The Fifth ICLARS Conference

Living Together in Diversity: Strategies from Law and Religion



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Introduction

— about the Fifth ICLARS Conference

Demographic projections indicate that cultural and religious diversity will increase dramatically in the coming decades in many parts of the world. What are the contributions that law and religion studies can give in response to the challenges posed by increasing religious and cultural diversity? What are the political, legal and sociological strategies "from law and religion" that can enable citizens to live together with religious and cultural difference? Granting freedom of religion or belief to everyone is obvious — but which theological and philosophical conceptions and which political and legal practices of freedom of religion or belief are most helpful in addressing cultural and religious diversification? These are the questions that the Fifth Conference of the International Consortium for Law and Religion Studies — ICLARS — aims to debate.

ICLARS is an international network of scholars begun in 2007 with Professor Silvio Ferrari of the University of Milan as President, and with the purpose of providing a forum for exchange of information, data, and opinions among members — by now coming from more than 40 countries — which can then be made available to the broader scientific community.

Professor Ferrari was succeeded as ICLARS President in 2011 by Professor W. Cole Durham, Jr., Founding Director of the International Center for Law and Religion Studies (ICLRS) of the J. Reuben Clark Law School at Brigham Young University in the United States. Current ICLARS President, Professor Ana Marís Celis Brunet, Director of Centro UC Derecho y Religión at Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile, assumed office in September 2016, along with ICLARS Vice President, Mark Hill QC, Distinguished Barrister and Honorary Professor of Law, Cardiff University, United Kingdom. Current members of the ICLARS Steering Committee are law and religion scholars from Argentina, India, Israel, Italy, South Africa, Spain, and the United States.

This Fifth Conference in Rio de Janeiro follows ICLARS Conferences held in Milan (2009), Santiago (2011), Virginia (2013), and Oxford (2016). Selected proceedings from these conferences have been published or are forthcoming in six books, first by Ashgate and now by Routledge as part of its ICLARS Series on Law and Religion, which was launched at the Oxford Conference, with Professors Ferrari and Durham, ICLARS Steering Committee Members Pieter Coertzen and Tahir Mahmood, and Professor Russell Sandberg, Head of Law at Cardiff University, as Editors. The Series now offers sixteen published and more forthcoming books.

The Rio Conference brings together yet another distinguished group of scholars and friends, from North and South America, Asia, Africa, Europe, and the Middle East, to explore critical issues of the greatest significance and mutual interest. It is most fitting that this group will share in a special event: a session honoring the life's work of two friends, both of whom have in the past year celebrated their 70th birthdays: ICLARS Honorary Life President Silvio Ferrari and his and longtime colleague Professor Cole Durham, pioneers in the work ICLARS represents: to bring law and religion together in serious and productive conversation among people in all parts of the world.

People like those appearing in the pages to follow.

Meet the team

— and accept a warm welcome from the Organizing Committee



Ana María Celis Brunet, Chile

President, ICLARS; Associate Professor, Center for Law and Religion, Faculty of Law, Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile Ana María Celis Brunet is an associate professor in the Faculty of Law, Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile (UC), where she teaches canon law and law and religion, as well as post graduate courses in different programs. She received her license and doctoral degree in canon law at the Pontificia Università Gregoriana (Rome, Italy) with the dissertation La relevancia

canónica del matrimonio civil a la luz de la Teoría general del Acto jurídico, contribución teórica a la experiencia jurídica chilena. Professor Celis is an ecclesiastical lawyer before the Ecclesiastical Court of Santiago. She is Director of El Centro UC Derecho y Religión (the Center for Law and Religion at UC), which began in 2005 as Centro de Libertad Religiosa, a center for studying Church-State matters and promoting religious freedom. She was the secretary and then President of the Consorcio Latinoamericano de Libertad Religiosa (Latin American Consortium for Religious Freedom). She is President of the International Consortium for Law and Religion Studies (ICLARS).



Fábio Carvalho Leite, Brazil

Professor of Law and Legal Advisor to the Rector, Pontifícia Universidade Católica do Rio de Janeiro

Fábio Carvalho Leite serves as the Deputy Legal Advisor to the Rector of Pontifical Catholic University of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil (PUC-Rio), where he is a professor and coordinator of Constitutional Law. He graduated from PUC-Rio in 1999, and earned a Doctor in Law from Rio de Janeiro State University in 2008. He is member of Constitutional Law Commission of Order

of Brazil Lawyers. He is also a Researcher on Productivity at National Research Council (CNPq) with a research project about Free Speech (and Its Limits). His publications include State and Religion: Religious Liberty in Brazil (Juruá 2014), Freedom of Expression and the Right to Honor: New Guidelines to an Old Problem, in Fundamental Rights and Constitutional Jurisdiction, Clemerson Cleve & Alexandre Freire, eds (Revista dos Tribunais 2014), and Declaratory Action of Constitutionality: Expectation, Reality and Some Propositions, Sequência: Federal University of Santa Catarina Law Review.



Sebastián Zárate Rojas, Chile

Assistant Professor, School of Communication, Universidad de los Andes, Chile

Sebastián Zárate Rojas is Assistant Professor at the School of Communication at the University of Los Andes (Chile) He earned a doctorate as a Graduate Fellow of the Marion B. Brechner First Amendment Project at the University of Florida. He holds a PhD in Law from the University of Bristol (England) and a PhD in Communication Law from Universidad Compmletense de Madrid

(Spain). He worked for eight years an Assistant Professor of Law at the Catholic University

of Chile. He has served as the General Counsel of the Chilean National Press Association, and Counsel of the Chilean Media Ethics Committee and has been editor Editor of Revista Lainoamericana de Derecho y Religión and member of the Board of Direcotrs at Centro UC Derecho y Religión, Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile.



María Begoña Jugo De Las Heras, Chile

Research Lawyer, Centro UC Derecho y Religión, Pontifica Universidad Católica de Chile

Begoña Jugo is lawyer with experience in both the public and private sectors, and an ability to work in both Spanish and English. Currently, she is a research lawyer at the Law and Religion Center of Pontifica Universidad Católica de Chile, where she participates

in the Latin American Journal of Law and Religion as well as the Observatory Center for Religious Liberty in Latin America and the Caribbean. She earned a degree in juridical and social sciences, with distinction, at Universidad Diego Portales in Santiago. She was a lawyer at Mackenna Cruzat and Co. (2008-2012) and from December 2012 to 2014, she was an attorney at the Chilean National Office of Religious Affairs, Ministry of the General Secretariat of the Presidency.



Rodrigo Vitorino Souza Alves, Brazil

Professor, Law Faculty, Universidade Federal de Uberlândia; Director, Brazilian Center of Studies in Law and Religion Rodrigo Vitorino Souza Alves is a member of the Faculty of Law of the Federal University of Uberlândia (Brazil) and the Leading

Researcher of the Brazilian Center for Studies in Law and Religion. He is a Researcher at the Ratio Legis - Center for Legal Research and Development of the Autonomous University of Lisbon on the topic religious freedom, social tension and security, and was an

Academic Visitor at the University of Oxford (2014-2015). At the United Nations Office at Geneva he served as guest speaker at the Sixth Session of the Forum on Minority Issues on Beyond Freedom of Religion or Belief: Guaranteeing the Rights of Religious Minorities (OHCHR), which led to the publication of a set of recommendations by the Human Rights Council. He sits at the International Academic Advisory Board of the Advanced Program on Religion and the Rule of Law at Oxford and is a member of the Editorial Board of the Series Law and Religion in a Global Context, published by Springer, and the editor of the book Latin American Perspectives on Law and Religion. He was a member of the Expert Advisory Group for the International Development of Law Organization (IDLO) study on freedom of religion or belief.



Daniela Trejos Vargas, Brazil

Professor of Law, Pontifícia Universidade Católica do Rio de Janeiro

Daniela Vargas is a professor at the PUC-Rio School of Law, where she teaches Private International Law. Since 2011 she serves as Dean of Undergraduate Affairs at the Pontifical Catholic University of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil (PUC-Rio). A

graduate from PUC-Rio School of Law (1985), she holds a PhD in Private Law from the State University of Rio de Janeiro (UERJ). She is a member of the International Law Association – ILA and ASADIP – Asociacion Americana de Derecho Internacional Privado. She has

published in the fields of private international law, nationality, migration and the status of aliens.



Antonio Pele, Brazil

Assistant Professor of Law and Human Rights, Pontifícia Universidade Católica do Rio de Janeiro

Antonio Pele is an Assistant Professor of Law and Human Rights at the Pontifical Catholic University of Rio de Janeiro. He has also taught at the Carlos III University of Madrid. Visiting Scholar, Pozen Family Center for Human Rights, The University of Chicago. He earned a BA at the Institut d'études politiques de Bordeaux (Sciences-Po), and a PhD in Law at Carlos III University of Madrid.

His research is mainly concerned with the notion of Human Dignity, the History of Human Rights and Critical Theory.



Donlu DeWitt Thayer, United States

Director of Publications, International Center for Law and Religion Studies

Donlu Thayer is Publications Director at the International Center for Law and Religion Studies (ICLRS) of Brigham Young University (BYU) Law School. She holds BA, MA (languages and literature), and JD degrees and has been a family, juvenile court, and highrisk victim/offender mediator. An editor for nearly 50 years, she also taught writing in the BYU English Department and Honors

Program. Publications include four co-edited books in the Routledge ICLARS Series on Law and Religion. She was coordinating editor for Religion and the Secular State: National Reports, Javier Martínez-Torrón and W. Cole Durham, Jr., General Reporters (2015), of the Brill Encyclopedia of Law and Religion, Gerhard Robbers and Durham eds. (6 vols. 2016), and of the forthcoming 2nd edition of the Durham and Brett G. Scharffs casebook Law and Religion: National International and Comparative Perspectives (2019). She oversees the ICLRS websites, sends the near-daily International Law and Religion Headlines to several thousand subscribers worldwide, and maintains the FoRB jurisprudence case table of the Strasbourg Consortium. As an Associate Editor of the Oxford Journal of Law and Religion she has written and edited scores of case notes and is preparing to launch the Journal's blog.



Natalia Brigagão F. A. Carvalho, Brazil

Coordinator, Human Rights and Global Justice Lab (LabDH)

Natalia Brigagão, who was previously a Visiting Student at
Harvard University (2017), is in the final year of her LLB degree
at the Federal University of Uberlândia. At the United Nations
Headquarters in New York, Natalia served as an Adviser to the
Mission of Brazil (Academic Training Program, 2017), where she
was responsible for doing research for and reporting Third
Committee meetings and negotiations with a focus on human

rights. Now, she is a Coordinator of the Human Rights and Global Justice Lab, Brazil and a Researcher of the Brazilian the Center for Studies in Law and Religion. She has recently been awarded a fellowship to lead the development of the education session of a course on religious freedom in the public service for the Ministry of Human Rights and the National School of Public Administration. During the last four years, Natalia has also undertaken a

transdisciplinary research about the principle of human dignity, having published chapters in books edited by the Bar and an ICJ Judge. Her latest investigation, which has been granted an award from the Brazilian Academy of Constitutional Law, has offered an unprecedented view about how the dignity of the human person was inserted in the Brazilian Constitution of 1988 due to the influence of Catholic social thought and the advocacy for social and economic rights.



