

**Nineteenth Annual International Law and Religion Symposium
Brigham Young University
Provo, Utah**

October 7-9, 2012

“Religion, Democracy, and Civil Society”

Sunday, October 7, 2012

7-8:30 PM

Opening Session

Room 303, J. Reuben Clark Law Building

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

Welcome: **James R. Rasband**, Dean, J. Reuben Clark Law School,
Brigham Young University
Sandra Rogers, International Vice President, Brigham
Young University

Speakers: **Silvio Ferrari**, Professor, University of Milan, Italy
Katrina Lantos Swett, Chair, United States Commission
on International Religious Freedom
Suzan Johnson Cook, United States Ambassador-at-Large
for International Religious Freedom

8:30-9:30 PM

Reception

**Howard W. Hunter Law Library, Second Floor
J. Reuben Clark Law Building**

Monday, October 8, 2012

8:30-10:30 AM

First Plenary Session: "The Role of Religion in Democratic Transformations," Room 303, J. Reuben Clark Law Building

Introduction: **James R. Rasband**, Dean, J. Reuben Clark Law School, Brigham Young University

Welcome: **Cecil O. Samuelson**, President, Brigham Young University

Moderator: **David M. Kirkham**, Senior Fellow for Comparative Law and International Policy, International Center for Law and Religion Studies, J. Reuben Clark Law School, Brigham Young University

Speakers: **Jeffrey Haynes**, Associate Dean of Faculty, Research and Postgraduate; and Director of the Centre for the Study of Religion, Conflict, and Cooperation, London Metropolitan University, United Kingdom

Sophie van Bijsterveld, Professor of Law, Tilburg Law School, Universiteit van Tilburg, the Netherlands

Michelo Hansungule, Professor, University of Pretoria, South Africa

Scott Hibbard, Associate Professor, Department of Political Science, DePaul University, United States

10:30-10:45 AM

Break

10:45-12 PM

Breakout Sessions

Africa

Room 303, J. Reuben Clark Law Building

Moderator: **Jeffrey N. Clayton**, Fellow, International Center for Law and Religion Studies, J. Reuben Clark Law School, Brigham Young University

Speakers: **Emmanuel Kwabena Quansah**, Professor of Law and Dean, School of Research and Graduate Studies, Mountcrest University College, Ghana

Jallah Allen Barbu, Chairperson, Constitution and Justice Division, Law Reform Commission, Liberia

Imam Abdur-Rahman Olanrewaju Ahmad, National Missioner, Ansar-ud-Deen Society of Nigeria, Nigeria
Shaun Alberto de Freitas, Associate Professor and Departmental Chairperson, Department of Constitutional Law and Philosophy of Law, University of the Free State, South Africa

Vietnam

Room 314, J. Reuben Clark Law Building

Moderator: **Hien Vu**, East Asia Program Officer, Institute for Global Engagement, United States

Speakers: **DO Quang Hung**, Professor, International Politics Department; Faculty of Political Science, University of Social Sciences and Humanities, Vietnam National University
PHAM Quoc Thanh, Vice Dean, Faculty of Political Science, University of Social Sciences and Humanities, Vietnam National University
NGUYEN Van Hieu, Director, Office for International Affairs and Programs, University of Social Sciences and Humanities, Vietnam National University
THIEU Thi Huong, Division of Protestant Affairs, Committee for Religious Affairs (CRA)
NGUYEN Thi Hue, Office Deputy, Committee for Religious Affairs (CRA)
NGUYEN The Hung, Program Officer, International and Humanitarian Affairs, Ministry of Public Safety

Egypt & Turkey

Room 205, J. Reuben Clark Law Building

Moderator: **James A. Toronto**, Associate Professor of Arabic and Islamic Studies, Brigham Young University

Speakers: **Mohamed A. Abdelaal**, Assistant Professor of Constitutional and Administrative Law, Alexandria University Faculty of Law, Egypt
Fatih Öztürk, Assistant Professor, Meliksah University, Faculty of Law, Turkey

Mexico

Room 208, J. Reuben Clark Law Building

Moderator: **David Channer**, Fellow, International Center for Law and Religion Studies, J. Reuben Clark Law School, Brigham Young University

Speakers: **Gustavo Mohar Betancourt**, Undersecretary for Population, Religion, and Migration, Ministry of Governance
Jesús Alcántara Méndez, Religious Affairs Counsel, Secretaria de Gobernación
Javier Saldaña Serrano, Professor of Law, Autonomous University of Mexico
Máximo Moscoso Pintado, Religious Affairs Coordinator of the State of Tabasco, Secretaría de Gobernación

12:15-2 PM

**Lunch for Conference Delegates and Invited Guests
Assembly Hall, Hinckley Alumni and Visitors Center
Brigham Young University**

