

**Amity University Uttar Pradesh  
Institute of Advanced Legal Studies**

One-day International Symposium on  
**'Religion and Governance in a Secular State'**

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> May 2011

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SYMPOSIUM SCHEDULE**

**Get-together**

9.30 – 10.00 AM

**Inaugural Session**

10.00-11.30 AM

*Chair:* Professor W. Cole Durham, Jr. : BYU, Provo, US

1. Opening ceremony
2. Welcome & Introduction: Tahir Mahmood
3. Founder-President's blessings
4. Vice-Chancellor's remarks
5. Chair's remarks
6. Gratitude

**Business Session I**

11.30 AM – 1.30 PM

*Chair:* Professor Brett Scharffs : BYU, US

*Speakers* (20 minutes each)

1. Professor John C. Reitz : Iowa, US  
*Transformative Law as a Tool for Governance: Developing Support for Judicial Independence*
2. Professor David Pimentel : Sarajevo, Bosnia-Herzegovina  
*Rethinking Tension between Judicial Independence and Accountability: Role of Court Structure*
3. Professor Johan van der Vyver : Pretoria, South Africa  
*Sovereignty of Religious Institutions in a Secular State: South African Experience*
4. Professor W. Cole Durham, Jr. : BYU, US  
*Secular Hazards to Secularity: How Erosion of Religious Freedom Threatens Secular State*

Discussion (30 minutes)

Chair's remarks (10 minutes)

**Business Session II**

3.00-5.00 PM

*Chair:* Justice Jaspal Singh : AIALS, India

*Speakers* (20 minutes each)

1. Professor Jenik Radon : Colombia, US  
*Comparative Perspectives on Governance and Minority Rights*
2. Professor Brett G. Scharffs : BYU, US  
*Secularism and Secularity: Two Competing Frameworks for Constitutional Analysis*
3. Mr Marshall R. Morrise : BYU, US  
*Web Tools to Enhance Law and Religious Studies*

Discussion (30 minutes)

Chair's remarks (10 minutes)

**Conclusion of Symposium**

4.40-5.00 PM

1. Professor W. Cole Durham, Jr. : BYU, US
2. Professor Tahir Mahmood : AIALS, India

**Closing Tea**

5.00-5.30 PM