_2_CDAHA)

Chair: Marco Giardini

Religion in a Free Society: Paul Feyerabend and Abdolkrim Soroush on methodological pluralism

Authors: Jordan Kynes

Cognizing Religion from ‘Specific’ to ‘General’ in Twentieth century India: A study of Wilfred Cantwell Smith’s encounter with Islam

Authors: Ayesha Qurat Ul Ain

Religion, “traditional form” and initiation: The different usage of the term “religion” in René Guénon and Frithjof Schuon's writings

Authors: Marco Giardini

13:00 - 14:30 | CDWPiA Assembly Hall B

International Study of Religion in Eastern and Central Europe Association (ISORECEA) (Th_2_CDAHB)

13:00 - 14:30 | CDWPiA Blue Hall

CLOSED PANEL: Comparative Studies of Indigeneity and Indigenous Religions (Th_2_CDBH)

Chair: Takeshi Kimura (University of Tsukuba)

CLOSED PANEL: Comparative Studies of Indigeneity and Indigenous Religions

Authors: Takeshi Kimura, Samsul Maarif, Jinghua Huang

13:00 - 14:30 | CfAS Cinema

FILM: Sharing the Lingsar Temple and Its Festival (Th_2_Cinema)

Chair: Anna Maćkowiak (College of Religious Studies, Mahidol University)

FILM: Sharing the Lingsar Temple and Its Festival [film]

Authors: Anna Maćkowiak, Anita Reza Zein

13:00 - 14:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9 101

New religion beyond religion I (Th_2_P9101)

Chair: Irene Stengs (Meertens Institute/Vrije University)

From Islamic Religious and Political activism to self-claimed Messiah: Messiah Hasan Mezarci

Authors: Isa Babur

Sacred mediators: Processes of sacralization in present-day engagements with trees

Authors: Irene Stengs

Avoiding the label of “religion”: the case of the Gran Fraternidad Universal (GFU) and New Age in Latin America

Authors: Alhelí Málaga

13:00 - 14:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9 103

Political Regimes of religious Plurality – Focusing on the underlying Concepts of Religion I (Th_2_P9103)

Chair: Karsten Lehmann (KPH Wien Krems)

Magic, Faith, and Tradition: The Case of Doa Nevisi in Iran

Authors: Reyhaneh Ghoroghchian

Rethinking Religious Plurality in Ghana's Fourth Republic as an Avenue for Peacebuilding

Authors: Joseph Kwadwo Asuming

'The Kuzari' - Between the Particular and the Universal: A Dual Perspective on Judaism in Yehuda Halevi thought

Authors: Ehud Nahir

13:00 - 14:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9 210

Bodies and Spaces in Religions and Regions Beyond Europe: Bridging Local Knowledge with Global Discourse II (Th_2_P9210)

Chair: George Pati (Valparaiso University)

Beautiful Bodies: Corporeal Piety in Theravāda Buddhism

Authors: Rachelle Scott

Landscape as Erotic Body in Song of Songs

Authors: Yudit Greenberg

13:00 - 14:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9 310

Time for transformation? Criticism of the concept of religion as a challenge for non-confessional religious education II (Th_2_P9310)

Chair: Peder Thalen (University of Gävle)

A "Saint for Secular Spirituality"? Ellen Key and the definition of religion and spirituality in Sweden in the 20'th century.

Authors: Hedda Jansson

Municipal governance on the fringe: the issue of Islamic religious education for the Swedish-speaking minority in Finland's comprehensive schools

Authors: Isak Hannus

13:00 - 14:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9 412

Are the Gates Open? The Insider/Outsider Debate in the Study of Esotericism I (Th_2_P9412)

Chair: Adas Diržys (Vytautas Magnus University), Audrius Beinorius (Institute of Asian and transcultural Studies, Vilnius University)

Practitioner-Scholarship and the Insider/Outsider Debate in the Study of Esotericism

Authors: Bernd-Christian Otto

Co-Producing Knowledge in the Study of Esotericism: The Research Network for the Study of Esoteric Practices (RENSEP) and the Reconfiguration of the Insider/Outsider Debate

Authors: Andrea Centore

Trans- States and "Enic" Practitioner-Scholar Transpositionality

Authors: Cavan McLaughlin

Arai Ōsui, Thomas Lake Harris, and the Swedenborgian Prophecy of Japan

Authors: Dell Rose

13:00 - 14:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9B 105

A Comparative Religious History of Central-Eastern Europe, 1500-2000: Problems, Methods, Perspectives II (Th_2_P9B105)

Chair: Daniela Dumbrava (University of Bucharest)

The Jewish Enlightenment and the Issue of Tolerance in Central European and Romanian Context

Authors: Daniel Dumitran

Romanticism and Catholicism in Early 19th-Century Germany: Approaches and Elective Affinities

Authors: Robson Rodrigues Gomes Filho, Vanessa Carnielo R. Gomes

A Question of Subjectivism? Eliade's Approach to Religions in an Early Manuscript Note

Authors: Bogdan Tătaru-Cazaban

13:00 - 14:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9B 106

CLOSED PANEL: Aleister Crowley, Thelema, and 20th Century Esotericism in a Global Perspective (Th_2_P9B106)

Chair: Manon Hedenborg White (Malmö University)

CLOSED PANEL: Aleister Crowley, Thelema, and 20th Century Esotericism in a Global Perspective

Authors: Manon Hedenborg White, Henrik Bogdan, Maggie Kastlund, Olivia Cejvan

13:00 - 14:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9B 205

ROUNDTABLE: Heritage on the Edge. Reimagining Religion and Heritage-making in Japan and Beyond (Th_2_P9B205)

Chair: Paride Stortini (Ghent University)

ROUNDTABLE: Heritage on the Edge. Reimagining Religion and Heritage-making in Japan and Beyond

Authors: Paride Stortini, Paulina Kolata, Akira Nishimura, Emily Anderson, Aike Rots

13:00 - 14:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9B 206

Islam and popular culture (Th_2_P9B206)

Chair: Mira Menzfeld (University of Zurich)

"Wanted to meet a good Halal boy": Courtship between tradition and modernity in Muslim dating apps.

Authors: Erica Li Lundqvist

Balancing on the As-Sirat: negotiating Muslimness and Apostasy in Turkish Black Metal

Authors: Douglas Mattsson

Attractions and Repulsions: How the manosphere is perceived in the German-Speaking Salafiyya

Authors: Mira Menzfeld

13:00 - 14:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9B 401

Mobility, Monumentality and Urban Religion in the Ancient World II (Th_2_P9B401)

Chair: Elisa Uusimäki (Aarhus University), Joerg Ruepke (Max Weber Centre University of Erfurt)

Spatiality of the Worship of the Gods. Sacred Landscape of Palmyra and Palmyrena.

Authors: Aleksandra Kubiak-Schneider

Urban Nevertheless: Ascetic Urbanities from the Cradle to the Grave

Authors: Maria Dell'Isola, Emiliano Urciuoli

Religious monumentality inside and outside the city in late Antique/early medieval Uḡḡīyana (N Pakistan)

Authors: Elisa Iori

14:30 - 15:00 | Auditorium Maximum Level -1

Coffee Break

15:00 - 16:30 | Auditorium Maximum Conference Room

ROUNDTABLE: Rethinking Secularity Beyond the West: An Editors-Meet-Critics Discussion of Global Secularity – A Source Book in Seven Volumes” (Th_3_AMCR)

Chair: Monika Wohlrab-Sahr (University of Leipzig), Christoph Kleine (University of Leipzig), Johannes Duschka (University of Leipzig)

Roundtable: "Rethinking Secularity Beyond the West: An Editors-Meet-Critics Discussion of Global Secularity – A Source Book in Seven Volumes"

Authors: Monika Wohlrab-Sahr, Christoph Kleine, Paula Schrode, Anja Kirsch, Fujiwara Satoko, Johannes Duschka

15:00 - 16:30 | Auditorium Maximum Exhibition Room A

Metaphors of Religion: How Religion Emerges in Language IV (Th_3_CDGH)

Chair: Tim Karis (Ruhr University Bochum / Center for Religious Studies), Volkhard Krech (Ruhr University Bochum, Center for Religious Studies)

Literally Undead: Ghosts, Zombies and the Art of Taking Religious Metaphors Seriously

Authors: Stefanie Burkhardt

Talking about the same in the same way? Orientational metaphors on the occasion of marriages in religious and non-religious texts

Authors: Jenny Vorpahl

Servers of posthumous worlds. How the Internet can serve as a primary metaphor in the religious description of reality?