Francisca Ibarra Infante, Chile

Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile

Francisca Ibarra Infante is a lawyer (2017), having gotten her law degree at the Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile (2016) with an Academic Certificate in Antropology and Ethics. She was an assistant to the Chair in Canon Law and Law and Religion, Professor Ana María Celis (2013-2017) and to Professor Emilio

Vicuña (2012-2012) in the Law Faculty of the Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile. In such university, Francisca Ibarra has also been awarded a Diploma in Family and Society (2017) and has been serving as a researcher at the Centro UC de la Familia (from 2016) y en el Centro UC Derecho y Religión (from 2017). Since 2017, she has also been an Academic Coordinator of the Law Faculty. In August, she was appointed Assistant Professor in the courses Canon Law and Law and Religion.



Constanza Garrido Manlla, Chile

Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile

Constanza Garrido Manlla is a lawyer, graduated from the Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile (2013). She was an Assistant in the courses Canon Law (2010-2014) and Criminal Law (2013-2014) in the same law school. Constanza also holds a Diploma in "Problemas Actuales del Derecho Penal Sustantivo" and is a researcher of the Centro de Libertad Religiosa UC Derecho y Religion (from July 2018). She has acted as a lawyer at the Grupo

Alto S.A. (2015-2016), at the Criminal Law Department of Clinica Juridica UC (2016) and ay the Defensoria Metropolitana Norte (2016-2018).

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Wednesday, September 12

AFTERNOON

1:30 - 6:30 pm ARRIVAL AND REGISTRATION (PUC-Rio, Law School, 7th floor)

3:30 - 5:00 pm YOUNG SCHOLARS SESSIONS

Session 1: YOUNG SCHOLARS' PRESENTATIONS (Auditorium B8-A)



Cristiana Cianitto (Chair)

General Coordinator, ICLARS Secretariat

Cristiana Cianitto took an undergraduate degree and PhD in Philosophy of Law at the Faculty of Law of Università degli Studi di Milano, where she has been a Lecturer in Canon Law since 2007. A founding member of the International Consortium for Law and Religion Studies (ICLARS), she is also a case note editor for the Oxford Journal of Law and Religion and a member of the editorial committee of Quaderni di diritto e politica ecclesiastica.



Sohail Wahedi Netherlands

PhD Candidate, Erasmus School of Law, Netherlands

"Religious freedom and living together in diversity. A peaceful combination?"

Sohail Wahedi is a PhDCandidate at Erasmus School of Law in Rotterdam, the Netherlands. He focuses on the place of religion in liberal political philosophy. His work has been accepted for publication with Buffalo Human Rights Law Review; Quinnipiac Health Law Journal and the Oxford Journal of Law and religion. He

has been a visiting researcher to Osgoode Hall Law School, Toronto, and in summer 2018 he was a fellow in Charter Class of the International Center of Law and Religion Studies' Religion and the Rule of Law in Oxford. He was an intern at the Dutch Embassy to Israel and was working student at De Brauw Blackstone Westbroek Lawyers and Notaries in Amsterdam.



Werner Nicolaas Nel, South Africa

Lecturer, Tshwane University of Technology and Religious Liberty Commission, South Africa

"A taxonomy of crimes against humanity of religious persecution in terms of the Rome Statute"

Werner Nicolaas Nel is an academic lecturer in law at the Tshwane University of Technology, Pretoria, South Africa, and part-time lecturer at the University of Johannesburg, South Africa. He is a

graduate in Baccalaureus Legum (LLB) and Magister Legum (LLM) in Public International law from the University of Johannesburg. He is also a researcher and doctoral candidate (Doctoral Legum - LLD) in the related fields of International Criminal Law and International Human Rights Law, with specific focus on religious persecution, freedom of religion or

belief, and religious advocacy. His doctoral thesis at the Faculty of Law, University of Pretoria is entitled: "International criminal accountability for religious persecution in terms of the Rome Statute: A taxonomy of crimes against humanity of religious persecution."



Tamar de Waal, Netherlands

Assistant Professor, Erasmus School of Law, Netherlands "Equal citizenship and the Judeo-Christian Leitkultur of Western democracies"

Dr. Tamar de Waal works as assistant professor legal and political theory at the Erasmus School of Law in the Netherlands. She is specialized in doing interdisciplinary research combining law, politics and morality. She completed her dissertation, Conditional Belonging, in 2017, focusing on integration requirements for

immigrants in Europe and equal citizenship. In her current research she focuses on citizenship education, in particular, how liberal democracies can promote democratic socialization without jeopardizing the value of equal citizenship. During her philosophy, law, and PhD studies, Tamar studied at University College London, Columbia Law School in New York City, and at McGill University in Montreal, Canada.



Mohammed Jamal Ahmed, Ethiopia

Lecturer and Researcher, Wollo University, Ethiopia "Social medias as an alternative space for faith. Inter and intrareligions polemics among the Ethiopian diasporas"

Mohammed Jemal Ahmed is lecturer and researcher at Wollo University in Ethiopia and a PhD student in Tourism Management at İzmir Kâtip Çelebi University in Turkey. From 2009-2016 he was a lecturer at Jijiga University in Ethiopia. He

earned a BA Degree from Madawalabu University in History and a Master of Arts degree in Tourism and Development from Addis Ababa University, Ethiopia. His areas of research interest include Tourism, Heritage, Historical Sites of Ethiopia and the Horn, Culture, Globalization and Cross Cutting issues, Ethiopian Historiography, Medieval and Modern Political History of Ethiopia and the Horn, Islamic History of Ethiopia and the Horn. He has participated in curriculum development in History and Heritage Management and has delivered papers in international conferences in Ethiopia and in Warsaw, Poland. He is author of Challenges of Teaching History in Multi-Ethnic Countries: Ethiopia (Éditions universitaires européennes 2016).





Ana María Celis Brunet, Chile

President, ICLARS

Ana María Celis is associate professor in the Faculty of Law, Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile (UC) and is ecclesiastical lawyer before the Ecclesiastical Court. She was secretary and President (2013-2016) of Consorcio Latinoamericano de Liberdad Religiosa and is current President of the International Consortium for Law and Religion Studies (ICLARS).



Elena López Ruf, Argentina

Faculty of Law, Pontificia Universidad Católica Argentina; Project Director CREAS, Argentina

"Paradigms of relations between state and religion, state organizational design and intercultural dialogue policies"

Elena López Ruf graduated from the Faculty of Law of the Pontifical Catholic University of Argentina (UCA) where she

teaches Philosophy of Law and is currently pursuing her Doctorate in Law. She coordinates the program Religion and Development of CREAS (Center for Reflection and Social Action). She served four years as advisor at the Religious Affairs office at the Government of Buenos Aires City. She is a member of the Youth Group of Argentine Council for International Relations (CARI) and of the Argentine Council for Religious Freedom (CALIR). In 2015, she participated at the Summer School Religions in the Global World, promoted by Sophia University Institute, and in 2009 attended the Jewish-Catholic Emerging Leadership Conference in Rome, organized by the Commission of Religious Relations for the Jews of the Holy See and the International Jewish Committee for Interreligious Consultations (IJCIC). She has been involved in interreligious and ecumenical initiatives for more than ten years, particularly with the youth of the Focolare Movement and has published a number of journal articles on human rights law and religious freedom.



María Delfina Orpelli, Argentina

Pontificia Universidad Católica Argentina

"Does the exhibition of religious symbols in the public spaces of court house violate individual rights? A resolution by the High Court of La Pampa"

Maris Delfiina Orpelli graduated as a lawyer from Pontificia Universidad Católica Argentina. She takes part in a research project about state and religion (Proyecto IUS) in that University.

Since 2017, she is a Professor in the Facultad de Derecho de la Universidad de Buenos Aires on the subject "Teoría General del Derecho" (by resolution 5277/17). Finally, she works at the Fiscalía en lo Penal, Contravencional y de Faltas 16 in Ciudad Autónoma de Buenos Aires, that is specialized on violence against women, as an Assistant for the Prosecutor.



Aléxia Duarte Torres, Brazil

Universidade Federal de Minas Gerais, Brazil

"Social pluralism, state, and religious freedom. An analysis of Herman Dooyeeerd's Theory of the Spheres of Justice"

Aléxia Duarte Torres researches on freedom of expression, religious freedom, and hate speech at Universidade Federal de Minas Gerais in Brazil. She earned a Master's Degree in Law from the University in 2017, studying Constitutional Theory, Human

Rights, and Democratic Institutions. She holds a National Council for Scientific and Technological Development (CNPq) scholarship for post-graduate research. She earned a Bachelor in Law from Pontifical Catholic University of Minas Gerais (2016) and was was a member of the Research Group at Herman Dooyeweerd, under the guidance of Prof. Dr. Giordano Bruno Soares. She was trainee Professor at the Department of Public Law, Discipline Constitutional Law II (2017-2018) and the Department of Labor Law, discipline Philosophy of Law (2017). She is Monitora of the Introduction to Law Study I and II and Director of Finance and Culture of the Academic Directory at graduation.

5:00 - 5:15 pm

Refreshments (8th Floor)

5:15 - 6:45 pm

WELCOME



Fábio Carvalho Leite (Chair)

Legal Advisor to the Rector, Pontifícia Universidade Católica do Rio de Janeiro

Fábio Leite is Professor of Law, Coordinator of Constitutional Law, and Deputy Legal Advisor to the Rector of Pontifícia Universidade Católica do Rio de Janeiro. He is a member of the Constitutional Law Commission of the Order of Brazil Lawyers.



Pe. Álvaro Mendonça Pimentel, Brazil

Vice Rector, Pontifícia Universidade Católica do Rio de Janeiro Prof. Pe. Álvaro Mendonça Pimentel, S.J., is Vice Rector, Pontifícia Universidade Católica do Rio de Janeiro, Brazi. He holds a degree in Philosophy from the Jesuit Faculty of Philosophy and Theology (1995), a degree in Theology from the Facultés Jésuites Center Sèvres de Paris (2001) and a Master's degree in Philosophy from the Pontifical Catholic University of Rio de Janeiro (1998). He

holds a doctorate in Philosophy from the Federal University of Minas Gerais (2008) and has completed his research internship at the Center d'Archives Maurice Blondel (Université Catholique de Louvain, Belgium). In 2014, he completed post-doctoral training at the Catholic University of America. He is currently Professor of the Department of Philosophy of the Jesuit Faculty of Philosophy and Theology (FAJE-MG) and Rector of the same Faculty. He is a member of the Brazilian Association of Philosophy of Religion.



Luiz Roberto Cunha, Brazil

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Francisco de Guimaraens, Brazil

Dean, Law School, Pontifícia Universidade Católica do Rio de Janeiro

Professor Francisco de Guimaraens holds a law degree (2000), a master's degree in law (2002), and a doctorate in law (2006), all from Pontifícia Universidade Católica do Rio de Janeiro, where he is currently Dean of the Law School. His emphasis in law is on Constitutional Law, State Theory, and Political Philosophy.