2-3:45 PM

Second Plenary Session: "Religious Organizations, Civil Society, and Pluralism," Room 303, J. Reuben Clark Law Building

Moderator: **Robert T. Smith**, Managing Director, International Center for Law and Religion Studies, J. Reuben Clark Law School, Brigham Young University

Speakers: **Allen D. Hertzke**, Presidential Professor of Political Science, University of Oklahoma, United States
Juan Fernando López Aguilar, Member of Parliament, European Parliament, Spain
Ram Cnaan, Director, Program for Religion and Social Policy Research, University of Pennsylvania, United States

3:45-4 PM

Break

4-5 PM

Breakout Sessions

China

Room 303, J. Reuben Clark Law Building

Moderator: **Eric Hyer**, Associate Professor of Political Science,
Brigham Young University

Speakers: **LIU Peng**, Director, Pu Shi Institute for Social Science,
China
Ping Xiong, Lecturer, University of South Australia Law
School, Australia

Japan

Room 314, J. Reuben Clark Law Building

Moderator: **Brigham Daniels**, Associate Professor of Law, J. Reuben
Clark Law School, Brigham Young University (invited)

Speakers: **Tasuku Matsuo**, Attorney at Law, Matsuo and Kosugi,
Japan
Frank S. Ravitch, Professor of Law and Walter H.
Stowers Chair of Law and Religion, Michigan State
University College of Law, United States

Armenia, Belarus, and Georgia

Room 205, J. Reuben Clark Law Building

Moderator: **Robert B. Lochhead**, Fellow, International Center for
Law and Religion Studies, J. Reuben Clark Law School,
Brigham Young University

Speakers: **Stepan Danielyan**, Chairman, Collaboration for
Democracy Centre, Armenia
Marine Solomonishvili, President, LEA International
Foundation and Georgian-Jewish Information Center,
Georgia

Peru

Room 208, J. Reuben Clark Law Building

Moderator: **Scott E. Isaacson**, Senior Fellow for Latin American
Programs, International Center for Law and Religion
Studies, J. Reuben Clark Law School, Brigham Young
University

Speakers: **Jorge Luis Salas Arenas**, Supreme Judge, Supreme Court of Justice
Juan Carlos A. Valderrama, Professor, Universidad Católica
Moisés Arata, Professor, University of Lima, San Martín de Porres and San Ignacio de Loyola

Tuesday, October 9, 2012

8:30-9:45 AM **Third Plenary Session: "Religion in Public and Private," Room 303, J. Reuben Clark Law Building**

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

Speakers: **Rik Torfs**, Senator, Belgian Senate, Belgium
Hanna Kildani, Secretary General, Jordanian Christian Council of Churches, Jordan
Jinwol Lee, Professor, Dongguk University, South Korea
Alejandro Ordóñez Maldonado, Attorney General, Colombia

9:45-10 AM **Break**

10-11 AM **Breakout Sessions**

United States
Room 303, J. Reuben Clark Law Building

Moderator: **Alan Hurst**, Fellow, J. Reuben Clark Law School, Brigham Young University

Speakers: **Derek H. Davis**, Former Director, J.M. Dawson Institute on Church-State Studies, Baylor University
Tina Ramirez, Director of International and Government Relations, The Becket Fund for Religious Liberty
Eric Rassbach, Deputy General Counsel, The Becket Fund for Religious Liberty

Thailand, India, and Laos

Room 314, J. Reuben Clark Law Building

Moderator: **J. Clifford Wallace**, Chief Judge Emeritus, United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit

Speakers: **Jaran Pukditanakul**, Justice, Constitutional Court, Thailand
S.K. Pachauri, Director, Amity Institute of Good Governance, India
Sosonephith PHANOUVONG, Director of Home Affairs, Department of Ethnic and Religious Affairs, Ministry of Home Affairs, Laos
Quneheuane PHOTHIRATH, President, Lao Front for National Construction, Laos

Hungary and Italy

Room 205, J. Reuben Clark Law Building

Moderator: **Eric T. Jensen**, Associate Professor of Law, J. Reuben Clark Law School, Brigham Young University

Speakers: **Tamás Lukács**, Member of Parliament, Committee on Human Rights, Minorities, Civil, and Religious Affairs, Hungary
José T. Martín de Agar, Professor of Canon Law, Pontificia Università della Santa Croce, Italy

Central America

Room 208, J. Reuben Clark Law Building

Moderator: **Carolina Núñez**, Associate Professor of Law, J. Reuben Clark Law School, Brigham Young University