Authors: Kajetan Kowalik

15:00 - 16:30 | Auditorium Maximum Medium Hall B

CLOSED PANEL Domesticating Pilgrimage: On Sense and Presence in Tracing Oikonomies of Sacred Travel (Th_3_AMMHB)

Chair: Simon Coleman (University of Toronto), John Eade (University of Roehampton)

CLOSED PANEL Domesticating Pilgrimage: On Sense and Presence in Tracing Oikonomies of Sacred Travel

Authors: Simon Coleman, Kamila Baraniecka-Olszewska, Kaja Kajder, Mario Katić, Evgenia Mesaritou, John Eade

15:00 - 16:30 | Auditorium Maximum Seminar Room

Enactive, extended, embedded, and embodied approaches to religious cognition III: 4E cognition and new approaches to the study of religions (Th_3_AMSR)

Chair: Eva Kundtová Klocová (Masaryk University)

Challenging Prehistoric "Religiosity": Re-analyzing Paleolithic and Mesolithic "Shamanism" through Cognitive, Archaeological and "Pettazzonian" Lenses

Authors: Luca Campione, Valentina Decembrini

Thinking through artifacts: the varieties and functions of extended religious cognition

Authors: Slawomir Sztajer

LEAVING THE BODY: THE PROSPECT OF 4E COGNITION FOR THE STUDY OF CULTURAL PHENOMENA

Authors: Jesper Soerensen

15:00 - 16:30 | Auditorium Maximum Small Hall

Rethinking the History of Religious Studies: Beyond Post-Colonialism and Eurocentrism IV (Th_3_AMSH)

Chair: Giovanni Casadio (University of Salerno), Augusto Cosentino (University of Trieste)

Rethinking the category of "religion" as a heuristic device.

Authors: Alfons Teipen

Secularization Theory Reexamined: An Intersectional Critique

Authors: Shuntaro Shibata

What does "religious" mean? A linguistic – phenomenological approach

Authors: Javier Ruiz Calderon

Explaining and understanding ancient religions in the era of political correctness and cancel culture: the case of polytheism

Authors: Paola Corrente

15:00 - 16:30 | CDWPiA 103

Beyond Confessionalization: Early Modern Religious Identities in a Global Perspective III (Th_3_CD103)

Chair: Ales Chalupa (Masaryk University, Department for the Study of Religions; Center for the Digital Research of Religion)

The early modern church as battlefield: confessional identity of sacred space in the post-Reformation era

Authors: Ondrej Jakubec

Confessionalization and Crafting Group Identity Through Conversion Narratives

Authors: Jakub Cigan

The Diversity of Anabaptists in Moravia (16th-17th century): Between Heresiology and Self-Identification

Authors: Jana Valtrova

15:00 - 16:30 | CDWPiA 109

ROUNDTABLE: How Europe Found Religion in India: Re-examining the cultural foundations of a conceptual vocabulary (Th_3_CD109)

Chair: Jakob De Roover (Ghent University)

ROUNDTABLE: How Europe Found Religion in India: Re-examining the cultural foundations of a conceptual vocabulary

Authors: Jakob De Roover, Ana Jelnicar, Audrius Beinorius, Anna Vrkoslavová, Boaz Huss

15:00 - 16:30 | CDWPiA 12

CLOSED PANEL: New Age and Contemporary Paganism Out of (Western) Europe II. (Th_3_CD12)

Chair: Agnes Kedzierska Manzon (Ecole Pratique des Hautes Etudes - PSL)

CLOSED PANEL: New Age and Contemporary Paganism Out of (Western) Europe II.

Authors: Agnes Kedzierska Manzon, Viola Teisenhoffer, Rosalind I Hackett, Piotr Cichocki

15:00 - 16:30 | CDWPiA 203

CLOSED PANEL: Religions, worldviews and practices affecting sustainable way of life (Th_3_CD203)

Chair: Heikki Pesonen (University of Helsinki), Laura Wickström (Åbo Akademi University)

CLOSED PANEL: Religions, worldviews and practices affecting sustainable way of life

Authors: Heikki Pesonen, Laura Wickström, Terhi Hannola, Anna Jarske-Fransas

15:00 - 16:30 | CDWPiA 209

CLOSED PANEL: Rethinking Secularization: Insights from the Japanese Context (Th_3_CD209)

Chair: Aya Oba (National Museum of Japanese History)

CLOSED PANEL: Rethinking Secularization: Insights from the Japanese Context

Authors: Aya Oba, Hiroki Tanaka, Yoshiro Terada, Nobuyuki Kojima

15:00 - 16:30 | CDWPiA Assembly Hall A

Insights into the history of the study of religions II (Th_3_CDAHA)

Chair: Paweł Kusiak (Polish Naval Academy)

Polish religious studies: from positivism to humanism. Tradition and the present.

Authors: Jerzy Kojkoł

Polish religious studies and its transformations in the light of publications in the scientific quarterly "Przegląd Religioznawczy – The Religious Studies Review"

Authors: Paweł Kusiak

15:00 - 16:30 | CDWPiA Blue Hall

CLOSED PANEL: Navigating the Boundaries of Religious Identity: Labeling, Secrecy, and Recognition in Minority Communities (Th_3_CDBH)

Chair: Alexander Van Der Haven (University of Bergen)

Closed panel: Navigating the Boundaries of Religious Identity: Labeling, Secrecy, and Recognition in Minority Communities

Authors: Alexander Van Der Haven, James Kapaló, Helmi Halonen, Helge Årsheim

15:00 - 16:30 | CfAS Cinema

FILM: A pot full of dreams: eating in a multi-religious Iran (Th_3_Cinema)

Chair: David Thurfjell (Sodertorn university)

FILM: A pot full of dreams: eating in a multi-religious Iran

Authors: David Thurfjell, Rozbeh Javid

15:00 - 16:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9 101

CLOSED PANEL: Out of Europe, Into Europe: Globalizing East Asian Religions (Th_3_P9101)

Chair: Massimo Introvigne (CESNUR)

CLOSED PANEL: Out of Europe, Into Europe: Globalizing East Asian Religions

Authors: Massimo Introvigne, Mark Nemes, Anne Mette Fisker-Nielsen, Kwangsuk Yoo, Rosita Soryte

15:00 - 16:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9 103

Buddhism and Revolution I (Th_3_P9103)

Chair: Iselin Frydenlund (MF Norwegian School of Theology, Religion and Society), Iselin Frydenlund (MF Norwegian School of Theology, Religion and Society)

The Ghost in the Maṇḍala: Dorjé Shukden in the Revolutionary Remaking (and Remaking Again) of Inner Asia

Authors: Matthew King

Visual Negotiation of Modernity: The Gamrodo Painting at Heungcheonsa Temple as a Discursive Space for Korean Buddhism under Japanese Colonial Rule

Authors: Jihyeong Lee

Buddhification as Future-Making: Buddhist New Youth Movement in 1920s-1930s Republican China

Authors: MING-FENG WU

Engaging for the Common Good in Italy: Studying the Effects of Public Funding on Buddhist Organisations Civic Engagement

Authors: Tiziano Bielli

15:00 - 16:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9 210

CLOSED PANEL: The Local and the Global: Frictions, Negotiations, and Entanglements in Religious Discourses (Th_3_P9210)

Chair: Ulrich Harlass (University of Bremen)

CLOSED PANEL: The Local and the Global: Frictions, Negotiations, and Entanglements in Religious Discourses

Authors: Eva Arnaszus, Ulrich Harlass, Anna Kirchner, Lara Lindhorst, Yan Suarsana, Eva Arnaszus, Ulrich Harlass, Anna Kirchner, Lara Lindhorst, Yan Suarsana, Eva Arnaszus, Ulrich Harlass, Anna Kirchner, Lara Lindhorst, Yan Suarsana

15:00 - 16:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9 310

CLOSED PANEL: Making the Invisible Visible (Again): Perspectives on the work with «religion(s)» in Early Childhood Education (Th_3_P9310)