Ana María Celis Brunet, Chile

President of the International Consortium for Law and Religion Studies and Director of Centro UC Derecho y Religión, Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile

Ana María Celis Brunet is an associate professor in the Faculty of Law, Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile (UC), where she teaches canon law and law and religion, and a variety of post graduate courses. She is an ecclesiastical lawyer before the Ecclesiastical Court of Santiago. She is Director of El Centro UC

Derecho y Religión (the Center for Law and Religion at UC), which began in 2005 as Centro de Libertad Religiosa, a center for studying Church-State matters and promoting religious freedom. She was the secretary and then President (2013-2016) of the Consorcio Latinoamericano de Libertad Religiosa (Latin American Consortium for Religious Freedom). She is President of the International Consortium for Law and Religion Studies (ICLARS).

KEYNOTE SPEAKER



Silvio Ferrari, Italy

Emeritus Professor of Canon Law, Università degli Studi di Milano; Founder and Honorary Lifetime President, International Consortium for Law and Religion Studies

Silvio Ferrari, founder and honorary lifetime president of the International Consortium for Law and Religion Studies (ICLARS), was visiting professor at the University of California (Berkeley), the Institute for Advanced Legal Studies (London), the École Pratique des Hautes Études (Sorbonne, Paris), and the University of Leuven. His publications in English include Law, Religion,

Constitution (edited with Cole Durham, Cristiana Cianitto, and Donlu Thayer); Religion in Public Spaces (edited with Sabrina Pastorelli); Law and Religion in the 21st Century (edited with Rinaldo Cristofori); Law and Religion in Post-Communist Europe (edited with Cole Durham and Elizabeth Sewell), Islam and European Legal System (edited with Anthony Bradney). He is a member of the Advisory Council on Freedom of Religion and Belief of the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe / Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights, member of the International Academy of Comparative Law, a founding editor of the Oxford Journal of Law and Religion, and member of the editorial board of the Ecclesiastical Law Journal. He delivered a Messenger Lecture at Cornell University and received the Distinguished Service Award of the International Center for Law and Religion Studies

7:00 – 8:00 pm Welcome Cocktail (Salão da Pastoral)

Thursday, September 13

MORNING

9:00 – 10:30 am PLENARY SESSION I — MAJORITIES AND MINORITIES (Auditorium B6)



W. Cole Durham, Jr. (Chair)

Founding Director, International Center for Law and Religion Studies, United States

Cole Durham is Susa Young Gates University Professor of Law and Founding Director of the International Center for Law and Religion Studies (ICLRS) at the J. Reuben Clark Law School, Brigham Young University. He was President of the International Consortium for Law and Religion Studies (ICLARS) from 2011-2016.



Mark Hill QC, United Kingdom

Vice President, ICLARS; Barrister; Honorary Professor of Law, Cardiff University

"Minority religions. Global issues from a United Kingdom perspective"

Mark Hill has more than twenty years' experience of common law practice advising and representing clients in a broad range of cases including personal injury, professional negligence, rating, costs, trusts of land, property disputes and village greens. Against

this wide background he has developed an expertise in the law of religious liberty and is recognized as the United Kingdom's leading practitioner in ecclesiastical law. He is Honorary Professor at the Centre for Law and Religion, Cardiff University; formerly Visiting Fellow at Emmanuel College, Cambridge; Extraordinary Professor at the University of Pretoria; Visiting Professor at the Dickson Poon School of Law at King's College London; and Adjunct Professor at Notre Dame University, Sydney. He is Ecumenical fellow in Canon Law at the Venerable English College in Rome. He was elected a Bencher of the Honourable Society of the Inner Temple in 2011 and appointed President of the European Consortium for Church and State Research in 2012. He sits as a Recorder on the Midland Circuit in criminal, civil and family cases, is a qualified Mediator was a legal assessor to the Fitness to Practise Panel of the General Medical Council (2008-2015). He regularly publishes and lectures on matters of Church and State and was a contributing editor for Jowitt's Dictionary of English Law (2010). He is Vice President of the International Consortium for Law and Religion Studies.



Emerson Giumbelli, Brazil

Professor, Universidade Federal do Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil "Minorities are not necessarily against majorities. Evangelical discourses in contemporary Brazil"

Emerson Giumbelli is Associate Professor at the Department of Anthropology and the Graduate Program in Social Anthropology at the Federal University of Rio Grande do Sul (UFRGS). He obtained his doctorate from the National Museum-Federal

University of Rio de Janeiro (2000). He is co-editor of Religion and Society Journal. His teaching and research interests include anthropological theory, anthropology of religion, anthropology of modernity, religion and modernity, religious symbols and public sphere, and secularism. He is the author of several books, including Símbolos Religiosos em Controvérsias (2014), O Fim da Religião: dilemas da liberdade religiosa no Brasil e na França (2002), O Cuidado dos Mortos: uma história da condenação e legitimação do espiritismo (1997). He is also co-organizer of several books, including Secularisms in a Postsecular Age? Religiosities and Subjectivities in Comparative Perspective (2017); Religiões e temas de pesquisa contemporâneos: diálogos antropológicos (2015); Religión, Cultura y Política en las Sociedades del Siglo XXI (2013); A Religião no Espaço Público (2012).

10:30 - 11:00 am Refreshments (8th Floor)

11:00 am - 12:45 pm PARALLEL SESSIONS I — APPROACHES ON MAJORITIES AND MINORITIES

Session 1: Online Atlas of Religious Minorities Rights in the Council of Europe Countries (Auditorium B6), with the presentation of the project by the author



Silvio Ferrari, Italy

Founder and Honorary Life President, International Consortium for Law and Religion Studies (ICLARS); Emeritus Professor of Canon Law, University of Milan

Silvio Ferrari was visiting professor at the University of California (Berkeley), the Institute for Advanced Legal Studies (London), the École Pratique des Hautes Études (Sorbonne, Paris), and the University of Leuven. His publications in English include Law, Religion, Constitution (edited with Cole Durham, Cristiana

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Session 2: Worldwide Laws and Jurisprudence of Living Together (Auditorium B8-A)



Gary B. Doxey (Chair)

Associate Director, International Center for Law and Religion Studies, Brigham Young University, United States

Gary Doxey serves the International Center for Law and Religion Studies (ICLRS) as regional advisor for Latin America and Associate Director and heads the Center's development effort. He has coauthored amicus briefs and commentaries on draft legislation in Latin America. He teaches in the BYU History Department. He was chief of staff and general counsel to Utah governors Mike

Leavitt and Olene Walker and served as deputy commissioner of financial institutions and as associate general counsel to the Utah Legislature. He has a PhD in History from Cambridge University and a JD from Brigham Young University.



Rodrigo Vitorino Souza Alves, Brazil

Professor, Law Faculty, Universidade Federal de Uberlândia; Director, Brazilian Center of Studies in Law and Religion

"Religious diversity and the protection of minority rights in the Inter-American human rights system"

Rodrigo Alves is a member of the Faculty of Law of the Federal University of Uberlândia and the Leading Researcher of the Brazilian Center for Studies in Law and Religion. He is a Researcher at the Ratio Legis - Center for Legal Research and Development of

the Autonomous University of Lisbon on the topic religious freedom, social tension and security, and was an Academic Visitor at the University of Oxford (20142015). At the United Nations Office at Geneva he served as guest speaker at the Sixth Session of the Forum on Minority Issues on Beyond Freedom of Religion or Belief: Guaranteeing the Rights of Religious Minorities (OHCHR), which led to the publication of a set of recommendations by the Human Rights Council. He sits at the International Academic Advisory Board of the Advanced Program on Religion and the Rule of Law at Oxford and is a member of the Editorial Board of the Series Law and Religion in a Global Context, published by Springer, and the editor of the book Latin American Perspectives on Law and Religion. He was a member of the Expert Advisory Group for the International Development of Law Organization (IDLO) study on freedom of religion or belief.



Abbas Panakkal, India

Director of International Interfaith Harmony Initiative, India "Living together in diversity. Matrilineal and other models from Malabar"

Dr. Abbas Panakkal is Director of International Relations, Ma'din Academy, and Director of the International Interfaith Harmony Initiative, which has for the past several years been organizing international interfaith conferences in collaboration with United Nations initiatives, the Malaysian Prime Minister's Department

for Unity and Integration, and the International Islamic University Malaysia. He was a 2016 International Fellow of King Abdullah bin Abdulaziz International Centre for Interreligious

and Intercultural Dialogue (KAICIID) and received another fellowship from Centre for Interfaith & Cultural Dialogue, Griffith University, Australia. He has assisted in coordination of G20 Interfaith Forums pre-conference forums in the Middle East and South Asia. He is a columnist and a poet and contributes to newspapers and magazines and writes and directs documentaries. He has been a presenter in various interfaith events and dialogues held in America, Australia, Germany, France, India, Jordan, Morocco, UAE, UK, and the Vatican.



Rosa Maria Martínez de Codes, Spain

Professor of American History, Universidad Complutense de Madrid, Spain

"Reasonable accommodations in a secularized Europe in the face of integration challenge. Strategies from law and religion" Rosa Maria Martínez de Codes is Professor of American History at University Complutense in Madrid, Spain. She received her PhD in American History at Complutense University in 1985. She has been Vice Director of Religious Freedom at Spanish Ministry of

Justice; General Secretary of Asociación Española de Libertad Religiosa; Vice President of European Association of Americanist (AHILA); Secretary of the International Association Derecho Indiano; Vice President, International Religious Liberty Association (IRLA), Washington DC; Member of Europaea Academy of Social Sciences and advisor of the Scientific Commitee "Observatorio del Pluralismo Religioso" de la Fundación Pluralismo y Convivencia, Ministry of Justice, Madrid; and Member, the Academy of Europe. As main researcher of five National Coordinated Projects she has worked on Ethnic and religious minorities in Europe; Defamation issues and incitement to religious hate; Teaching respect of religions: analysis of phobias and religious stereotypes; Tolerance and Public policies: antiSemitism, Islamophobia and Christianphobia; and, lately, Religions and Secularity in the Western countries. She has conducted seminars and courses at the European University of Florence; Free School of Law, Mexico; National University of the South of Bahía Blanca; National University of Temuco, Chile; Brown University, Providence, Rhode Island, USA; European Academy of Yuste Foundation, and others, and is author of many journal articles and book chapters dealing with religion, state, and society.

Session 3: Majorities and Minorities in Africa, Middle East, and Asia (Auditorium B8-B)



Christof Sauer (Chair)

Professor, Giessen School of Theology

Christof Sauer is Professor for Religious Freedom and Research on Persecution of Christians at the Giessen School of Theology, Germany; part time Professor of Religious Studies and Missiology at Evangelische Theologische Faculteit Leuven, Belgium; and Professor Extraordinary at Stellenbosch University, South Africa, and founding Co-Director of the International Institute for Religious Freedom.



Ewelina Ochab, United Kingdom
PhD Candidate, University of Kent
"A new approach to help Iraqi minorities"

Ewelina U. Ochab is a legal researcher and human rights advocate, and author of the book Never Again: Legal Responses to a Broken Promise in the Middle East. Ochab works on the topic of the persecution of minorities around the world, with main projects including Daesh genocide in Syria and Iraq, Boko Haram atrocities

in West Africa, and the situation of religious minorities in South Asia. Ochab has written over 30 UN reports (including Universal Periodic Review reports) and has made oral and written submissions at the Human Rights Council sessions and the UN Forum on Minority Issues. She is currently working on her PhD in international law, human rights, and medical ethics at the University of Kent. She s a Contributor to Forbes. She has also published in HuffPost, Providence Magazine, Oxford Human Rights Hub, UnHerd, and Washington Examiner. .



