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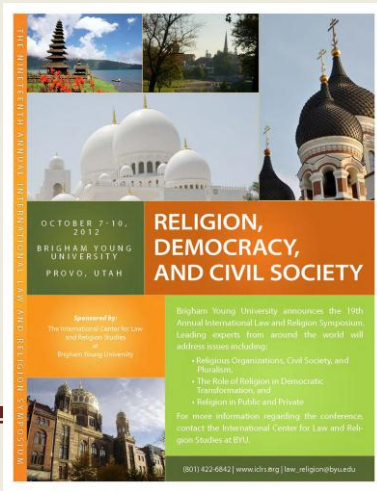
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Symposium participants have included leading religious leaders and educators, key scholars, human rights workers, judges from constitutional and supreme courts, and government leaders, including government ministers charged with handling religious affairs for their countries.

This year, the 19th International Law and Religion Symposium will bring together some 75 delegates from approximately 40 countries to discuss “Religion, Democracy, and Civil Society,” in what promises to be another most memorable event.



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