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RELIGARE Final Conference

4th & 5th December 2012

Leuven & Brussels (Belgium)



PROGRAMME 4th DECEMBER - Leuven

08.30 – 09.00 Registration

09.00 – 09.30 Introduction and Welcome Panel

- **Bernard Tilleman**, Dean of the Law Faculty, KU Leuven
- **Marie-Claire Foblets**, Coordinator of the RELIGARE project, KU Leuven
- **Prakash Shah**, RELIGARE partner (Theoretical framework), Queen Mary, University of London

09.30 – 10.30 Panel I: Religion and Public Space

Chair: **Jorgen Nielsen**, University of Copenhagen

Speaker: **Silvio Ferrari**, University of Milan

Discussants:

Adam Seligman, Boston University

Christian Joppke, University of Bern

Françoise Tulkens, ECtHR

10.30- 11.30 Panel II: Religion and Work Place

Chair: **Veit Bader**, University of Amsterdam (UvA)

Speaker: **Katayoun Alidadi**, KU Leuven

Discussants:

Lucy Vickers, Oxford Brookes University

Julie Ringelheim, Université Catholique de Louvain

Frank Hendrickx, KU Leuven

11.30 – 11.45 Coffee break

11.45- 12.45 Panel III: Religion and Family Law

Chair: **Werner Menski**, SOAS University of London

Speaker: **Mathias Rohe**, University of Erlangen-Nuremberg

Discussants:

Jean-Yves Carlier, Université Catholique de Louvain

Lena Gannagé, University of Paris II [TBC]

12.45-14.00 Lunch Break

14.00 – 15.00 Panel IV: State Support to Religions and Beliefs

Chair: **Rik Torfs**, KU Leuven

Speaker: **Francis Messner**, CNRS/ PRISME, University of Strasbourg

Discussants:

Cole Durham, Brigham Young University

Pierre-Henri Prélôt, University of Cergy Pontoise

15.00 – 17.30 Panel V: Comparative Perspectives

Chair: **Sergio Carrera**, CEPS

Speakers (First part):

Pasquale Annicchino / Olivier Roy, EUI

Linda Woodhead, Lancaster University

Lori Beaman, University of Ottawa

16.00 – 16.30 Coffee break

Speakers (Second part):

Eva Brems, University of Ghent

Leon Buskens, University of Leiden [TBC]

Mathias Koenig, University of Göttingen

Discussants:

Rinus Penninx, University of Amsterdam

Eduardo J. Ruiz Vieytez, Deusto University [TBC]

Cécile Laborde, UCL London

18.30 - 20.00 Reception and Drinks

20.00 – 21.30 Evening Panel: Convictions and Beliefs in Future Europe

Moderator: **Marie-Claire Foblets**, KU Leuven

Adam Seligman, Boston University

Marco Ventura, KU Leuven

Shaheen Sardar Ali, University of Warwick

Tore Lindholm, University of Oslo

Keynote Speaker:

Herman van Rompuy, President of the European Council

Practical Information

Dates: 4 December 2012

Location: Leuven

4th December 2012 (Leuven)

Venue: Auditorium Zeger Van Hee, Collegium Falconis

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PROGRAMME 5th DECEMBER - Centre Albert Borschette, Brussels

09.00 – 09.30 Registration

09.30 – 10.00 Welcome Panel

- **Marie-Claire Foblets**, Coordinator of the RELIGARE project – Catholic University of Leuven
- **Louisa Anastopoulou**, Research Programme Officer - Scientific Officer, DG Research, European Commission

10.00 – 10.30 Keynote Speech by José Manuel Durão Barroso, President of the European Commission [*TBC*]

10.30 – 13.00 Panel I: The challenge of religious diversity in Europe

Chair: **Marie-Claire Foblets**, Catholic University of Leuven (K.U.Leuven)

Presentations:

Abdullah An-Na'im, Professor Emeritus, Emory University

José Casanova, Professor, Georgetown University

Heiner Bielefeldt, Professor, University of Erlangen / UN Rapporteur on Freedom of Religion

Respondants:

Tariq Modood, RELIGARE Advisory Board - University of Bristol

Maleiha Malik, King's College London

Jean-François Gaudreault-DesBiens, RELIGARE Advisory Board/ University of Montreal)

Prakash Shah, RELIGARE partner (Theoretical framework)

Open Discussion

13.00 – 14.00 Lunch break

14.00 – 14.30 Keynote Speech by Martin Schulz, President of the European Parliament [*TBC*]

14.30 – 17.00 Panel II: RELIGARE research findings and recommendations for the EU

Chair: **Sergio Carrera**, Centre for European Policy Studies

Presentations:

Mathias Rohe, RELIGARE partner (Religion and the family)

Rik Torfs, RELIGARE partner (Religion and the workplace)

Silvio Ferrari, RELIGARE partner (Religion and the public space)

Francis Messner, RELIGARE partner (Religion and state support)

Respondents:

Jean-Louis De Brouwer, Director, DG Employment, European Commission

Andreas Stein, Head of Unit - Equal Treatment Legislation, DG Justice, European Commission [*TBC*]

Katharina von Schnurbein, Advisor, Bureau of European Policy Advisers (BEPA)

Stephanos Stavros, Executive Secretary, European Commission - against Racism and Intolerance (ECRI), Council of Europe [*TBC*]

Emmanuel Crabit, Head of Unit - Fundamental rights, DG Justice, European Commission [*TBC*]

Open Discussion

17.00 – 17.30 Concluding Speech by Nils Muižnieks, Council of Europe Commissioner for Human Rights [*TBC*]

Practical Information

Dates: 5 December 2012

Location: Brussels (5th December)

5th December 2012 (Brussels)

Venue: Centre Albert Borschette

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