Mohamed Saeed M. Eltayeb, Qatar

Human Rights Consultant, Human Rights Department, Qatari Ministry of Foreign Affairs

"The quest for ensuring intra-religious diversity in Islamic tradition"

Dr. Mohamed Saeed M. Eltayeb holds a Bachelor of Laws (University of Khartoum), post-graduate diplomas in international relations (University of Khartoum) and international law & organization for development (Institute of Social Studies, The

Hague), master's degrees in international relations (University of Amsterdam) and international law (Lund University, Sweden), and a PhD in international human rights law (Utrecht University, Netherlands). He has worked at the Netherlands Institute for Human Rights (SIM), International Commission of Jurists (ICJ), Faculty of Law of the University of Khartoum and the Regional Institute for Gender, Diversity, Peace and Rights of the Ahfad University (Sudan) and has been a visiting researcher at institutes in Europe and United States, including the Swiss Institute of Comparative Law of the University of Lausanne, the Human Rights Centre at Essex University, the Law and Religion Program at Emory University School of Law, the Islamic Legal Studies Program at Harvard Law School and Raoul Wallenberg Institute of Human Rights and Humanitarian Law at Lund University. He is currently working as a Human Rights Advisor at the Human Rights Department of the Qatari Ministry of Foreign Affairs.



Shuxi Yin, China

Teacher, Hefei University of Technology, China "Living together with the Muslim minority in Xinjiang"

Professor Shuxi (Simon) Yin received his PhD in Economics from the University of Tübingen, Germany in 2012. He also holds an MPA in International Development from Harvard and a double BA in Economics and Law from Peking University in China. His research focused on inequalities across ethnicities in China. He is currently

teaching at Hefei University of Technology in China. He was the recipient of the Japanese government's Asian Leaders Fellowship Program in 2015, and a Social Science Research Council, also in 2015. His publications include Determinants of Health Inequality in China: An Empirical Study in the Journal of Economic Inequality (2016) and Inequality across Ethnicities in China: Problems and Solutions in Issue & Studies (2015). He has been selected as one of the eight China India Scholar-Leaders for 2017-2019 by the New School, India China Institute.

Session 4: Majorities and Minorities in Europe and the Americas (602 Frings)



Norberto Padilla (Chair)

President, Consorcio Latinoamericano de Libertad Religiosa
Norberto Padilla is founding member and current president of
Consorcio Latinoamericano de Libertad Religiosa (the Latin
American Consortium for Religious Liberty). He was an advisor
and Assistant-Secretary of the Argentine Secretariat of Religious
Affairs, and Secretary for Religious Affairs at the Foreign Ministry,
with the rank of ambassador. He has been appointed on three
occasions by the Pontifical Council for the Promotion of Christian

Unity to ecumenical and Catholic-Jewish conferences.



Rodrigo Cespedes, Chile / Germany

Law & Anthropology Department, Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology [Halle], Germany "Religion and indigenous people in the Americas"

Dr. Rodrigo Cespedes was born in Chile and is a Research Fellow at the Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology (Department of Law & Anthropology). His current research focuses on religious discrimination in school education in a number of countries and within the European human rights system. He is a qualified

attorney at law and holds a PhD in Law from Lancaster University, UK. Previously, he was postdoctoral researcher at Manchester University (UK), where he conducted research on Latin American comparative law (in Chile, Argentina, Colombia, Bolivia, Costa Rica, and the Inter-American human rights system). In his own country he has taught Administrative Law, Environmental Law, and Introduction to the Law at Universidad Católica del Norte in Antofagasta, Chile. Over the course of his professional life he has researched and explored numerous topics ranging from jurisprudence to tax law.



Eugenia Relaño Pastor, Spain / Germany

Senior Researcher, Law and Anthropology Department, Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology

"CUREDI: The new European database on Cultural and Religious Diversity"

Eugenia Relaño Pastor is a senior researcher at the Law and Anthropology Department in the Max Planck Institute (MPI) for Social Anthropology, where she coordinates the development of

a database on cultural and religious diversity (CUREDI), to address the management (and governance) of cultural and religious diversity by providing a new set of data on case law, legislations and regulations, public documents and policies across multiple EU Member States. Prior to joining the Max Planck Eugenia worked as a legal adviser for the Spanish Ombudsman in the Department of Migration and Equal Treatment and as a legal trainer for national human rights institutions in Kazakhstan, Armenia, Macedonia and Turkey. She holds bachelors degrees in political science and in sociology and a doctorate degree in law from the University of Granada. She is an assistant professor at Complutense University (Madrid). She was a Fulbright Fellow in the Salzburg Seminar in 2001. She was member of the Advisory Panel of Experts on Freedom of Religion and Belief, ODIHR-OSCE (2005-2012) and is the Spanish representative member of the Legal Working Group (LWG) of the European Group of National Human Rights Institutions (Council of Europe).



Javier Garcia Oliva, United Kingdom

Senior Lecturer, University of Manchester, United Kingdom "A comparative analysis on the legal regulation of exorcism in England and the United States", with Helen Hall

Dr Javier Garcia Oliva studied Law at the University of Cádiz, where he obtained his first degree, LLM and PhD (cum laude and European distinction). After finishing his first degree, he took up

a lectureship at the University of Cádiz and subsequently, a Research Fellowship at the Centre for Law and Religion, Cardiff University. Javier became a lecturer at the University of Wales Bangor in 2004. In January 2011 he moved to the University of Manchester, where he is currently a Senior Lecturer in Law. Javier is also a Teaching Fellow at University College London (U.C.L.) and the University of Oxford. Dr Garcia Oliva is a Research Associate at the Centre for Law and Religion (Cardiff University), Profesor Visitante del Centro de Derecho Comparado de la Facultad de Derecho de la Universidad de Sevilla, and Visiting Professor at Schulich School of Law, Dalhousive University (Canada). Javier is also the Membership Secretary of the UK Constitutional Law Association and the Book Review Editor of Law and Justice.



Helen Hall, United Kingdom

Nottingham Trent University, United Kingdom

"A comparative analysis on the legal regulation of exorcism in England and the United States", with Javier Garcia Oliva

The Reverend Doctor Helen Hall is a Senior Lecturer at the Law School, Notthingham Trent University, United Kingdom, with teaching responsibilities in Tort, Contract and Family law. She is a qualified solicitor and an ordained Anglican priest and is Associate

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research interest are in the fields of Law and Religion, Tort, Family and Public Law, with a particular interest in law and exorcism/deliverance ministry and the rights and freedoms of children in relation to religion. She is currently working on the Balancing Beliefs project and blog, which accompanies a book, recently co-authored with Javier García Oliva, Religion, Law and the Constitution: Balancing Beliefs in Britain.

AFTERNOON

1:00 - 2:15 pm Lunch (Salão da Pastoral)

BOOK LAUNCH. Religious Freedom and the Law: Emerging Contexts for Freedom for and From Religion, Brett G. Scharffs, Asher Maoz, and Ashley Isaacson Wooley, eds. A volume in the Routledge ICLARS Series on Law and Religion, developed from papers at ICLARS IV in Oxford, UK, September 2016.

2:15 - 3:45 pm PLENARY SESSION II — PRIVATE AND PUBLIC LIFE (Auditorium B6)



Carmen Asiaín Pereira (Chair)
Senator, Parliament of Uruquay

Carmen Asiaín Pereira serves as a senator in the Parliament of Uruguay. She is immediate past president of Consorcio Latinoamericano de Libertad Religiosa, a member of the Judeo-Christian Fellowship, and a founding member and vice-president of the Instituto de Derecho Religioso del Estado (IDRE), and of the International Advisory Council, Canon Law and Ecclesiastical Law General Journal, IUSTEL.



Brett G. Scharffs, United States

Director of the International Center for Law and Religion Studies, United States

"The public / private distinction, religious rights, and the Universal Declaration of Human Rights"

Brett Scharffs is the Rex E. Lee Chair and Professor of Law at Brigham Young University's J. Reuben Clark Law School, and Director of the International Center for Law and Religion Studies. His teaching and scholarly interests include law and religion, legal

reasoning and rhetoric, philosophy of law, and legislation and regulation. Professor Scharffs is a graduate of Georgetown University, where he received a BSBA in international business and an MA in philosophy. He was a Rhodes Scholar at Oxford University, where he earned a BPhil in philosophy. He received his JD from Yale Law School, where he was Senior Editor of the Yale Law Journal. In his eighteen-year academic career, Professor Scharffs has written more than 100 articles and book chapters, and has made over 300 scholarly presentations in 30 countries. His field-creating casebook, Law and Religion: National, International and Comparative Perspectives (co-authored with W. Cole Durham, Jr.), has been translated into Chinese and Vietnamese, with more translations underway. He has served as Chair of the Law and Religion Section of the Association of American Law Schools, and is immediate past Chair of the Law and Interpretation Section of the AALS. He is on the editorial board of the Oxford Journal of Law and Religion and the Advisory Board of the Research Unit for the Study of Society, Law and Religion at the University of Adelaide.



Javier Martínez-Torrón, Spain

Professor of Law and Director of the Department of Law and Religion, Complutense University School of Law "Religion and public morals in Strasbourg case law"

Javier Martínez-Torrón is Professor of Law and Director of the Department of Law and Religion, Complutense University of Madrid and Vice-President of the Section of Canon Law and Church-State Relations of the Spanish Royal Academy of Jurisprudence and Legislation. He is Honorary Foreign Member of

the National Academy of Law and Social Sciences of Cordoba, Argentina; a former member of the Organization of Security and Co-operation in Europe/Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights Advisory Council for Freedom of Religion or Belief; and a member of the Spanish Advisory Commission for Religious Freedom within the Ministry of Justice. His research on law and religion issues is characterized by a predominant interest in international and comparative law. His writings, published in twenty-three countries and in twelve languages, include twenty books as author, co-author or editor, and more than one hundred essays in legal periodicals or collective volumes. His book Conflictos entre conciencia y ley. Las objeciones de conciencia (2nd ed., in collaboration with R. Navarro-Valls, 2012), contains possibly the most complete study published until now on the issue of conflicts between law and conscience.

3:45 – 4:15 pm Refreshments (8th Floor)

4:15 - 5:45 pm PARALLEL SESSIONS II — PRIVATE AND PUBLIC LIFE

Session 1: Perspectives in Private and Public Space (Auditorium B6)



Mark Hill QC (Chair)

Vice President, International Consortium for Law and Religion Studies (ICLARS)



Kyriaki Topidi, Switzerland

Faculty of Law, University of Lucerne, Switzerland
"Faith based education and equality: towards an education
of prejudice? The example of faith schools in England"
Kyriaki Topidi holds a Maîtrise en Droit from the Robert
Schuman Faculty of Law in Strasbourg, an MA in International
Studies from the University of Birmingham (UK) and a PhD in
European Studies

from Queen's University Belfast (UK). She has undertaken extensive research in the areas of minority rights, EU law and public international law. She has participated to a significant numbers of international conferences on various topics and has published widely on these topics. Previous working experience includes positions held at the European Parliament in Brussels, at research centres and NGOs in Germany and Greece as well as at the American University of Athens, as ILEX course leader. Her teaching experience covers primarily European public law, human rights law as well as EU law. She has participated in and managed a number of research projects on EU enlargement, minority protection as well as

on comparative constitutional law. She has recently acted as an expert for the European Parliament on these issues. She joined the University of Lucerne in November 2006.