Chair: Ann-Kathrin Bretfeld-Wolf (Queen Maud University College of Early Childhood Education)

CLOSED PANEL: Making the Invisible Visible (Again): Perspectives on the work with «religion(s)» in Early Childhood Education

Authors: Ann-Kathrin Bretfeld-Wolf, Marie G. Glein, Ine R. Bratsvedal

15:00 - 16:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9 412

Are the Gates Open? The Insider/Outsider Debate in the Study of Esotericism II (Th_3_P9412)

Chair: Adas Diržys (Vytautas Magnus University), Audrius Beinorius (Institute of Asian and transcultural Studies, Vilnius University)

Nuances of Positionality in Fieldwork within Western Sufi Communities

Authors: Oleg Yarosh

Astrologizing Anthropology & Anthropologizing Astrology

Authors: Camille Liederman

Ritual Praxis Inside Out: Tracing Emic-etic continuities in Mandinka divination

Authors: Knut Graw

A Strange Case of Magic: The Conflation of Emic and Etic Perspectives in Peter Hamilton-Giles' Occult Philosophy

Authors: Adas Diržys

15:00 - 16:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9B 106

CLOSED PANEL: Digital Religion and Identity Formation: Polarization, Innovation, and Tradition in Online Religious Discourse (Th_3_P9B106)

Chair: Frederik Elwert (Ruhr University Bochum)

CLOSED PANEL: Digital Religion and Identity Formation: Polarization, Innovation, and Tradition in Online Religious Discourse

Authors: Christoph Guenther, Lina Rodenhausen, Ariane Kovac, Jasmin Eder, Frederik Elwert

15:00 - 16:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9B 205

Maintenance of Power in Catholicism – Strategies and Tensions (Th_3_P9B205)

Chair: Anne Koch (University of Freiburg), Katarzyna Zielińska (Jagiellonian University)

Strategies and tensions of Catholicism in Latin America: the case of Uruguay

Authors: Carolina Greising

Canon Law as a Power Maintenance Tool: A Case Study

Authors: Barbara Krawcowicz

A Church at War with the War on Drugs: A Political Theology of the Salvation of Souls

Authors: Rhoderick John Abellanosa

15:00 - 16:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9B 206

Islam's entanglements in political narratives (Th_3_P9B206)

Chair: Tadeas Vala (Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies, University of Pardubice and Department of Political Science, University of Hradec Kralove)

"Do They Have to Be German?": The Intersection of Migration and Conversion Experiences among Muslim Converts in Germany

Authors: Tomoyuki Wada

Sectarian Networks and Shi'i Studies: A Case Study of Ḥishām b. Ḥakam and Ḥishām b. Sālim al-Jawālīqī

Authors: Hadi Gerami

Contextualizing Heresy: Political and Social Dimensions of Accusations in the Inquisition and Mihna

Authors: Nargiz Mammadli

"Trilogy": Understanding Allah, the Quran, Muhammad, and the Sunnah from the Perspective of the Anti-Islamic Center for the Study of Political Islam

Authors: Tadeáš Vala

15:00 - 16:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9B 303

Rethinking Motherhood in Religion (Th_3_P9B303)

Chair: Dana Ran-Margulies (Tel Aviv University)

Possessed Women and Mothers of Christ: The Role of Gender in Religion Bound Syndromes at Sacred Sites

Authors: Natalia Grabke

Maternal Virginity According to the Church Fathers in Fourth-Century Rome

Authors: Dana Margulies

15:00 - 16:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9B 306

Tribal and gender identities in South Asia II (Th_3_P9B306)

Chair: Laboni Akter (University of Liberal Arts Bangladesh (ULAB))

Religion, Memory and Space: Spatial Patterning of Mandi villages in Madhupur, Bangladesh

Authors: Kabya Krittika

Celebrating Diversity: Socio-economic and Cultural Significance of Kottankulangara Chamayavilakku Festival in Keralam, India

Authors: Sourav V, Mohamed Rashid VP, Bangalore Morarji

Language, Religion, and Beliefs of the Mandi People: The Conflict of Tradition and Modernity

Authors: Laboni Akter

15:00 - 16:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9B 401

CLOSED PANEL: Colonial Encounters: Hellenistic Jewish Perspectives on Greek Religion and Colonial Narratives (Th_3_P9B401)

Chair: Agata Grzybowska-Wiatrak (Harvard University)

CLOSED PANEL: Colonial Encounters: Hellenistic Jewish Perspectives on Greek Religion and Colonial Narratives

Authors: Agata Grzybowska-Wiatrak, Scott Harris, Oana Capatina, Xavier Lafontaine

16:45 - 18:15 | Auditorium Maximum Large Hall

EASR Panel (Th_4_AMLH)

Chair: Milda Alisauskiene (Vytautas Magnus University), Rosalind I Hackett (University of Tennessee), Michael Pye , Joram Tarusarira (University of Groningen)

EASR plenary panel: The future of the EASR in and out of Europe: 25th anniversary panel discussion

18:30 - 20:30 | Auditorium Maximum Exhibition Room B

EASR General Assembly and Celebration (Th_4_AMERB)

29 August 2025

09:00 - 10:30 | Auditorium Maximum Medium Hall A

CLOSED PANEL: Narrating War, Translating Religion through Wartime Experiences (Fr_1_AMMHA)

Chair: Madoka INOUE (Seisen University)

CLOSED PANEL: Narrating War, Translating Religion through Wartime Experiences

Authors: Madoka INOUE, Go KOSHINO, Yuko Kambara, Sanami TAKAHASHI, Hisako KATO, Madoka INOUE, Go KOSHINO, Yuko Kambara, Sanami TAKAHASHI, Hisako KATO

09:00 - 10:30 | Auditorium Maximum Medium Hall B

CLOSED PANEL: Crossing boundaries in yoga-studies: Understanding yoga in multi- and interdisciplinary research (Fr_1_AMMHB)

Chair: Anna-Pya Sjodin (Umea University), Pawel Odyniec (Karlstad University)

Closed panel: Crossing boundaries in yoga-studies: Understanding yoga in multi- and interdisciplinary research

Authors: Anna-Pya Sjodin, Camilla von Below, Malin Fitger, Pawel Odyniec, Marianne Qvortrup Fibiger

09:00 - 10:30 | Auditorium Maximum Seminar Room

CLOSED PANEL: Predictive processing in the study of religion (Fr_1_AMSR)

Chair: Uffe Schjoedt (Aarhus University)

CLOSED PANEL: Predictive processing in the study of religion

Authors: Uffe Schjoedt, Jesper Soerensen, Jeppe Sinding Jensen, Benjamin Purzycki

09:00 - 10:30 | Auditorium Maximum Small Hall

Rethinking the History of Religious Studies: Beyond Post-Colonialism and Eurocentrism V (Fr_1_AMSH)

Chair: Michael Pye , Augusto Cosentino (University of Trieste)

Rainbow histories and Rainbow Futures: reckoning with Sid Rawle

Authors: Theo Wildcroft

The Comparative Approach of Herbert of Cherbury's De Religione Gentilium

Authors: Roccolorenzo Scianguetta

Chasing Tigers through Mantras: Magic in the Sundarbans Mangrove Forest of Bangladesh

Authors: Jane Orton

09:00 - 10:30 | CDWPiA 109

CLOSED PANEL: Space, Landscapes, Bodies, Worlds: Negotiating Religion and Spatiality in the Field of Geographies of Religion (Fr_1_CD109)

Chair: Diana Lunkwitz (FAU Erlangen-Nürnberg)

CLOSED PANEL: Space, Landscapes, Bodies, Worlds: Negotiating Religion and Spatiality in the Field of Geographies of Religion

Authors: Diana Lunkwitz, Franziska Sandkühler, Yasmin Koppen

09:00 - 10:30 | CDWPiA 12

Studying Religion(s), Motherhood and Mothering in Interconnected Worlds V (Fr_1_CD12)

Chair: Joanna Krotofil (Jagiellonian University)

Mesopotamian Maternal goddesses as agents of power, order and chaos: connecting textual, material and iconographic sources (IV-II millennia BC)

Authors: Vera Goncalves

Synthesis and Concluding Remarks to the Open Panel on Studying Religion(s), Motherhood and Mothering in Interconnected Worlds

