

The European Court of Human Rights and the Freedom of Thought, Conscience and Religion:

The 25-Year Legacy of *Kokkinakis*

Central European University, Budapest, Hungary

27-28 May 2017

Organized by:

**Central European University, Hungary;
Université International de Rabat, Morocco;
Erasmus University Rotterdam, Netherlands;
University of Bristol, United Kingdom;
International Center for Law and Religion Studies, J. Reuben Clark Law School,
Brigham Young University, United States**

Saturday, 27 May 2017

08:45 – 09:00

Welcome and Opening

W. Cole Durham, Jr., Susa Young Gates Professor of Law and Founding Director, International Center for Law and Religion Studies, J. Reuben Clark Law School, Brigham Young University, United States

Jeroen Temperman, Associate Professor of Public International Law; Deputy Head, Department of International and European Union Law, Erasmus School of Law, Erasmus University Rotterdam, Netherlands
“Brief Background Sketch and Aims of the Conference, Including Update on Intended Conference Output: *The Kokkinakis Papers*”

09:00 – 11:00

Panel 1: Setting the Scene

Speakers:

Carolyn Evans (via Zoom), Melbourne Law School, University of Melbourne, Australia

“Freedom of Religion or Belief in the ECHR before *Kokkinakis*”

T. Jeremy Gunn, Professor of Law and Political Science, Université International de Rabat, Morocco

“*Kokkinakis*: a Split Legacy”

Sir Malcolm D. Evans, Chair, UN Subcommittee on Prevention of Torture; Professor of Public International Law, University of Bristol, United Kingdom

“Overview of the Freedom of Religion or Belief in the ECHR since *Kokkinakis*”

Discussants:

Brett G. Scharffs, Francis R. Kirkham Professor of Law and Director, International Center for Law and Religion Studies, J. Reuben Clark Law School, Brigham Young University, United States

Sophie van Bijsterveld, Professor of Religion, Law, and Society, Radboud University, Netherlands

Q & A and Discussion

11:00 – 11:30

Break

11:30 – 13:00

Panel 2: Religion and Minorities, Church-State Relations, Neutrality

Speakers:

Peter Petkoff, Research Fellow; Director of Law, Religion, and International Relations Programme, Centre for Christianity and Culture, Regent's Park College, United Kingdom

“The ECHR and ‘Religious Neutrality’”

Jeremy Gunn, Professor of Law and Political Science, Université Internationale de Rabat, Morocco

“ECHR, the ‘Principle of Secularism,’ and the Treatment of Islam”

Dominic McGoldrick, Professor of International Human Rights Law, Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Nottingham, United Kingdom

“ECHR and Symbols”

Discussants:

W. Cole Durham, Jr., Susa Young Gates Professor of Law and Founding Director, International Center for Law and Religion Studies, J. Reuben Clark Law School, Brigham Young University, United States

Jeroen Temperman, Associate Professor of Public International Law; Deputy Head, Department of International and European Union Law, Erasmus School of Law, Erasmus University Rotterdam, Netherlands

Q & A and Discussion

13:00 – 14:30

Lunch

14:30 – 15:30

Panel 3: Manifestations of Religion: Individual and Collective Manifestations

Speakers:

Javier Martinez-Torron, Professor of Law, Director of the Department of Law and Religion, Complutense University School of Law, Spain

“Manifestations of Religion”

Brett G. Scharffs, Francis R. Kirkham Professor of Law and Director, International Center for Law and Religion Studies, J. Reuben Clark Law School, Brigham Young University, United States
“Proselytizing”

W. Cole Durham, Jr., Susa Young Gates Professor of Law and Founding Director, International Center for Law and Religion Studies, J. Reuben Clark Law School, Brigham Young University, United States
“Registration/Autonomy”

Discussants:

Pamela Slotte, Eric Castrén Institute of International Law and Human Rights, Faculty of Law, University of Helsinki, Finland

Sir Malcolm D. Evans, Chair, UN Subcommittee on Prevention of Torture; Professor of Public International Law, University of Bristol, United Kingdom

Q & A and Discussion

15:30 – 16:00

Break

16:00 – 17:30

Panel 4: Limitations Analysis and Jurisprudential Doctrines

Speakers:

Mark Hill QC, Extraordinary Professor, University of Pretoria, South Africa; Visiting Professor, Cardiff University, United Kingdom
“Limitations Clauses in ECHR Analysis in Religion Cases”

Stephanie Berry, Lecturer in Public Law; Co-Director, Sussex Centre for Human Rights Research, School of Law, University of Sussex, United Kingdom
“Margin of Appreciation”

Discussants:

Peter Petkoff, Research Fellow; Director of Law, Religion, and International Relations Programme, Centre for Christianity and Culture, Regent’s Park College, United Kingdom

Jeremy Gunn, Professor of Law and Political Science, Université International de Rabat, Morocco

Q and A and Discussion

Sunday 28 May 2017

09:00 – 11:00

Panel 5: Religion, Equality, Conscience, and Other Rights

Speakers:

Renata Uitz, Professor of Comparative Constitutional Law, Central European University, Hungary

“Freedom of Religion or Belief and Equality”

Ioana Cismas, Lecturer in Law, Stirling Law School, University of Stirling, United Kingdom

“Freedom of Religion or Belief and the Freedom of Association”

Lucy Vickers, Professor of Law, Oxford Brookes University, United Kingdom

“Freedom of Religion or Belief and Employment Law”

Jeroen Temperman, Associate Professor of Public International Law; Deputy Head, Department of International and European Union Law, Erasmus School of Law, Erasmus University Rotterdam, Netherlands

“Freedom of Religion or Belief and Education under Protocol 1”

Discussants:

Stijn Smet (via Zoom), ARC Laureate Postdoctoral Fellow in Constitutional Law, Melbourne Law School, University of Melbourne, Australia

Dia Anagnostou, Assistant Professor of Politics, Panteion University of Social and Political Sciences, Greece

11:00 – 11:30

Break

11:30 – 12:45

Panel 6: Broader Horizons, Implementation, Evaluation, Criticisms

Speakers:

Effie Fokas, Senior Research Fellow, Hellenic Foundation for European and Foreign Policy, Greece

“A View from the Grassroots”

Dia Anagnostou, Assistant Professor of Politics, Panteion University of Social and Political Sciences, Greece

“Assessment: Have Decisions Been Enforced with what Consequences”

Sophie van Bijsterveld, Professor of Religion, Law, and Society, Radboud University, Netherlands

“Dissenting Opinions in the Court’s Religion Cases”

Discussants:

Stephanie Berry, Lecturer in Public Law; Co-Director, Sussex Centre for Human Rights Research, School of Law, University of Sussex, United Kingdom

Mark Hill QC, Extraordinary Professor, University of Pretoria, South Africa; Visiting Professor, Cardiff University, United Kingdom

12:45 – 13:00

Closing Remarks

Jeremy Gunn, Professor of Law and Political Science, Université International de Rabat, Morocco

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