Fábio Carvalho Leite, Brazil

Professor of Law and Legal Advisor to the Rector, Pontifícia Universidade Católica do Rio de Janeiro

"Controversy about religious education in Brazilian public schools" Fábio Carvalho Leite serves as the Deputy Legal Advisor to the Rector of Pontifical Catholic University of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil (PUC-Rio), where he is a professor and coordinator of Constitutional Law. He graduated from PUC-Rio in 1999, and earned a Doctor in Law from Rio de Janeiro State University in

2008. He is member of the Constitutional Law Commission of the Order of Brazil Lawyers. He is also a Researcher on Productivity at National Research Council (CNPq) with a research project about Free Speech (and Its Limits). His publications include State and Religion: Religious Liberty in Brazil (Juruá 2014), Freedom of Expression and the Right to Honor: New Guidelines to an Old Problem, in Fundamental Rights and Constitutional Jurisdiction, Clemerson Cleve & Alexandre Freire, eds (Revista dos Tribunais 2014), and Declaratory Action of Constitutionality: Expectation, Reality and Some Propositions, Sequência: Federal University of Santa Catarina Law Review 2014.

Ana María Celis Brunet and Sebastián Zárate Rojas, Chile

"A Comparative analysis of Pope Francis' media coverage. Religious freedom and the secular state"



Ana María Celis Brunet is associate professor in the Faculty of Law, Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile (UC), where she teaches canon law and law and religion, as well as post graduate courses. She received her license and doctoral degree in canon law at the Pontificia Università Gregoriana (Rome). She is an ecclesiastical lawyer before the Ecclesiastical Court of Santiago and Director of El Centro UC Derecho y Religión at UC, a center for studying Church-State matters and promoting religious freedom. She was secretary and President (2013-2016) of Consorcio Latinoamericano de

Libertad Religiosa and is current President of ICLARS.



Sebastián Zárate Rojas, Chile

Assistant Professor, School of Communication, Universidad de los Andes, Chile

Sebastián Zárate Rojas is Assistant Professor at the School of Communication at the University of Los Andes (Chile) He earned a doctorate as a Graduate Fellow of the Marion B. Brechner First Amendment Project at the University of Florida. He holds a PhD in Law from the University of Bristol (England) and a PhD in Communication Law from Universidad Compmletense de Madrid

(Spain). He worked for eight years an Assistant Professor of Law at the Catholic University of Chile. He has served as the General Counsel of the Chilean National Press Association, and Counsel of the Chilean Media Ethics Committee and has been editor Editor of Revista Lainoamericana de Derecho y Religión and member of the Board of Direcotrs at Centro UC Derecho y Religión, Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile.



Thiago Felipe Alves Pinto, Brazil / United Kingdom

DPhil Candidate, Oxford University, United Kingdom "Freedom of religion or belief and protection of places of worship.

A human rights based analysis of the Al Mahdi case at the International Criminal Court"

Thiago holds an LLB (Hons.) from Centro Universitário Curitiba (Brazil) and a Master's Degree in International Human Rights Law from Åbo Akademi University (Finland). He is currently in the fourth year of his DPhil in Law at the University of Oxford,

researching on the topic of offence to religious belief in International Human Rights Law. Thiago has been actively involved with NGOs and international organizations, having worked in the past with the UN Special Rapporteur on Freedom of Religion or Belief and at IOM. He is currently working as a tutor in Human Rights Law at the University of Oxford.

Session 2: Religious Freedom, Religious Freedom, State Neutrality, and Education (sponsored by the Research Projects REVESTRA and NESPUPRI, funded by the Spanish Ministry of Science and based at Complutense University) (session in Spanish without translation) (Auditorium B8-B)



Javier Martínez-Torrón (Chair)

Professor of Law, Universidad Complutense de Madrid

Javier Martínez-Torrón is Professor of Law and Director of the Department of Law and Religion, Universidad Complutense de Madrid, and Vice-President of the Section of Canon Law and Church-State Relations of the Spanish Royal Academy of Jurisprudence and Legislation. He is a former member of the OSCE/OHIHR Advisory Council for Freedom of Religion or Belief;

and a member of the Spanish Advisory Commission for Religious Freedom within the Ministry of Justice.



Santiago Cañamares Arribas, Spain

Professor of Law and Academic Secretary, Law and Religion Department, Universidad Complutense de Madrid

"Una revisión crítica de la posición del TEDH sobre la 'excepción ministerial' en la sentencia Karoly Nagy v. Hungría del Tribunal de Estrasburgo"

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María José Valero Estarellas, Spain

Lecturer, Centro Universitario Villanueva

"Neutralidad del estado y prohibición de arbitrariedad en los últimos pronunciamientos del Tribunal Europeo de Derechos Humanos"

María José Valero received a Bachelor of Law (Universidad Pontificia de Comillas ICAI-ICADE) in 1998. She was a practicing lawyer in the Litigation Department of the firm Cuatrecasas

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Ana María Vega Gutiérrez, Spain

Catedrática de Derecho Eclesiástico del Estado, Universidad de La Rioja, Spain

"La educación como estrategia jurídico-política en los planes de prevención del radicalismo violento"

Ana María Vega Gutiérrez received a degree in law (University of Oviedo, 1988) and canon law (University of Navarra, 1990), a Doctor in Law (University of Navarra, 1993), and a University

Specialist in Bioethics (University of Valladolid, 1996). She is Professor of Ecclesiastical Law of the State and Director of the UNESCO Chair of Democratic Citizenship and Cultural Freedom of the University of La Rioja. Academic correspondent of the Royal Spanish Academy of Jurisprudence and Legislation. She has been awarded the Distinguished Cross of 1st Class of the Order of San Raimundo de Peñafort, granted by the Ministry of Justice of the Spanish Government in April 2017. She has been an expert on numerous sessions of the Sub-Commission on the Promotion and Protection of Human Rights, the Human Rights Committee, and the United Nations Committee on the Rights of the Child and the Committee of the Regions of the European Union.



Silvia Meseguer Velasco, Spain

Department of International Law, Ecclesiastical Law and Philosophy of Law, Universidad Complutense de Madrid, Spain "Neutralidad, diversidad y celebración de las festivaded religiosas en las escuela pública"

Silvia Meseguer Velasco is Contracted Professor in the Faculty of Law of the Complutense University of Madrid and Accredited Professor of Ecclesiastical Law of the State and Corresponding Academic of the Royal Academy of Jurisprudence and Legislation.

She is a member, among other associations in the field of her discipline, of the Consociatio Internationalis Studio Iuris Canonici Promovendo, of the Latin American Consortium of Religious Liberty and of the Spanish Association of Canonists. She is the author of the monographs The financing system of the Catholic Church through tax exemptions (2000), and Public transport and religious factor (2017). She is the coordinator and author, among

other books, of Teaching Law in the 21st Century (2009); Religion, Marriage and Right before the XXI Century (2013) and Armed Forces and religious factor (2015). She has published more than twenty articles in national and international legal journals: General Review of Canon Law and Ecclesiastical Law of the State, Yearbook of Ecclesiastical Law of the Spanish State, Spanish Magazine of Canon Law, Il Diritto Ecclesiastico, Jus, Rivista di Scienze Giuridic, Comparative Bulletin of Mexican Law, Journal of Public Law.



Belén Rodrigo, Spain

Teacher of Ecclesiatical Law, Instituto de Estudios Bursátiles, Madrid, Spain

"La dieta adaptada a prescripciones religiosas en los comedores escolares"

Belén Rodrigo is Teacher of Ecclesiatical Law, Instituto de Estudios Bursátiles (IEB), Madrid, Spain, teaching the subjects Ecclesiastical Law and Constitutional Law and Children Rights in the Master's Degree Program in Family Counseling and Mediation with Minors.

She holds a Bachelor and PhD in Law from Universidad Complutense de Madrid and is Researcher in research projects in the Complutense Department of Ecclesiastical Law. Her research work is mainly related to the religious freedom of minors, the right to education and conscientious objection. She has work experience as a Director of labor training programs and childhood projects.

Session 3: La vida privada y pública en América Latina (session in Spanish or Portuguese without translation, 602 Frings)



Juan Martin Vives (Chair)

Professor, Universidad Adventista del Plata, Argentina
Juan Martin Vives professor of undergraduate and postgraduate
courses and Director of the Center for Studies on Law and Religion
(CEDYR) at Universidad Adventista del Plata, Argentina. He served
as General Counsel for the university and has held various
positions of academic management.



Norberto Padilla, Argentina

President, Consorcio Latinoamericano de Libertad Religiosa "El pluralismo en la legislación de família y en los sistemas educativos. Alcances y limites"

Norberto Padilla is founding member and current president of Consorcio Latinoamericano de Libertad Religiosa (the Latin American Consortium for Religious Liberty). He pursued a PhD at the University of Buenos Aires, where he was Professor of Constitutional Law at the Faculty of Law and Social Science. He

was an advisor to the Chairman of the Commission for Constitutional Affairs in the Argentina Senate, an advisor and Assistant-Secretary of the Secretariat of Religious Affairs, and Secretary for Religious Affairs at the Foreign Ministry, with the rank of ambassador. He was Professor of Constitutional Law and Member of the Board at the Faculty of Law and Political Science at the Catholic University of Argentina, member of the Argentine Association of Constitutional Law and of the Editorial Board of the review of culture Criterio, former President of Fundación Navarro Viola, member of the Institute of

Constitutional Politics of the National Academy of Moral and Political Sciences, honorary advisor of the Argentine Council for International Relations (CARI), life member of the Argentine Institute of Genealogical Sciences, and founding member of the Board of the Argentine Council for Religious Freedom (CALIR). Since 1972 he has been a co-worker for the Argentine Bishops Conference Commission for Ecumenism and Interreligious Dialogue, and has been appointed on three occasions by the Pontifical Council for the Promotion of Christian Unity to ecumenical and Catholic-Jewish conferences.