Authors: Florence Pasche Guignard

General Roundtable and Discussion with Panelists of all sessions on "Studying Religion(s), Motherhood and Mothering in Interconnected Worlds" (with Panelists and Convenors)

09:00 - 10:30 | CDWPiA 209

Motherhood, Religion and Nationalism in a Global Religious History (Fr_1_CD209)

Chair: Judith Bachmann (Department of Religious Studies and Intercultural Theology, Faculty of Theology, University of Heidelberg),
Jessica Albrecht (FAU Erlangen-Nuremberg), Anna Kirchner (Heidelberg University)

Beyond Submission and Resistance: The Liminal Feminine in Deccan's Religious and Poetic Discourse through Māh Laqā Bāī Čandā

Authors: Maham Naseer

Bodies of Refusal: Maternal Agency, Belonging, and the Social Stakes of Non-Circumcision among Jewish Israelis

Authors: Nina Rageth

Motherhood, Faith, and Nation: Feminising Igwebuiké in the Neo-Biafran Women's Movement

Authors: Gloria Adichie

The categorization of motherhood in the so-called 'global South' – A critique of Eurocentric text production in German Protestant development work

Authors: Doris Guenther-Kriegel

09:00 - 10:30 | CDWPiA Assembly Hall A

Novel methodological approaches in empirical study of religion (Fr_1_CDAHA)

Chair: Linnea Rowlett (Network on Culture)

Entangled Realities: Ibn Arabi, Sufism, and Posthumanist Methodologies through Barad's Lens

Authors: Sahar ElAsad

Space Age Visions: Translating Esoteric Wisdom in Modern Brazil

Authors: Kelly Hayes

The Hybrid and Interactive Model of Socio-Economic Metabolism: Connecting Religion and Climate in Early Sixteenth Century Strasbourg

Authors: Linnea Rowlatt

09:00 - 10:30 | CDWPiA Assembly Hall B

Bridging Boundaries: Digital Humanities and Religious Studies I (Fr_1_CDAHb)

Chair: Frederik Elwert (Ruhr University Bochum)

Serving the study of religion: research infrastructures as a shared space for Digital Humanities and Religious Studies

Authors: Francesca Cadeddu

Resilient Septuagint – a case study

Authors: Davide Dainese, Marco Zanella

Linking though what? Promises and perils of linked data in the study of religion/s

Authors: Frederik Elwert

09:00 - 10:30 | CDWPiA Blue Hall

CLOSED PANEL Between Intensification and Relativisation: Patterns of Religious Change among Syrian Refugees in Germany, Austria and Switzerland (Fr_1_CDBH)

Chair: Ahmed Ajil (University of Lucerne)

CLOSED PANEL Between Intensification and Relativisation: Patterns of Religious Change among Syrian Refugees in Germany, Austria and Switzerland

Authors: Ahmed Ajil, Alexander Kenneth-Nagel, Christoph Novak, Claudia Rammelt

09:00 - 10:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9 101

Death: Out of church and out of Europe (Fr_1_P9101)

Chair: Manuel Volkmann (Studies of Religion / University of Freiburg (Germany))

The Dynamics of Law and Folklore: The History of Okinawa's Aerial Sepulture and Bone Washing under Japan's Graveyards and Burials Act

Authors: Saaya Ushikubo

Taboo of contemplating dying: Difficulties in introducing Advance Care Planning to Japan □□□□□

Authors: Takako OKINAGA

Animal Death Rituals in Korea

Authors: Dominik Rutana

Non-church funeral culture as non*religious death rituals?

Authors: Manuel Volkmann

09:00 - 10:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9 103

Buddhism and Revolution II (Fr_1_P9103)

Chair: Iselin Frydenlund (MF Norwegian School of Theology, Religion and Society), Iselin Frydenlund (MF Norwegian School of Theology, Religion and Society)

Buddhism and revolution: a theoretical approach

Authors: Iselin Frydenlund

The Saya-Dakar Project: A Myanmar Military Strategy for Co-opting and Controlling the Buddhist Sangha in Myanmar since after-1988

Authors: Phyo Wai

Buddhist Militias: Emerging Opponents to Myanmar's 2021 Spring Revolution

Authors: Aung Tun, Iselin Frydenlund

09:00 - 10:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9 210

CLOSED PANEL: Religion and Global Futures: Critical Reflections on Entangled Trajectories (Fr_1_P9210)

Chair: Paula Schrode (University of Bayreuth)

CLOSED PANEL: Religion and Global Futures: Critical Reflections on Entangled Trajectories

Authors: Eva Spies, Paula Schrode, Asaf Augusto, Ken Chitwood, Benjamin Kirby

09:00 - 10:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9 310

Non-eurocentric religious education. Insights, comparison, and challenges from global contexts I (Fr_1_P9310)

Chair: Karna Kjeldsen (University College Absalon), Giovanni Lapis (Ca Foscari University of Venice)

Non-eurocentric religious education. Preliminary consideration from theoretical and practical standpoints

Authors: Giovanni Lapis, Karna Kjeldsen

Decolonising Religious Studies: Challenging the World Religions Paradigm in the South African Educational Context

Authors: Beverly Vencatsamy

Reinventing Religious Education within the Public Education System: A Case Study of Buddhist Education in a Secondary School in Hong Kong

Authors: Yulin Lu

Practice of Ethics Education in an 'interreligious' learning environment

Authors: Karsten Lehmann

09:00 - 10:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9B 105

ROUNDTABLE: Religion and Gender Equality around the Baltic Sea (Fr_1_P9B105)

Chair: Amy Allocco (Elon University)

ROUNDTABLE: Religion and Gender Equality around the Baltic Sea

Authors: Milda Alisauskienė, Amy Allocco, Jenny Berglund, Morta Vidunaite, Katarzyna Zielińska

09:00 - 10:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9B 106

The Divination of Technological Evolution – Transhumanism as a New Religious Universalism (Fr_1_P9B106)

Chair: Fryderyk Kwiatkowski (AGH University of Krakow)

Postmodernity and Diffused New Religiosity

Authors: IOANNIS XIDAKIS

Eternal Liberation or Damnation? Mind Uploading in "Black Mirror" (2011–)

Authors: Fryderyk Kwiatkowski

09:00 - 10:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9B 205

CLOSED PANEL: EIDOLA. The constitutive rhetoric of embedded materiality between religion, culture, and society I. Discourses, representations, and forms of categorization (Fr_1_P9B205)

Chair: Giuseppina Paola Viscardi (Alma Mater University of Bologna)

CLOSED PANEL: EIDOLA. The constitutive rhetoric of embedded materiality between religion, culture, and society I. Discourses, representations, and forms of categorization

Authors: Giuseppina Paola Viscardi, Caterina Borgatti, Angela Bernardo, Eleonora Minna

09:00 - 10:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9B 306

CLOSED PANEL Early Modern Jesuit Cultures of Translation I (Fr_1_P9B306)

Chair: Mirosława Hanusiewicz-Lavallee (John Paul II Catholic University of Lublin)

CLOSED PANEL Early Modern Jesuit Cultures of Translation I

Authors: Mirosława Hanusiewicz-Lavallee, Magdalena Komorowska, Yoshimi Orii, Albert Kozik

09:00 - 10:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9B 401

CLOSED PANEL: The interplay between religion and politics in antiquity: the construction and rejection of the religion of the Eastern Other (Fr_1_P9B401)

Chair: Darja Sterbenc Erker (Humboldt University of Berlin)

CLOSED PANEL: The interplay between religion and politics in antiquity: the construction and rejection of the religion of the Eastern Other

Authors: Darja Sterbenc Erker , Marika Rauhala , Suvi Kuokkanen , Marja-Leena Hanninen

10:30 - 11:00 | Auditorium Maximum Level -1

Coffee Break

11:00 - 12:00 | Auditorium Maximum Large Hall

KEYNOTE LECTURE. Philippe Borgeaud: Provoking the “Beyond”. Ritual play in a comparative approach (Fr_1_AMLH)

Chair: Philippe Borgeaud (Université de Genève)

Provoking the “Beyond”. Ritual play in a comparative approach

Philippe Borgeaud

12:00 - 13:00 | Auditorium Maximum Level -1

Lunch Break

13:00 - 14:30 | Auditorium Maximum Exhibition Room A

Concepts, categories and religion: Case studies in and out of Europe (Fr_2_CDGH)