Speakers: **Marylin Vallarino**, Member of Congress, National Congress of Panama, Panama
Brenda Ninoska Martínez Aragón, Attorney at Law, Taboada & Asociados, Nicaragua
Carlos Sabino, Professor, Universidad Francisco Marroquin, Guatemala

11-11:15

Break

11:15-12:15 PM

Breakout Sessions

Cape Verde and Brazil

Room 303, J. Reuben Clark Law Building

Moderator: **Arlen D. Woffinden**, Fellow, International Center for Law and Religion Studies, J. Reuben Clark Law School, Brigham Young University

Speakers: **Ligia Dias Fonseca**, First Lady, Office of the President of Cape Verde
Gilberto Garcia, Professor of Law, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil
Aldir G. Soriano, Professor, Universidade do Oeste Paulista – Unoeste, Brazil

Philippines

Room 314, J. Reuben Clark Law Building

Moderator: **Douglas E. McAllister**, Fellow, International Center for Law and Religion Studies, J. Reuben Clark Law School, Brigham Young University

Speakers: **Moner M. Bajunaid**, Professor, Philippine Center for Islam and Democracy
Jeremy Gatdula, Attorney, David and Gatdula Law Offices
Ric Castro, Partner, Quisumbing Torres/Baker and McKenzie International

Russia and Ukraine

Room 205, J. Reuben Clark Law Building

Moderator: **Elizabeth A. Clark**, Associate Director, International Center for Law and Religion Studies, J. Reuben Clark Law School, Brigham Young University

Speakers: **William Schmidt**, Doctor of Philosophy, Dean of Faculty of Religious Studies, Ethnocultural Studies and Regional Studies, John the Apostle Orthodox Institute, Russian Orthodox University, Russia

Ekaterina Elbakyan, Professor of Sociology and Management of Social Processes, Moscow Academy of Labor and Social Relations, Russia

Taras Antoshevskyy, Director, Religious Information Service of Ukraine, Ukraine

Maksym Vasin, Executive Director, Institute for Religious Freedom, Ukraine

Cuba and the Dominican Republic

Room 208, J. Reuben Clark Law Building

Moderator: **Thomas E. "Ted" Lyon**, Professor of Spanish, Brigham Young University

Speakers: **Isidro Gómez Santos**, Cuban Ambassador, Oficina de Atención a los Asuntos Religiosos, Cuba

Fidel Lorenzo Merán, Minister, Dominican Council of Evangelical Unity, Dominican Republic

Elvis Medina, Bishop, Iglesia de Dios, Dominican Republic

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Brigham Young University

2-3 PM

Breakout Sessions

Australia and Samoa

Room 303, J. Reuben Clark Law Building

Moderator: **Craig H. Christensen**, Fellow, International Center for Law and Religion Studies, J. Reuben Clark Law School, Brigham Young University

Speakers: **Augusto Cotta Zimmermann**, Associate Dean and Senior Lecturer, Murdoch University, Australia

Leilani Tuala-Warren, Executive Director, Samoan Law Reform Commission, Samoa

Neville Rochow, Barrister/Board Member, University of Adelaide Research Unit for Society, Law and Religion, Australia

Indonesia and Malaysia

Room 314, J. Reuben Clark Law Building

Moderator: **Ralph B. Brown**, Professor of Sociology, Brigham Young University

Speakers: **Cekli Setya Pratiwi**, Lecturer, Universitas Muhammadiyah Malang Faculty of Law, Indonesia
Amir Farid Isahak, Chairman, Interfaith Spiritual Fellowship/The Pure Life Society, Malaysia

Germany and Norway

Room 205, J. Reuben Clark Law Building

Moderator: **Gordon Smith**, Associate Dean and Glen L. Farr Professor of Law, J. Reuben Clark Law School, Brigham Young University

Speakers: **Sven W. Speer**, Chairman, Forum Open Religious Policy, Germany
Tøre Lindholm, Associate Professor, Norwegian Center for Human Rights, University of Oslo, Norway

Columbia and Bolivia

Room 208, J. Reuben Clark Law Building

Moderator: **Kif Augustine-Adams**, Associate Dean and Charles E. Jones Professor of Law, J. Reuben Clark Law School, Brigham Young University

Speakers: **María Patricia Ariza-Velasco**, Fourth Deputy Attorney before the Council of State, Procuraduría General de la República de Colombia
Ninoska Lazarte, Councilwoman, Municipal Council of Cochabamba City, Bolivia

3-3:15 PM

Break

3:15-5 PM

Fourth Plenary Session

Room 303, J. Reuben Clark Law Building

Moderator: **Gary B. Doxey**, Associate Director, International Center for Law and Religion Studies, J. Reuben Clark Law School, Brigham Young University

Conference Summation and Concluding Reflections on Conference Themes

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