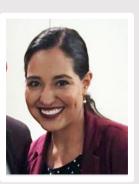


Carmen Asiaín Pereira, Uruguay Senator, Parliament of Uruguay

"La Familia titular de derechos y libertades, especialmente en la educación. Desde los instrumentos de Derechos Humanos a la Constitución uruguaya"

Carmen Asiaín Pereira serves as a senator in the Parliament of Uruguay. She received a doctor in law and social sciences from the University of the Republic and is a professor of law and religion, graduate studies program, at the University of

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Cecilia Palomo Caudillo, Mexico

Mexico Jessup National Administrator, International Law Students Association

"Influencia de los criterios de la Corte Interamericana, en la educación pública y privada en América Latina"

Cecilia Palomo Caudillo is a Professor of International Law of Human Rights and Legal Reasoning at Universidad Panamericana campus Aguascalientes. She is the Jessup National Administrator for Mexico, International Law Students Association. She is

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Jayme Weingartner Neto, Brazil

Professor, Centro Universitário La Salle; Judge, Tribunal de Justiça do Rio Grande do Sul, Brazi

'Ensino religioso nas escolas públicas brasileiras: a diretriz do Supremo Tribunal Federal"

Jayme Weingartner Neto is a Professor in the Master's Program in Law and Society of Centro Universitário La Salle. He was appointed Judge of the Court of Justice of the State of Rio Grande do Sul in August 2012. He graduated from the Law School of Universidade Federal do Rio Grande do Sul and holds a Master's Degree in Juridical-Criminal Sciences from the University of Coimbra, Portugal, and a PhD in State Law from Pontifical Catholic University of Rio Grande do Sul. He has been Attorney General of the State of Rio Grande do Sul and was Secretary General of the Public Ministry of Rio Grande do Sul and Coordinator of the Office of Articulation and Integrated Management. He has worked in numerous courts, and he was a member of the National Management Forum of the CNMP; Coordinator of the Office of Support and Institutional Planning; Chairman of the Executive Committee of Strategic Management of the Public Prosecution Service; Coordinator of the MP Transparency Portal; member of the Computerization Commission of the National Council of Attorneys General and the Support Committee of the World Social Forum. He is author of the books Religious Freedom in the Constitution: Fundamentalism, Pluralism, Beliefs and Cults (2007) and Honor, Privacy and Freedom of the Press: A Criminal Justice Guideline (2002).

EVENING

6:00 – 8:00 pm SPECIAL SESSION in Honor of Lifetime Achievements of Professor Silvio Ferrari and Professor W. Cole Durham, Jr. (Auditorium B6)



Ana María Celis, Chair

President, International Consortium for Law and Religion Studies; Faculty of Law, Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile
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Gerhard Robbers, Germany

Professor Emeritus, Universität Trier; Former Minister of Justice and Consumer Protection of Rhineland-Palatinate

Gerhard Robbers is emeritus professor for public law at the University of Trier, Germany. From 2014 to 2016 he has served as minister of justice and for consumer protection of Rhineland-Palatinate, a federal state of Germany. He received his doctoral degree in law in 1979 and obtained his final law degree in 1980 in Freiburg. From 1981-1984 he served as law clerk to the President of the German Federal Constitutional Court. In 1986 he obtained

his habilitation in Law. From 1988 to 1989 he was Professor of Law at the University of Heidelberg. Since 1989 he has been Professor for Public Law at the University of Trier. He was Director of the Institute for European Constitutional Law and Director of the Institute for Legal Policy at Trier University. From 2008 to 2014, he served in additional office as judge at the Constitutional Court of Rhineland-Palatinate. He has served as an advisor to several national governments and international organizations and has argued several cases of public law before the German Federal Constitutional Court and the European Court of Human Rights.



Brett G. Scharffs, United States

Director of the International Center for Law and Religion Studies, United States

Brett Scharffs is the Rex E. Lee Chair and Professor of Law at Brigham Young University's J. Reuben Clark Law School, and Director of the International Center for Law and Religion Studies. He received a BSBA in international business and MA in philosophy at Georgetown University and a BPhil in philosophy Oxford University. He received his JD from Yale Law School. He has

served as Chair of the Law and Religion Section of the Association of American Law Schools, and is immediate past Chair of the Law and Interpretation Section of the AALS. He is on the editorial board of the Oxford Journal of Law and Religion and the Advisory Board of the Research Unit for the Study of Society, Law and Religion at the University of Adelaide.

8 pm DINNER in honor of Professor SILVIO FERRARI and Professor W. COLE DURHAM, JR.

Fogo de Chão Brazilian Steak House, Av. Reporter Nestor Moreira, s/n - Botafogo, Rio de Janeiro

There will be shuttles from the event to the restaurant and from the restaurant to Atlantis and Everest hotels.

Friday 14

MORNING

9 – 10:30 am PARALLEL SESSIONS III — RELIGIOUS FREEDOM LAWS THAT MAY OR MAY NOT CONTRIBUTE TO LIVING TOGETHER IN DIVERSITY

Session 1: Religious Freedom, the Law, and Diversity (Auditorium B6)



Pieter Coertzen (Chair)

President, African Consortium for Law and Religion Studies
Professor Coertzen is chairperson of the Unit for the Study of Law
and Religion in the Beyers Naudé Centre for Public Theology,
Faculty of Theology, University of Stellenbosch, and President of
the African Consortium for Law and Religion Studies (ACLARS). He
holds seven degrees and has served in many capacities for the
Dutch Reformed Church.



Burkhard J. Berkmann, Germany

Professor, Ludwig Maximilian University of Munich, Germany "Does freedom of religion foster a pluralism of religious laws in Europe?"

Prof. Dr. Dr. Burkhard J. Berkmann holds a chair for Canon Law at the University of Munich since October 2016. Religious pluralism, fundamental rights and their implications on Canon Law are among his primary research interests. He obtained an MA degree

in Philosophy, followed by doctorates in both Law and Theology from the University of Innsbruck, and a Licentiate in Canon Law from the University of Munich. After his habilitation at the University of Lucerne, he was a lecturer and later an associate professor at the theological seminary of St. Poelten (Austria), besides working as a legal advisor and diocesan judge for the Diocese of St. Poelten. He was a visiting scholar at the University of Potsdam in 2009/10, and is a lecturer at the University of Lucerne since 2015.



Werner Nicolaas Nel, South Africa

Lecturer, Tshwane University of Technology and Religious Liberty Commission, South Africa

"The role of religious identity in determining the 'mode of persecution' as a crime against humanity"

Werner Nicolaas Nel is an academic lecturer in law at the Tshwane University of Technology, Pretoria, South Africa, and part-time lecturer at the University of Johannesburg, South Africa. He is a

graduate in Baccalaureus Legum (LLB) and Magister Legum (LLM) in Public International law from the University of Johannesburg. He is also a researcher and doctoral candidate (Doctoral Legum - LLD) in the related fields of International Criminal Law and International Human Rights Law, with specific focus on religious persecution, freedom of religion or belief, and religious advocacy. His doctoral thesis at the Faculty of Law, University of Pretoria is entitled: "International criminal accountability for religious persecution in terms of the Rome Statute: A taxonomy of crimes against humanity of religious persecution."



Barry W. Bussey, Canada

Vice-President Legal Affairs, Canadian Council of Christian Charities; Adjunct Professor, University of Notre Dame Australia "The constitutional promise of religious freedom and the Canada Supreme Court decision in the Trinity Western University case" Barry W. Bussey is Vice-President of Legal Affairs for the Canadian Council of Christian Charities and Adjunct Associate Professor in the School of Law, Sydney at The University of Notre Dame Australia. He obtained a BA in Theology from Union College,

Lincoln, Nebraska, LLB from the Faculty of Law at the University of Western Ontario, MA in Political Science from Memorial University of Newfoundland, and LLM in Constitutional Law at Osgoode Hall Law School at York University (Toronto). He served as pastor for two churches and practiced law for four years before taking the position of Trust Services and Public Affairs and Religious Liberty (PARL) Director at the Ontario Conference of the Seventh-day Adventist Church. He has been General Counsel/Public Affairs Director for the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Canada and worked in Washington DC, New York City, and Geneva as the representative of the International Religious Liberty Association at the US

Congress and the United Nations. He has participated in litigation in charity law at Federal Court, and intervention at lower courts and at the Supreme Court of Canada.

Session 2: Delineating the Contours of Religious Liberty (Auditorium B8-A)



Rosa Maria Martínez de Codes (Chair)

Universidad Complutense de Madrid, Spain

Rosa Maria Martínez de Codes has been Vice Director of Religious Freedom at Spanish Ministry of Justice; General Secretary of Asociación Española de Libertad Religiosa; Vice President of European Association of Americanist (AHILA); Secretary of the International Association Derecho Indiano; Vice President, International Religious Liberty Association (IRLA), Washington DC; Member of Europaea Academy of Social Sciences and advisor of

the Scientific Commitee "Observatorio del Pluralismo Religioso" de la Fundación Pluralismo y Convivencia, Ministry of Justice, Madrid; and Member, the Academy of Europe.



Christof Sauer, Germany / South Africa

Giessen School of Theology; Evangelische Theologische Faculteit; Stellenbosch University

"The Freedom of Thought Report of the International Humanist and Ethical Union. A critical assessment of methods and outcomes of a transnational comparison of FoRB"

Prof. Dr. Christof Sauer is Professor for Religious Freedom and Research on Persecution of Christians at Giessen School of Theology, Germany, part time Professor of Religious Studies and

Missiology at Evangelische Theologische Faculteit Leuven, Belgium, and Professor Extraordinary at Stellenbosch University. He is also founding Co-Director of the International Institute for Religious Freedom (Bonn – Cape Town – Colombo – Brasilia – Brussels/Geneva) and the World Evangelical Alliance's observer on the WCC Commission of the Churches on International Affairs. He lives in Giessen, Germany and Cape Town, South Africa. He has written a postdoctoral habilitation thesis on martyrdom and mission at Wuppertal Protestant University and has been editor of the International Journal for Religious Freedom. He has been involved in the audit of methodology and outcomes of "World Watch List" on persecution of Christians.



Priscilla Regina da Silva, Brazil

Pontifícia Universidade Católica do Rio de Janeiro, Brazil "The sacred boundaries of liberty: an analysis of hate speech against religion"

Lawyer Priscilla Regina da Silva graduated in Law from Pontifícia Universidade Católica do Rio de Janeiro (PUC-Rio), where she also earned a Masters in Theory of State and Constitutional Law and is now a PhD student in the same subject. She did post graduate

work in Public Law and Private Law at the Foundation Superior School of the Public Prosecutor of Rio de Janeiro - FEMPERJ. She was a scholarship researcher in the Scientific Initiation Program. In summer 2018 she was a member of the select Charter Class of the International Center for Law and Religion Studies' (ICLRS) Advanced Program on Religion and the Rule of Law held in Oxford, United Kingdom.



Gregory Mose, France

PhD Candidate, Aix-Marseille Université, France "'Ceci n'est pas un gateau.' The distorting effects of standards of review in religious freedom cases"

Born in Los Angeles, California, Gregory Mose is a graduate of Duke University School of Law (JD) and Harvard University (AB English Literature). His professional experience includes corporate securities law in London and public international law with the UN High Commissioner for Refugees in West Africa.

Courses taught include Global Politics for the International Baccalaureate and a course in International Humanitarian Law at Sciences Po in Aix-en-Provence. Currently he is working on his PhD at Aix-Marseille University. His doctoral dissertation is a comparative study of approaches to religious freedom in US courts and in the European Court of Human Rights, in particular focusing on how each court uses weighs conflicting claims in religious freedom cases. Legal work experience includes refugee law with the UNHCR in Guinea and corporate securities with Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer in London.

Session 3: Impacts of Legal Change on Religious Liberty (Auditorium B8-B)



Jessica Giles (Chair)

Law Lecturer, The Open University, United Kingdom
Jessica Giles is a law lecturer at the Open University Law School and Director of PILARS (Project on Interdisciplinary Law and Religion Studies at the Open University). She runs a Master's Degree course on Business Law, Social Responsibility and Human Rights and Research Methodology, is a team member on an undergraduate course on public and criminal law.