Chair: Erin Prophet (Assistant Professor, East Carolina University)

“Religion” as Understood by Young People in Germany. A Case for Micro-level Research on Everyday Concepts

Authors: Sophie Faulstich

“Irrational” in Germany and Japan at the Beginning of the 20th Century

Authors: SHUNICHI MIYAJIMA

Freedom and Determinism in Post-Darwinian Evolutionary Theologies

Authors: Erin Prophet

13:00 - 14:30 | Auditorium Maximum Medium Hall A

ROUNDTABLE: Experience of Implementing the Principles of Freedom of Religion in European and Non-European Contexts (Fr_2_AMMHA)

Chair: Liudmyla Fylypovych (Religious Studies Dpt. at Philosophy Institute of NASU)

ROUNDTABLE: Experience of Implementing the Principles of Freedom of Religion in European and Non-European Contexts

Authors: Milda Alisauskiene, Mykola Ptytsia

13:00 - 14:30 | Auditorium Maximum Medium Hall B

ROUNDTABLE Spiritual Abuse and Sexualised Violence in Religion: Crossing the Boundaries of Knowing and Believing (Fr_2_AMMHB)

Chair: Theo Wildcroft (Open University, UK)

ROUNDTABLE Spiritual Abuse and Sexualised Violence in Religion: Crossing the Boundaries of Knowing and Believing

Authors: Theodora Wildcroft, Aled Thomas, Carole Cusack, Milda Alisauskiene

13:00 - 14:30 | Auditorium Maximum Seminar Room

Religion and Madness: Contestation and Discernment (Fr_2_AMSR)

Chair: Richard Saville-Smith , Ann Taves (University of California at Santa Barbara)

Mad or Divine: Recognition of “Crazy” Women as Messengers from the Dead

Authors: Alyson Prude

Supernaturality, cosmological shift, and contestations around religious identity in an indigenous community

Authors: Ananya Pattnaik

Mental Illness or Religious Mania: The Pathologization of Native American Religions and Cultures in the Assimilation Era

Authors: Sarah Dees

13:00 - 14:30 | Auditorium Maximum Small Hall

CLOSED PANEL: Decentering Europe through a Global History of Religion I: The History of the Study of Religion (Fr_2_AMSH)

Chair: Judith Bachmann (Department of Religious Studies and Intercultural Theology, Faculty of Theology, University of Heidelberg), Judith Bachmann (University of Heidelberg)

CLOSED PANEL Decentering Europe through a Global History of Religion I: The History of the Study of Religion

Authors: Julian Strube, Michael Bergunder, Christian Meyer, Giovanni Maltese, Christoph Kleine, Judith Bachmann

13:00 - 14:30 | CDWPiA 103

CLOSED PANEL: Religion and Conspiracy Theories: Rethinking a Complex Relation (Fr_2_CD103)

Chair: Loïc Bawidamann (University of Zürich)

CLOSED PANEL: Religion and Conspiracy Theories: Rethinking a Complex Relation

Authors: Loïc Bawidamann, Daria Hartmann, Mariëlle Hesselink, Marie Jäckel, David Robertson, Katja Valaskivi

13:00 - 14:30 | CDWPiA 109

ROUNDTABLE: Modern South Asian Thinkers on Religion: Receptivity and Resistance (Fr_2_CD109)

Chair: Abraham Khan (University of Toronto)

ROUNDTABLE: Modern South Asian Thinkers on Religion: Receptivity and Resistance

Authors: Asha Mukherjee, Abraham Khan, Agnieszka Rostalska, Terence Samuel, Ferdinando Sardella, Asha Mukherjee, Abraham Khan, Agnieszka Rostalska, Terence Samuel, Ferdinando Sardella

13:00 - 14:30 | CDWPiA 12

CLOSED PANEL: Religiosity, Digital Media and Politics from Below in Africa and in Asia I (Fr_2_CD12)

Chair: Kae Amo (Kyoto University, Graduate School of Asian and African Area Studies)

CLOSED PANEL: Religiosity, Digital Media and Politics from Below in Africa and in Asia I

Authors: Kae Amo, Yuko Tobinai, Yo Nonaka

13:00 - 14:30 | CDWPiA 203

CLOSED PANEL: Mapping Religion: Tools, Methods, Perspectives I (Fr_2_CD203)

Chair: Evelyn Reuter (University of the Bundeswehr Munich)

CLOSED PANEL: Mapping Religion: Tools, Methods, Perspectives

Authors: Evelyn Reuter, Robert Langer, Kim Knott, Isabella Schwaderer, Benedikt Römer, Tuomas Martikainen, Anna Bigelow

13:00 - 14:30 | CDWPiA 209

CLOSED PANEL Imaging Religion East and West—From Manga and Comics to the Avant-Garde (Fr_2_CD209)

Chair: Mark MacWilliams (St. Lawrence University)

CLOSED PANEL Imaging Religion East and West—From Manga and Comics to the Avant-Garde

Authors: Mark MacWilliams, Kikuko Hirafuji, Paulina Niechcial

13:00 - 14:30 | CDWPiA Assembly Hall A

Scholar positionality in the study of religions I (Fr_2_CDAHA)

Chair: Tiina Mahlamäki (University of Turku)

From Apparent Imposter to Affirmed Expert: Navigating Positionality in Islamic Studies Scholarship

Authors: Cherry Muslim

Interreligious Conflict as Definitional Dispute

Authors: Chad Bauman

The multiple relationships between researcher and writing - creative writing as a researcher's tool

Authors: Tiina Mahlamäki

13:00 - 14:30 | CDWPiA Assembly Hall B

Bridging Boundaries: Digital Humanities and Religious Studies II (Fr_2_CDAHB)

Chair: Frederik Elwert (Ruhr University Bochum)

Mobile phone data to understand All saints' day celebrations at Swedish cemeteries, how useful is it?

Authors: Wilhelm Kardemark

Paths of the Gaze: an Interdisciplinary Approach to Religious Experiences in Catholic Sanctuaries

Authors: FEDERICO RUOZZI, Marco Papasidero

Textual Analysis of Bereavement Narratives in Japan Following the Great East Japan Earthquake

Authors: Rie Wada

Digitalization of Atheist Activism in Pakistan: PhD student workshops

Authors: Mustafa Kamal

13:00 - 14:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9 101

CLOSED PANEL: The End of the World from the Universal to the Particular: Interdisciplinary Perspectives on End Time Narratives (ETNs) (Fr_2_P9101)

Chair: Lauritz Petersen (Aarhus University)

CLOSED PANEL: The End of the World from the Universal to the Particular: Interdisciplinary Perspectives on End Time Narratives (ETNs)

Authors: Jesper Sørensen, Lauritz Petersen, Christopher Hartney

13:00 - 14:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9 103

CLOSED PANEL: Representation and role of Tibetan Buddhism in narratives about Tibet: the first Czechoslovaks on their way to Lhasa (Fr_2_P9103)

Chair: Kamila Hladikova (Palacký University, Faculty of Arts)

Representation and role of Tibetan Buddhism in narratives about Tibet: the first Czechoslovaks on their way to Lhasa

Authors: Kamila Hladikova

13:00 - 14:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9 210

CLOSED PANEL: Positionality in the Study of Religion between Commitment and Self-Restraint: Reflections and Experiences (Fr_2_P9210)

Chair: Edith Franke (University of Marburg)

Positionality in the Study of Religion between Commitment and Self-Restraint: Reflections and Experiences

Authors: Edith Franke, Gritt Klinkhammer, Dorothea Lueddeckens, Monika Schrimpf

13:00 - 14:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9 310

Non-eurocentric religious education. Insights, comparison, and challenges from global contexts II (Fr_2_P9310)

Chair: Karna Kjeldsen (University College Absalon), Giovanni Lapis (Ca Foscari University of Venice)

Cultural Heritage and Religion and Worldviews education

Authors: Oddrun Marie Hovde Braten, Nils Hallvard Korsvoll

"Bridging Cultures in Education: Swiss Student Teachers' Engagement with Eastern and Western Philosophies"

Authors: Bernhard Rotzer

A 'Perspectives Approach' to Teaching Religion and Worldview: The New Dutch Curriculum for Secondary Education

Authors: Markus Davidsen

13:00 - 14:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9 412

Political Regimes of religious Plurality – Focusing on the underlying Concepts of Religion II (Fr_2_P9412)

Chair: Karsten Lehmann (KPH Wien Krems)

Witnessing Faith: Religious Plurality and the Negotiation of "Conversion" in Norwegian Courtrooms

Authors: Olav Børreson Fossdal

The definition of religious association under Polish law as a challenge for small religious groups – a research report.