Evaldo Xavier Gomes, Brazil

Conferencia Nacional dos Bispos do Brasil

"Living together in the Americas: recent developments on the protection of the right to freedom of religion in the Inter-American human rights system"

Fr. Evaldo Xavier Gomes is Prior Provincial of the Order of the Carmelites Provincial Chapter of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. For many years, beginning in 2001, he lived in Rome, where he was Director of the printing house of the Carmelite Order in Rome, Edizioni

Carmelitane. Fr. Gomes has a degree in law from the Faculty of Law at the Universidade Federal de Minas Gerais, Brazil and Bachelor of Theology Faculty of Theology of Lugano Università della Svizzera Italiana, Switzerland. He has a PhD and Masters in Canon Law and Civil Law from Pontificia Università Lateran in Rome. He has written articles on Canon Law and Church and State relations and is a member of the editorial board of the Brazilian Canon Law Review. He was a postdoctoral student of Law Department of the European University Institute, Florence, Italy (2009-2010); Professor of International Law of the Pontifical Urban Università of Rome, Italy; and Universidade Academic Visitor at Oxford, England. He is a member of Bar Association of Brazil Sectional Minas Gerais (OAB / MG).



Marek Szopski, Poland

Senior Lecturer, English Institute, Warsaw University

"Politicization of religion in contemporary Poland - from freedom
of religion to religious autocracy"

Marek Szopski has Master's degrees in English Philology and Sociology from Warsaw University and a PhD in Sociology from the University of Notre Dame, Indiana. He is currently on the faculty of the English Institute of Warsaw University (IA), and at the Academy of Social Sciences (SAN) in Warsaw. Marek Szopski

has also lectured at the Communication Department and at the Sociology Department of the Appalachian State University, NC. At the University of Notre Dame, IN, he taught courses in Social Movements, Self and Society, and Introduction to Sociology. He translated into Polish and had published a *General Theory of Authority* by Yves R. Simon in 1998. He was also a co-translator of the *History of the United States of America*, ed. by A. Bartnicki and D. Critchlow, into Polish. In 2005 he published a handbook of *Intercultural Communication* in Polish. In 2011 he translated *Solidarity: The Self-Limiting Revolution* by Jadwiga Staniszkis. Recently he co-authored a chapter in *Gender, Religion and Migration* ed. by G.T Bonifacio and V. S.M. Angeles, published in Canada. At present he is working on an expanded version of *Intercultural Communication*. He is also invited to comment on social and political issues on the Polish media.



Greg Walsh, Australia

Senior Lecturer, School of Law, the University of Notre Dame Australia

"Same-sex marriage and religious liberty"

Greg Walsh was educated at The Australian National University, where he completed a combined Bachelor of Laws/Science degree and a Graduate Diploma in Legal Practice. He completed a Master of Laws degree at the University of Sydney and a Doctor of Philosophy degree at Curtin University. Greg's research

interests include torts, medical law, human rights law, and the intersection between law and religion. He is a member of the Australasian Association of Bioethics and Health Law and the NSW Medico-Legal Liaison Committee. He has lectured at Western Sydney University and The University of New South Wales. He has worked in various legal roles in Australia and overseas, including working for the Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions, the medical negligence department of Maurice Blackburn Lawyers, and the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights.

Session 4: Leyes de libertad religiosa en América Latina (in Spanish or Portuguese without translation) (602 Frings)



Waldecir Gonzaga (Chair)

Pontifícia Universidade Católica do Rio de Janeiro

Pe. Waldecir Gonzaga is Dean of the Department of Theology at Pontifical Catholic University of Rio de Janeiro (PUC-Rio) and teaches at Instituto Superior De Ciências Religiosas da Arquidiocese do Rio de Janeiro (ISCR). Father Waldecir holds a PhD in Biblical Theology from the Pontifical Gregorian University

in Rome. In 2015 he was named Rector of Igreja do Sagrado Coração de Jesus (the Church

of the Sacred Heart of Jesus) PUC-Rio. He is delegate of the Conference of Catholic Theological Institutions for Latin America (COCTI).



Joel Portella Amado, Brazil

Professor, Department of Theology, Pontifícia Universidade Católica do Rio de Janeiro

"Influência ou autonomía: reflexões a respeito da incidência religiosa na elaboração de leis numa sociedade democrática" Dom Joel Portella Amado is professor at the Department of Theology at Pontifícia Universidade Católica do Rio de Janeiro

(PUC-Rio). He studied Philosophy at the Aloisian Institute of the Society of Jesus and Theology at PUC-Rio, where he obtained a Master's degree in Theology and a PhD in Pastoral Theology. He also studied Law at the State University of Rio de Janeiro (Uerj). His scholary work in Theology focuses on Theological Anthropology and Pastoral Theology, working mainly on evangelization, inculturation, and urbanization. Dom Joel is an auxiliary bishop of the Archdiocese of São Sebastião do Rio de Janeiro. He has served as Vicar General; Archdiocesan Pastoral Coordinator; parish priest of the Metropolitan Cathedral; Member of the Presbyteral Council and of the College of Consultants; Administrative Director of the Museum of Sacred Art; Director of Archdiocesan Archives; Archivist of Cabido Metropolitano de São Paulo; and the Commission of Liturgical Pastoral, with responsibility liturgical texts.



Oscar Díaz Muñoz, Peru

Constitutional Court of Peru

"La neutralidad del estado como respeto por la diversidad religiosa en el Perú"

Oscar Díaz Muñoz has a PhD in Law from the University of Zaragoza (Spain) and a Licentiate in Law from the Pontifical Catholic University of Peru. He is advisor and former Secretary to

the Constitutional Tribunal of Peru and Professor of Constitutional Law in the Graduate School at the University of San Martín de Porres (Peru). His publications include: El derecho fundamental de libertad religiosa: jurisprudencia y doctrina constitucional, 2014 (The Fundamental Right of Religious Freedom: Jurisprudence and Constitutional Doctrine); El derecho constitucional de libertad religiosa del menor: familia, escuela y tratamientos médicos, 2010 (The Constitutional Law of Religious Freedom for Minors: Family, School, and Medical Care); La moción de censura en el Perú, 1997 (The Motion of Censure in Peru); and numerous articles on Constitutional Law and Human Rights, appearing in various books and law journals published in Peru and other countries..



Juan G. Navarro Floria, Argentina

Professor of Law, Pontificia Universidad Católica de Argentina "El proyecto de ley de libertad religiosa para la Argentina y la intervención de las confesiones deligiosas en el ámbito público" Dr. Juan G. Navarro Floria graduated in law from Pontificia Universidad Católica of Argentina, where he teaches civil law, ecclesiastical law, and law and religion in Latin America. He earned a PhD in Law from Complutense University (Spain). He was Chief Advisor to the Secretariat of Religious Affairs of the

Argentine Government; founder, board member, and past president of the Argentine Council of Religious Freedom (CALIR); and founder and past president of the Latin American Consortium for Religious Freedom (Consorcio Latinoamericano de Libertad). He is a member of the Academic Advisory Board of the International Center for Law and Religion Studies (ICLRS-BYU) and of the National Committee 'Justicia y Paz' at the National Conference of Catholic Bishops in Argentina, and is founder and member of the Steering Committee of the International Consortium for Law and Religion Studies (ICLARS—Milan) and a Member of the Section of Family Law and BioLaw of the National Academy of Law and Social Sciences.

10:30 - 11:00 am Refreshments (8th Floor)

11:00 am - 12:45 pm PLENARY SESSION III — RELIGIOUS FREEDOM (LAWS THAT MAY OR MAY NOT CONTRIBUTE TO LIVING TOGETHER IN DIVERSITY) (Auditorium B6)



Gerhard Robbers (Chair)

Emeritus Professor, Universität Trier

Gerhard Robbers has been professor of public law and Director of the Institute for Legal Policy at Universität Trier, minister of justice and for consumer protection of Rhineland-Palatinate, law clerk to the President of the German Federal Constitutional Court, Director of the Institute for European Constitutional Law, and judge at the Constitutional Court of Rhineland-Palatinate.



Jónatas Machado, Portugal

Professor, Faculty of Law, Universidade de Coimbral

Prof. Doutor Jónatas Eduardo Mendes Machado is Professor of International Public Law and European Union Law at the the Faculty of Law of the University of Coimbra (Portugal), and the Director of its lus Gentium Conimbrigae Human Rights Centre. He obtained a Master's degree with a thesis entitled Religious Freedom in an Inclusive Constitutional Community and a PhD

degree, with a thesis entitled "Freedom of Expression". He is the author of several books, including Liberdade Religiosa numa Comunidade Constitucional Inclusiva (Religious Freedom in a Inclusive Constitutional Community), Estado Constitucional e Neutralidade Religiosa - Entre Teísmo e o (Neo)ateísmo (Constitutional State and Religious Neutrality - Between Theism and (Neo)atheísm), Liberdade de Expressão (Freedom of Expression), Direito Internacional (International Law), and Direito da União Europeia (Law of European Union).



Carmen Asiaín Pereira, Uruguay

Senator, Parliament of Uruguay

"Discriminating to fight discrimination? A perspective from freedom of religion or belief advocacy"

Carmen Asiaín Pereira serves as a senator in the Parliament of Uruguay. She received a doctor in law and social sciences from the University of the Republic and is a professor of law and religion, graduate studies program, at the University of Montevideo and a professor of law and religion and of health law,

graduate program, Facultad de Teología del Uruguay Monseñor Mariano Soler. She is immediate past president of the Latin American Consortium for Freedom of Religion and Belief. She has participated as a panelist on religious liberty and law and religion at international conferences, and at the UN, and has published papers internationally on many topics. Dr. Asiaín is a member of the Judeo-Christian Fellowship and a founding member and vice-president of the Instituto de Derecho Religioso del Estado (IDRE), Uruguay, and of the International Advisory Council, Canon Law and Ecclesiastical Law General Journal, IUSTEL. As an attorney accredited by the National Ecclesiastical Court (Uruguay and Argentina) and a partner at the law firm of Pollak & Brum, she is a litigator in matrimonial canon law. She is an advisor and litigator in cases involving freedom of conscience and religion or belief against the State.



Scott Isaacson, United States

Regional Advisor for Latin America, International Center for Law and Religion Studies "Finding solutions to culture war issues. The example of the Utah Compromise"

Scott Isaacson is Senior Fellow with the International Center for Law and Religion Studies of the J. Reuben Clark Law School, Brigham Young University, and a member of the International section of the law firm Kirton McConkie. He advises domestic and

foreign businesses and not-for-profit organizations regarding all aspects of international trade and business, with specific emphasis in Latin America. He previously served as International Legal Counsel for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, supervising all of the church's legal work in South America. As part of this position, he managed international real estate acquisitions and construction, complex litigation and international arbitration, international tax compliance for not-for-profit organizations, government relations, and legal implementation of new programs. On a regular basis, he makes presentations at international seminars held in countries such as Chile, Argentina, and Mexico about legal matters related to non-profit and religious organizations. Isaacson is recognized as one of Utah's Legal Elite in international law.

AFTERNOON

1:00 – 2:00 pm Lunch (Salão da Pastoral)

2:15 - 4:00 pm PLENARY SESSION IV — STRUCTURAL AND INSTITUTIONAL LEVEL APPROACHES TO CHALLENGES OF DIVERSITY (Auditorium B6)



Juan G. Navarro Floria (Chair)

Pontificia Universidad Católica de Argentina

Juan G. Navarro Floria teaches civil law, ecclesiastical law, and law and religion at Pontificia Universidad Católica of Argentina. He was Chief Advisor to the Secretariat of Religious Affairs of the Argentine Government; founder and past president of the Argentine Council of Religious Freedom (CALIR) and of Consorcio Latinoamericano de Libertad Religiosa.