Authors: Andrzej Ludwik Zoll

13:00 - 14:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9B 105

ROUNDTABLE: Beyond Western Europe? Thirty years of the study of religion in Eastern and Central Europe (Fr_2_P9B105)

Chair: Agata Rejowska (Polish Academy of Sciences)

ROUNDTABLE: Beyond Western Europe? Thirty years of the study of religion in Eastern and Central Europe

Authors: Eileen Barker , Irena Borowik, Gergely Rosta, Siniša Zrinščak, Agata Rejowska

13:00 - 14:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9B 106

CLOSED PANEL: Artificial Intelligence and Religion in an Interconnected World: Case Studies (Fr_2_P9B106)

Chair: Rosita Soryte (CESNUR)

CLOSED PANEL: Artificial Intelligence and Religion in an Interconnected World: Case Studies

Authors: Rosita Soryte, Jamie Cresswell, Carlo Abrate, Susan Palmer, Massimo Introvigne

13:00 - 14:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9B 205

CLOSED PANEL: EIDOLA: The constitutive rhetoric of embedded materiality between religion, culture, and society II. Institutions, authorities, and power (Fr_2_P9B205)

Chair: Gaetano Spampinato (University of Bern)

CLOSED PANEL: The constitutive rhetoric of embedded materiality between religion, culture, and society II. Institutions, authorities, and power

Authors: Francesca Sbardella, Jeppe Sinding Jensen, Jesper Sørensen, Caterina Fratesi

13:00 - 14:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9B 206

Judaism in Europe and beyond (Fr_2_P9B206)

Chair: Malin Norrby (Soedertoern University)

The Constructed Image of Rav Kook: An Analysis of Religious Zionism's Historiography and Post-1970s Representations of Rav Kook

Authors: Yuta Inuzuka

'Now Go and Smite Amalek': Socialization, Radicalization, and Identity in the Chabad Movement

Authors: Hannes Sonnenschein

Jewish Philosophical Heritage as Baltic Second Culture: dissemination and reception of Jewish thought through Samizdat in The Late Soviet Period

Authors: Malin Norrby

13:00 - 14:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9B 306

CLOSED PANEL Early Modern Jesuit Cultures of Translation II (Fr_2_P9B306)

Chair: Katja Triplett (Leipzig University)

CLOSED PANEL Early Modern Jesuit Cultures of Translation II

Authors: Katja Triplett, Mirosława Hanusiewicz-Lavallee, Michał Nowakowski, Mari Kurokawa

13:00 - 14:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9B 401

Ancient Rome and beyond (Fr_2_P9B401)

Chair: Fangfang Tian (Sapienza University of Rome)

Images of Power: Portraits of Roman Emperors from the First to Fifth C.

Authors: Amelia Brown

The cults of Vesta in Roman Empire: From the Perspective of Julia Domna

Authors: Fangfang Tian, Fangfang Tian

13:00 - 14:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9B 404

Religion, coping and wellbeing on and beyond Earth (Fr_2_P9B404)

Chair: David William Kim (Australian National University)

Between preaching and psychoanalysis, or How far is the consulting room door from the confessional door?

Authors: Ivana Ryska Vajdova

Psycho-Religious Experiences in Deep Space History: Astronaut's Latent Countermeasures for Human Risk Management

Authors: David William Kim

14:30 - 15:00 | Auditorium Maximum Level -1

Coffee Break

15:00 - 16:30 | Auditorium Maximum Conference Room

Religion, war, activism in Central and Eastern Europe (Fr_3_AMCR)

Chair: Sophie Zviadadze (Ilia State University)

Preservation of Identity and Freedom of Activity of Religious Minorities in War Conditions in Ukraine

Authors: Yaroslav Yuvsechko

Reshaping Religious Symbols in Civic Protests in Current Georgia - From Controversy to Solidarity Performance

Authors: Sophie Zviadadze

15:00 - 16:30 | Auditorium Maximum Exhibition Room A

Concepts, categories and religion: Case studies in Asian Religion and Beyond (Fr_3_CDGH)

Chair: Alessandro Giudice (University of Cagliari)

'Sampradaya and sampradayik knowledge transmission among Gaudiya Vaishnavas: Prioritizing alternate categories within academic understandings of Hinduism'

Authors: Santanu Dey

Critical Reflections on Translation: Hope as Word and Concept in Christianity and Buddhism

Authors: Paul Hedges

Folk Etymology as a Building Block in the Religious and Normative Language: The Case of Dharmaśāstra

Authors: Alessandro Giudice

15:00 - 16:30 | Auditorium Maximum Medium Hall A

CLOSED PANEL: Religion in times of social crises and war: from fundamentalism to rethinking (Fr_3_AMMHA)

Chair: Hanna Kulahina-Stadnichenko (G.S.Skovoroda Institute of Philosophy of the National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine; St. Ignatios⁵⁵ University College, Stockholm)

Closed Panel

Authors: Hanna Kulahina-Stadnichenko, Tetiana Havryliuk, Yuliia Shabanova

15:00 - 16:30 | Auditorium Maximum Medium Hall B

Issues in Yoga Studies (Fr_3_AMMHB)

Chair: Tova Olsson (Umea University)

Listening to Kinaesthetic Experiences: A Meta-Praxis of Phenomenology and Field Recording in Yoga Research

Authors: Marissa Clarke

Parapsychological Kundalini Experiments: Hiroshi Motoyama's Contribution to Empirical Kundalini Research

Authors: Marleen Thaler

Relationships between Yoga and Christianity in Finland since the 1960s. An overview of processes and discourses of demonization, secularization, popularization, and (re) sacralization.

Authors: Tommy Ramstedt

The Swami of Småland: creating a Scandinavian Yoga and Meditation School

Authors: Tova Olsson

15:00 - 16:30 | Auditorium Maximum Small Hall

CLOSED PANEL Decentering Europe through a Global History of Religion II: Institutional Flows (Fr_3_AMSH)

Chair: Adrian Hermann (University of Bonn)

CLOSED PANEL Decentering Europe through a Global History of Religion II: Institutional Flows

Authors: Giovanni Maltese, Jörg Haustein, Daniel Cyranka, Judith Bachmann, Adrian Hermann

15:00 - 16:30 | CDWPiA 103

CLOSED PANEL: A Promised Land?! Perspectives on the U.S. As a Religious Influence in an Interconnected World (Fr_3_CD103)

Chair: Ariane Kovac (Leipzig University), Dunja Sharbat Dar (Ruhr University Bochum)

CLOSED PANEL A Promised Land?! Perspectives on the U.S. As a Religious Influence in an Interconnected World

Authors: Ariane Kovac, Dunja Sharbat Dar, Thorsten Wettich, Anna Kira Hippert

15:00 - 16:30 | CDWPiA 109

CLOSED PANEL: Christmas Unwrapped: Exploring Secular Forms of Christmas in the Twentieth Century (Fr_3_CD109)

Chair: Mariam Goshadze (Leipzig University), Bernadett Bigalke (Leipzig University), Katharina Neef (Leipzig University)

CLOSED PANEL Christmas Unwrapped: Exploring Secular Forms of Christmas in the Twentieth Century

Authors: Mariam Goshadze, Bernadett Bigalke, Katharina Neef

15:00 - 16:30 | CDWPiA 12

Rethinking the Feminine in Religion (Fr_3_CD12)

Chair: Nicole Maria Bauer (University of Graz)

Beyond 'Marriage over Mission': Female Missionary Participation in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints

Authors: Maja Roman

Rethinking Catholic Women. Gender Discourses and the Construction of Female Identity in Contemporary Roman Catholic Groups in Austria

Authors: Nicole Maria Bauer

15:00 - 16:30 | CDWPiA 203

CLOSED PANEL: Mapping Religion: Tools, Methods, Perspectives II (Fr_3_CD203)

Chair: Evelyn Reuter (University of the Bundeswehr Munich), Tuomas Martikainen (University of Turku), Anna Bigelow (Stanford)

University)

15:00 - 16:30 | CDWPiA 209

ROUNDTABLE: Memefication of “religion” beyond borders (Fr_3_CD209)

Chair: Essi Mäkelä (University of Helsinki)

ROUNDTABLE: Memefication of “religion” beyond borders

Authors: Essi Mäkelä, Katri Ratia, Hanna Gebraad, Carole Cusack, Markus Davidsen

15:00 - 16:30 | CDWPiA Assembly Hall A

Scholar positionality in the study of religions II (Fr_3_CDAHA)

Chair: Eileen Barker (London School of Economics and INFORM)

Hermeneutical Triangle: Insights from Buddhist Scholar-Practitioners

Authors: Jin Jr Shi

"Not talking about, but talking with people" - The empirical research field and its challenges for Religious Studies

Authors: Elena Maria Scherer

Making a Difference To what extent should social scientists get their hands dirty?