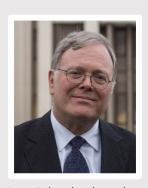


Rajeev Bhargava, India

Director Institute of Indian Thought, Centre for the Study of Developing Societies, New Delhi

"The state, religious diversity, and principled distance" Rajeev Bhargava is Professor and former Director of the Centre for the Study of Developing Societies (CSDS), Delhi (2007-2104). He was Professor at the Centre for Political Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU), New Delhi (1980-2005), and was Head, Department of Political Science, University of Delhi (2001-2005).

He has an MPhil and DPhil from Oxford University and is Honorary Fellow, Balliol College, Oxford and Professorial Fellow, Australian Catholic University, Sydney. He has been a Fellow at Harvard University; University of Bristol; Institute of Advanced Studies, Jerusalem; Wissenschaftskolleg, Berlin; and the Institute for Human Sciences, Vienna. He has also been Distinguished Resident Scholar, Institute for Religion, Culture and Public Life, Columbia University, and Asia Chair at Sciences Po, Paris. Bhargava's publications include Individualism in Social Science (1992), What is Political Theory and Why Do We Need It? (2010), and The Promise of India's Secular Democracy (2010). His edited works are Secularism and Its Critics (1998) and Politics and Ethics of the Indian Constitution (2008). His work on secularism and methodological individualism is internationally acclaimed.



W. Cole Durham, Jr., United States

Professor of Law and Founding Director, International Center for Law and Religion Studies, J. Reuben Clark Law School, Brigham Young University

"Benign secularity as a response to diversity"

Cole Durham is Susa Young Gates University Professor of Law and Founding Director of the International Center for Law and Religion Studies (ICLRS) at the J. Reuben Clark Law School of Brigham Young University. He is a graduate of Harvard College and Harvard

Law School, where he was a Note Editor of the Harvard Law Review and Managing Editor of the Harvard International Law Journal. He has been heavily involved in comparative law scholarship, with a special emphasis on comparative constitutional law. He is a founding Editor-in-Chief of the Oxford Journal of Law and Religion. He served as the Secretary of the American Society of Comparative Law from 1989 to 1994. He is an Associate Member of the International Academy of Comparative Law in Paris—the premier academic organization at the global level in comparative law. He served as a General Rapporteur for the topic 'Religion and the Secular State' at the 18th Congress of the International Academy of Comparative Law, held in July 2010. He served in earlier years as Chair both of the Comparative Law Section and the Law and Religion Section of the American Association of Law Schools. Professor Durham was President of the International Consortium for Law and Religion Studies (ICLARS) from 2011-2016.

4:00 - 4:30 pm Refreshments (8th Floor)

4:30-5:45 pm PARALLEL SESSIONS IV — STRUCTURAL AND INSTITUTIONAL LEVEL

Session 1: Theoretical Approaches to International Religious Freedom Accords (Auditorium B6)



Thiago Felipe Alves Pinto (Chair)

PhD Candidate, Oxford University

Thiago Alves is in the fourth year of his DPhil in Law at the University of Oxford, researching on the topic of offence to religious belief in International Human Rights Law. He has worked with the UN Special Rapporteur on Freedom of Religion or Belief and is a tutor in Human Rights Law at the University of Oxford.



Michael Wiener, Switzerland / United KingdomOele

Human Rights Officer, Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, Geneva

"Religious freedom accords in international law"

Michael Wiener has been working as a Human Rights Officer in the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR) since 2006 with current focus on the human rights dimensions of preventing and countering violent extremism. He previously worked in the Field Operations and

Technical Cooperation Division and also supported for five years the mandate of the UN Special Rapporteur on Freedom of Religion or Belief. He has been involved in OHCHR's Faith for Rights programme which, through the Beirut Declaration and its 18 commitments, aims at fostering the development of peaceful societies, which uphold human dignity and equality for all and where diversity is not just tolerated but fully respected and celebrated. He was one of the experts who participated in the consultations that drafted the Camden Principles on Freedom of Expression and Equality. He has a Master of Laws from the University of London and also holds a doctoral degree from the University of Trier.



Jessica Giles, United Kingdom

Law Lecturer, The Open University Law School
"A theoretical approach to implementation of religious freedom
accords"

Jessica Giles is a law lecturer at the Open University Law School and Director of PILARS (Project on Interdisciplinary Law and Religion Studies at the Open University). She runs a Master's Degree courses on Business Law, Social Responsibility and Human

Rights and Research Methodology and is a team member on an undergraduate course on public and criminal law. Her research is in the interdisciplinary field of law and philosophical theology. She examines the place of faith in public life, constitutional and international legal structures. Jessica took her undergraduate law degree at Durham University and her masters in international human rights law and European Union law at Bristol University. She studied theology at the Open Theological College and theology of law at Spurgeon's College. She qualified as a Solicitor in 1991 and transferred to the bar (Inner Temple) in 2016. She is on the advisory council of the Kirby Laing Institute for Christian Ethics, Cambridge. She is co-editor of the book Law, Religion and Tradition with

A. Pinn and F.S. Ravitch (Springer 2018), and is an associate editor of the Oxford Journal of Law and Religion.



Zachary Calo, United States / Qatar

Research Scholar, Valparaiso University; Professor of Law, Hamad Bin Khalifa University Law School, Doha "Internal and external coherence: freedom of religion from a global perspective"

Zachary Calo is a Founding Full Professor at Hamad bin Khalifa University College of Law in Doha, an initiative of the Qatar Foundation and North Western University to offer the first Juris Doctor degree in the Middle East. He is also Research Scholar in

Law and Religion at Valparaiso University and Visiting Professor at the Open University, UK. He has previously taught at Valparaiso University Law School, Notre Dame Law School, DePaul University College of Law, and Hangdong International Law School in South Korea. He was visiting fellow at the Brookings Institution, the Pew Forum on Religion and Public Life, and the Institute for Humane Studies. Calo practiced law with Buckley Sandler LLP in Washington, DC. He holds a Bachelor of Arts and a Master of Arts in history from The Johns Hopkins University, a Juris Doctor from the University of Virginia School of Law, and a doctorate in history from the University of Pennsylvania. He is editor of the Agape, Justice, and Law (Cambridge University Press).

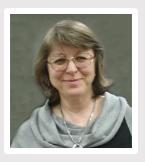
Session 2: Religion-State Structures and Strategies for Living Together in Diversity (Auditorium B8-A)



María Elena Pimstein (Chair)

Secretary General, Pontificia Universidad Católica of Chile
Maria Elena Pimstein is since 2015 Secretary General of Pontificia
Universidad Católica de Chile, where she is assistant professor of
Canon Law and director of the Council of the Center for Law and
Religion at the Faculty of Law. She is a member of the National
Council for the Prevention of Abuse of Minors and Support of
Victims of the Episcopal Conference of Chile. She serves as an
internal consultant of the Legal Department of the Archbishopric

of Santiago de Chile. She was Auditor of Ecclesiasticus National Court of Appeals under the Episcopal Conference of Chile.



Elena Miroshnikova, Russia

Chief Researcher, Pushkin Leningrad State University, Russia "Freedom of conscience as an effective strategy from law and religion"

Elena Miroshnikova is a chief researcher at Pushkin Leningrad State University (S-Petersburg, Russia), Research Center for Religious and ethno-political Studies. Previously she was a professor in the Department of Philosophy, Religion, and Culture

Studies at Tolstoy Tula State Pedagogical University. Among her publications are The Cooperation Model in State-Church Relations: Experience and Problems (Lambert 2011) and, with Derek Davis, The Routledge International Handbook of Religious Education (2012). She is a member of ICLARS, an expert in religious studies, particularly in church-

state relations, and religion and education. She has been a visiting professor at the Church-State Institute of Baylor University (Texas, USA), and a visiting scholar at the International Center of Law and Religion Studies (ICLRS) at Brigham Young University, USA. She is an expert of the Russian Association of Religious Freedom. She is also the recipient of The Honor Worker of Higher Education in the Russian Federation, conferred by the Ministry of Science and Education of Russia.



Graham McGeogh, Brazil

Teacher of Theology, Faculdade Unida de Vitoria "Religious freedom, a national church and 'New Scots': Does a Scottish Muslim need a national church?"

Graham McGeoch is a theologian and minister of the Church of Scotland. He teaches Theology and Religious Studies at Faculdade Unida de Vitória, Brazil. He served on the Executive & Central Committee of the World Council of Churches (2006-2013), and as Deputy Moderator of Churches Together in Britain and Ireland

(2014-2017). He has lived and worked in Africa, Europe, and Latin America and has a special interest in inter-religious dialogue and conflict resolution.

Antonio Fuccillo, Francesco Sorvillo, and Ludovica Decimo, Italy

Università degli Studi della Campania - Luigi Vanvitell / Università degli Studi di Padova "The courts and the code: legal osmosis between religion and law in the cultural framework of civil law systems"



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Islamic Affairs of Kingdom of Morocco (2016). He was lecturer at International Consultation on Religious Freedom Research, Istanbul (2013); Crime and Punishment: Nature, Problems and Perspectives of Canonical Penal Law and its Relation to Civil Law, Washington, DC (2014); Religious Freedom in the Post-Secular Age, Switzerland (2014); Cardiff Festival for Law and Religion – Celebrating the 25th Anniversary of the LLM in Canon Law at Cardiff University and Law and Religion Scholars Network (LARSN) (2016); and 24th World Congress of Political Science – Politics in a World of Inequality, organized by International Political Science Association – IPSA, Poznan (2016).



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Agnes Christian Chaves Faria Alexandrovna Dybova, Brazil

Professor, Pontifícia Universidade Católica do Rio de Janeiro "Recognition of churches by the state and related ties to the state budget"

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Session 3: Law, Religion, Culture - International Experiences (Auditorium B8-B)



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University of Lisbon on the topic religious freedom, social tension
and security.



İsmail Başaran, Turkey

Assistant Professor, Iğdır Üniversitesi Theology Faculty "Religious freedom: Ottoman experience"

Ismail Başaran graduated from the Marmara University Faculty of Theology in 1987 and completed his Ph.D. in Religious History (Conservative Judaism) in 2017 at the Institute of Social Sciences, Ankara University. He also studied for a year at the Jewish Theological Seminary in New York as a visiting scholar. He has been teaching at Iğdır Üniversitesi Theology Faculty in Turkey as

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"Strategies from law and religion in South Africa"

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"Religious freedom, rule of law and le vivre ensemble within religiously diverse secular democracies. Asian perspectives and practices"

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Director, Center for Studies on Law and Religion Universidad Adventista del Plata

"Religion as a source of social cohesion and political legitimacy in Argentina"

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5:45 - 6:15 pm ICLARS GENERAL ASSEMBLY (Auditorium B6)

6:5 pm CONCLUDING REMARKS by ICLARS PRESIDENTS: Silvio Ferrari, Cole Durham, and Ana María Celis (Auditorium B6)

7:00 pm Cocktail (Salão da Pastoral)