Authors: Eileen Barker

15:00 - 16:30 | CDWPiA Blue Hall

CLOSED PANEL: Understanding the pre-Hispanic Nahua religion through the category of teotl and the native notions of sacred (Fr_3_CDBH)

Chair: Agnieszka Brylak (University of Warsaw)

CLOSED PANEL: Understanding the pre-Hispanic Nahua religion through the category of teotl and the native notions of sacred

Authors: Agnieszka Brylak, Julia Madajczak, Katarzyna Szoblik, Bérénice Gaillemain, Gabriela Piszczatowska

15:00 - 16:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9 101

CLOSED PANEL: The End of the World from the Universal to the Particular: Interdisciplinary Perspectives on End Time Narratives (ETNs) II : Case Studies (Fr_3_P9101)

Chair: Lauritz Petersen (Aarhus University, Department of the Study of Religion, Denmark)

CLOSED PANEL: The End of the World from the Universal to the Particular: Interdisciplinary Perspectives on End Time Narratives (ETNs) II : Case Studies

Authors: Jesper Soerensen, Jessica Wilson, Armin W. Geertz

15:00 - 16:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9 103

History of Buddhism revisited (Fr_3_P9103)

Chair: Kaie Mochizuki (Minobusan University), Prakriti Mukherjee (University of Macau)

Yi fofa yanjiu fofa – Yinshun and critical Buddhist studies ‘from within’

Authors: Paweł Zygałło

Sagacious patience: revisiting the teaching of patience in the context of early Buddhist teachings

Authors: Sabin Maharjan

Some Meanings of Anthology in the history of Buddhism

Authors: Kaie Mochizuki

15:00 - 16:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9 210

CLOSED PANEL Between Relativism and Reproach: Making Value Judgements about Human Flourishing (Fr_3_P9210)

Chair: Derrick Lemons (The University of Georgia)

CLOSED PANEL Between Relativism and Reproach: Making Value Judgements about Human Flourishing

Authors: Derrick Lemons, Susie Trifitt, Viola Clark, Loïc Bawidamann

15:00 - 16:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9 310

Religious education in Europe: Beyond Christianity (Fr_3_P9310)

Chair: Danial Ghasempour (Stockholm University)

Islamic Education at the Crossroads of Cultures: The Case of Lithuania

Authors: Gintarė Lukoševičiūtė

The role of Tatar periodicals in the dissemination of knowledge about Islam among Polish-Lithuanian Muslim Tatars in the interwar period. Analysis of the content and usefulness of the published materials

Authors: Agata S. Nalborczyk

Decolonizing Religious Education in Sweden

Authors: Emma Sandberg Andrasko

The Evolution of the Portrayal of Islam in Swedish Educational Films, 1960–2023

Authors: Danial Ghasempour

15:00 - 16:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9 412

Religion/s, Science/s, and the Public. An entangled history of popularisation, meaning-making, and social structures (Fr_3_P9412)

Chair: Elena Schaa

When the global went local and the study of religion/s went public. Ideals of popularisation and modes of meaning-making in research on religious diversity.

Authors: Anne Beutter

Popularization and Engaged Scholarship in the Study of Religion

Authors: Nathal Dessing

An Entangled History of Popularization of Vegetarianism in Modern China

Authors: NAGATANI CHIYOKO

15:00 - 16:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9B 105

Debates about danger and wisdom in relation to contemporary spiritual practices in the western world (Fr_3_P9B105)

Chair: Reet Hiiemae (Estonian Literary Museum)

From Quiverfull to Quitting: A Study of Recent Evangelical Dropout Memoirs

Authors: Helen Traupe

Zen Macrobiotics and its Genealogy: Intersections Between the Dietary Movement and Zen Buddhism in France

Authors: Yasufumi Terumoto

Women's "dangerous" rituals in Estonia

Authors: Reet Hiiemäe

15:00 - 16:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9B 106

ROUNDTABLE: The Rapid Evolution of AI and its Implications for Religion (Fr_3_P9B106)

Chair: Takashi Okinaga (Teikyo University of Science)

ROUNDTABLE: The Rapid Evolution of AI and its Implication for Religion

Authors: Takashi Okinaga, Takeshi Kimura, Kiyonori Nagasaki, Yuri Ishida, Takako Okinaga

15:00 - 16:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9B 205

CLOSED PANEL: EIDOLA. The constitutive rhetoric of embedded materiality between religion, culture, and society III. Objects, architecture, and spatial designs (Fr_3_P9B205)

Chair: Caterina Fratesi (University of Bologna)

CLOSED PANEL: EIDOLA. The constitutive rhetoric of embedded materiality between religion, culture, and society IV. Objects, architecture, and spatial designs

Authors: Caterina Fratesi, Gaetano Spampinato, Maria Chiara Giorda, Silvia Omenetto, Elisabetta Colagrossi

15:00 - 16:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9B 206

CLOSED PANEL: Religion and premodern Iran: internal, external, and intercultural perspectives (Fr_3_P9B206)

Chair: Moritz Maurer (University of Göttingen)

CLOSED PANEL: Religion and premodern Iran: internal, external, and intercultural perspectives

Authors: Moritz Maurer, Ted Good, Thomas Benfey

15:00 - 16:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9B 306

CLOSED PANEL Early Modern Jesuit Cultures of Translation III (Fr_3_P9B306)

Chair: Yoshimi Orii (Keio University)

CLOSED PANEL Early Modern Jesuit Cultures of Translation III

Authors: Yoshimi Orii, Katja Triplett, Sophie Takahashi, Paula Hoyos Hattor

15:00 - 16:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9B 401

The Making of the Contemporary City: Religion, Urban Policies, Management and Ecologies I (Fr_3_P9B401)

Chair: Natalia Zawiejska (Uniwersytet Jagielloński), Łukasz Stypuła (The “Grodzka Gate □ NN Theatre” Centre in Lublin)

Bringing Gods to the Godless Capital: Re-creation of Religious Space in Pyongyang, North Korean capital

Authors: Roman Husarski

Myth and the city: how the ancient myths, either Christian and pre-Christian, inspired the national political discourse in the urban space of East Slavic countries

Authors: Enrique Santos Marinas

Negotiating Religious Ecologies in Pursuit of Economic Justice: A Case Study in Birmingham UK

Authors: Martin Stringer

15:00 - 18:00 | Collegium Paderevianum 9B 404

IAHR Incoming EC Meeting (Fr_3_P9B404)

30 August 2025

09:00 - 10:30 | Auditorium Maximum Exhibition Room A

Language and performativity in religious text (Sa_1_CDGH)

Chair: Ikuko Tsuboko (The University of Tokyo)

Performance and permeability in the speech-event of the Derveni Papyrus

Authors: Attila Egyed

Eternity for a Broken Body?: Refashioned Religious Language in Contemporary Disability Literature in Japan

Authors: Ikuko Tsuboko

09:00 - 10:30 | Auditorium Maximum Medium Hall A

CLOSED PANEL: Muslim religious bureaucracies and governance of Islam in post-communist Eurasia (Sa_1_AMMHA)

Chair: EGDUNAS RACIUS (VYTAUTAS MAGNUS UNIVERSITY), Egdūnas Račius (Vytautas Magnus University)

CLOSED PANEL: Muslim religious bureaucracies and governance of Islam in post-communist Eurasia

Authors: ADRIANA CUPCEA, DANIEL VEKONY, MATEUSZ CHUDZIAK, Egdūnas Račius

09:00 - 10:30 | Auditorium Maximum Medium Hall B

CLOSED PANEL: Performing Filipino Catholicism: Exploring Rituals in Contemporary Spaces for Religious Practices (Sa_1_AMMHB)

Chair: Mark Inigo Tallara (De La Salle University)

CLOSED PANEL: Performing Filipino Catholicism: Exploring Rituals in Contemporary Spaces for Religious Practices

Authors: Bernabe Mijares Jr, Robert John Donesa, Mark Inigo Tallara

09:00 - 10:30 | Auditorium Maximum Seminar Room

ROUNDTABLE: Methods and Perspectives in the Psychology of Religion: An Invitation to Collaboration (Sa_1_AMSR)

Chair: Halina Grzymała-Moszczyńska (International Association for the Psychology of Religion)

ROUNDTABLE: Methods and Perspectives in the Psychology of Religion: An Invitation to Collaboration

Authors: Kevin Ladd, Marta Helena de Freitas, Halina Grzymała-Moszczyńska, David Thurfjell, Kevin Ladd, Marta Helena de Freitas, Halina Grzymała-Moszczyńska, David Thurfjell, Kevin Ladd, Marta Helena de Freitas, Halina Grzymała-Moszczyńska, David Thurfjell

09:00 - 10:30 | Auditorium Maximum Small Hall

CLOSED PANEL Decentring Europe through a Global History of Religion III: Considering Scopes and Scales (Sa_1_AMSH)

Chair: Julian Strube (□University of Goettingen)

CLOSED PANEL Decentring Europe through a Global History of Religion III: Considering Scopes and Scales

Authors: Christoph Kleine, Karenina Kollmar-Paulenz, Julian Strube

09:00 - 10:30 | CDWPiA 103

CLOSED PANEL: The Religion and Social Exclusion Centre of Excellence in Research: presentation of cases and associated challenges in Finland, India, and Peru (Sa_1_CD103)

Chair: Marcus Moberg (Abo Akademi University)

CLOSED PANEL: The Religion and Social Exclusion Centre of Excellence in Research: presentation of cases and associated challenges in Finland, India, and Peru

Authors: Marcus Moberg, Karoliina Dahl, Mohammed Ali Anas, Saheli Guha Neogi Ghatak, ANWESHA GUHA, Pablo Vega

09:00 - 10:30 | CDWPiA 109

CLOSED PANEL: “BuddhistRoad” and Beyond – Connected Religious Histories along the Silk Roads (Sa_1_CD109)

Chair: Carmen Meinert (Ruhr Universitaet Bochum), Emanuela Garatti (Ruhr Universitaet Bochum / Ecole Pratique des Hautes Etudes)

CLOSED PANEL “BuddhistRoad” and Beyond – Connected Religious Histories along the Silk Roads

Authors: Carmen Meinert, Emanuela Garatti, Neil Schmid, Yukiyo Kasai

09:00 - 10:30 | CDWPiA 12

CLOSED PANEL: Women in the Field: Rethinking Ethnography of Religion (Sa_1_CD12)

Chair: Ankana Das (Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi)

CLOSED PANEL: Women in the Field: Rethinking Ethnography of Religion

Authors: Ankana Das, Ananya Pattnaik, Sree Parvathy

09:00 - 10:30 | CDWPiA 203

CLOSED PANEL: Religiosity, Digital Media and Politics from Below in Africa and in Asia II (Sa_1_CD203)

Chair: Kae Amo (Kyoto University, Graduate School of Asian and African Area Studies), Mitsuru Niwa (Kyoai Gakuen University), Naoki Kashio (Keio University), Pascal Bourdeaux (EPHE-PSL)

09:00 - 10:30 | CDWPiA Assembly Hall A

Studying ritual in the past and present (Sa_1_CDAHA)

Chair: HADI GHORBANYAR (Al-Mustafa International University)

Rituals and the Culture of Social Integrity; An Islamic Perspective

Authors: HADI GHORBANYAR

09:00 - 10:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9 101

CLOSED PANEL: Religious Responses to Sociocultural Challenges: East Asian New Religious Movements in Social Transformation (Sa_1_P9101)

Chair: Gyungwon Lee (Daejin University)

CLOSED PANEL: Religious Responses to Sociocultural Challenges: East Asian New Religious Movements in Social Transformation

Authors: Gyungwon Lee, LEE SUHYUN, Donguhn SUH, SHIN AHN, Jason Greenberger, Kyuhan Bae

09:00 - 10:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9 103

Religious Plurality in Korea (Sa_1_P9103)

Chair: Chae Young Kim (Sogang University)

Rejecting the Label of Religion: A Case Study of Daesoon Jinrihoe

Authors: Seonkeun Cha

Forgotten Identities: Immigrant Religions and Multicultural Policy in Korea

Authors: Staci Jin-young Kim, Sang-kyu Park

Interreligious Trends of Family Membership in Contemporary Korea: Tensions, Clashes, New Ways

Authors: Chae Young Kim

09:00 - 10:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9 310

Religion in an artist's perspective (Sa_1_P9310)

Chair: Jonas Otterbeck (The Aga Khan University Institute for the Study of Muslim Civilisations)

Albert Edelfelt and the Jews – from antisemitic prejudice and ignorance to approving neutrality

Authors: Riikka Nikkanen

Why Do Artists Want to Punch Jesus? -The Resurrection of the Author and the Re-enchantment of Contemporary Art-

Authors: Megumi Inamura

Cubism is divine: Rasheed Araeen's Islamic modernism and the rebuttal of Europcentric art history

Authors: Jonas Otterbeck

09:00 - 10:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9 412

Religion and Identity in South Asia (Sa_1_P9412)

Chair: HANJABAM SHUKHDEBA SHARMA (DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WORK, INDIRA GANDHI NATIONAL TRIBAL UNIVERSITY, AMARKANTAK, MADHYA PRADESH, INDIA)

Multicultural Thai Society: Exploring Identities and Adjustments

Authors: Sophana Sricahmpa, Sophana Sricahmpa

Framing the Kumbh Melā as an Authoritative Śāstrik Tradition: Indigenous Narratives and Pamphlet Literature around the Time of Indian Independence

Authors: Tomoka Mushiga

KATHE PONNAS OF MYANMAR AND ITS RELIGIO – CULTURAL LINKAGES WITH MANIPUR OF NORTH EAST INDIA

Authors: HANJABAM SHUKHDEBA, Hanjabam Isworchandra Sharma

09:00 - 10:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9B 106

CLOSED PANEL: Technologies of Enchantment: Intersections between Religion, Art, and Science (Sa_1_P9B106)

Chair: Alexandra Bergholm (University of Helsinki)

CLOSED PANEL: Technologies of Enchantment: Intersections between Religion, Art, and Science

Authors: Alexandra Bergholm, Siria Kohonen, Katri Ratia, Oscar Ortiz-Nieminen

09:00 - 10:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9B 306

CLOSED PANEL: Religion and Its History in Central Europe 1945-1990 (Sa_1_P9B306)

Chair: Bulcsu Hoppal (Corvinus University Budapest)

CLOSED PANEL: Religion and Its History in Central Europe 1945-1990

Authors: Bulcsu Hoppal

09:00 - 10:30 | Collegium Paderevianum 9B 401

The Making of the Contemporary City: Religion, Urban Policies, Management and Ecologies II (Sa_1_P9B401)

Chair: Natalia Zawiejska (Uniwersytet Jagielloński), Łukasz Stypuła (The “Grodzka Gate □ NN Theatre” Centre in Lublin)

Activisms Multiple Ecologies: Rethinking Religion and Activism in Urban Contexts

Authors: Natalia Zawiejska

Reconfiguring and Mobilising Absence: Judaism and Urban Religion in the Post-Socialist Cityscape

Authors: Łukasz Stypuła

10:30 - 11:00 | Auditorium Maximum Level -1

Coffee Break

11:00 - 13:00 | Auditorium Maximum Large Hall

IAHR General Assembly and Congress Closing (Sa_1_AMLH)

13:00 - 15:00 | Auditorium Maximum Level -1

Complimentary Farewell Lunch