**Conference on Law and Religion**

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and the International Center for Law and Religion Studies at

Brigham Young University (United States)

Oxford, United Kingdom

7-9 June, 2010

**CONFERENCE PROGRAMME**

**Monday, June 7, 2010**

**9-9:30 AM** Arrival and Registration of Participants

**9:30-9:45 AM Welcome:**

**Prof. Timothy Endicott,** Dean, Law Faculty, University of Oxford  
 **Dr. Bernd Wannenwetsch,** Chairman, Theology Faculty, University

of Oxford

**Prof. Malcolm Evans,** School of Law, University of Bristol

**Prof. H. Reese Hansen,** Former Dean, J. Reuben Clark Law School,

Brigham Young University; President, Association of American Law Schools (United States)

**9:45-10:30 AM** **Most Reverend Dr. Kallistos Ware,** Metropolitan of Diokleia, Former Spalding Lecturer of Eastern Christian Studies, University of Oxford

“Authority from an Orthodox Perspective/Trinitarian Social Doctrine”

**10:15-11:00 AM Prof. Paul Fiddes,** Regent’s Park College, University of Oxford

**“**'The Theological Roots of Religious Freedom: Some Islamic and

Christian Hermeneutics”

**11:00-11:45 AM** **Prof. Robert W. Thomson,** Faculty of Oriental Studies, University of Oxford

“From Thinking Theologically to Thinking Legally: the Shaping

of Armenian Canon Law”

**11:45-12:00 PM** **Break**

**12: 00-12:45 PM** **Discussion**

**12:45-1:30 PM** **Lunch (Balliol College Dining Hall)**

**2-3:30 PM** **Afternoon Sessions (Balliol, LR23)**

**Panel 1: Balliol 1**

**“Legal Protection of Holy Places -- Jerusalem, Mount Athos, the Holy  
 See and Kosovo as Case Studies”**

Chair: **Prof. Mark L. Movsesian,** Frederick A. Whitney Professor of Contract Law, St. John’s University School of Law (United States)

**Prof. Leonard Hammer,** Middle East Technical University (Cyprus)

**Dr. Cristiana Cianitto**, University of Milan (Italy)

**Rev. Fr. David-Maria Jaeger,** Pontifical University Antonianum (Rome)

**Prof. Perry Dane,** School of Law, The State University of New Jersey  
 (United States)

**Video Conference:**

**Prof. Marshall Breger,** Columbus School of Law, Catholic University of

America (United States)

**Prof. Robert Destro,** Columbus School of Law, Catholic University of

America (United States)

**Prof. Silvio Ferrari,** Università degli Studi di Milano (Italy)

**2:45-3:00 PM Break**

**3:00-4:00 PM**

**Panel 2: “Religious Autonomy and State Interference – The Eastern Churches,**

**the Law and the State”**

Chair: **Dr. Sebastian Brock,** Oriental Institute, University of Oxford

**Dr. Anthony O’Mahony,** Director of Research, The Centre for

Christianity and Inter-religious Dialogue, Heythrop College, University of

London

**Eran Argov**, Keble College, University of Oxford

**Prof. Lisbet Christoffersen**, Department for Society and Globalization,

Roskilde University Copenhagen University (Denmark)

**Dr. Emre Oktem**, Galatasaray Universitesi (Turkey)

**Elizabeth K. Cassidy,** Deputy Director for Policy and Research, U.S. Commission on International Religious Freedom (United States)

**4:00-5:30 PM**

**Panel 3: Balliol 2**

**“Forum Internum – Forum Externum”**

Chair: **Dr. Nazila Ghanea,** Kellog College, University of Oxford  
**Prof. W. Cole Durham, Jr.,** Susa Young Gates University Professor of Law and Director, International Center for Law and Religion Studies, J.

Reuben Clark Law School, Brigham Young University (United States)

**Joan L. O’Donovan,** Fellow, Theology Faculty, University of Edinburgh

(Scotland)

**Dr. Peter Petkoff**, Brunel University and Regent’s Park College, Oxford

Society for Law and Religion, University of Oxford

**5:30-6:00 PM Vespers, Orthodox Church, 1 Canterbury Road**

**Reception/Dinner (House of St. Gregory and St. Macrina,**

**1 Canterbury Road)**

**Tuesday, June 8, 2010**

**9:25-9:30 AM Welcome:**

**Dr. Peter Petkoff,** Brunel University and Regent’s Park College, Oxford Society for Law and Religion, University of Oxford

**9:30-11 AM** “**Establishment – Disestablishment”**

Chair: **Prof. Lisbet Christofferson,** Roskilde University (Denmark)

**Dr. Joan Lockwood O’Donovan,** University of Edinburg (Scotland)

**Prof. Julian Rivers**, University of Bristol

**11-11:15 AM Break**

**11:15 -12:45 PM** **“The Church and the World: Religion, Secularism and Secularity”**

Chair: **Prof. David Robertson,** St Hugh’s College, Oxford

**Prof. Brett G. Scharffs,** Francis R. Kirkham Professor of Law and

Associate Director, International Center for Law and Religion Studies,

Brigham Young University, J. Reuben Clark Law School (United States)

**Prof. Christopher McCrudden,** Lincoln College

**12:45-2:00 PM** **Lunch (Balliol College Dining Hall)**

**2:00-5:30 PM** **Afternoon Parallel Sessions (Balliol, RP, HSGSM)**

**2:00-3:30 PM Session I: Legal Protection of Holy Places – National, Regional, and International Approaches**

Chair: **Prof. Peter Edge,** Director of Research for the School of Social

Sciences and Law, and Chair of the Law and Religion Group in the Centre

for Legal Research and Policy Studies, Oxford Brookes University

**Rev. Fr. David-Maria Jaeger,** Canon Law Faculty, Pontifical University Antonianum (Italy)

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**Session II: Defamation of Religion**

Chair: **Dr. Javier Oliva,** Bangor, University of Wales

**W. Cole Durham, Jr.,** Susa Young Gates University Professor of Law

and Director, International Center for Law and Religion Studies, J.

Reuben Clark Law School, Brigham Young University (United States)

**Elizabeth K. Cassidy,** Deputy Director for Policy and Research, United

States Commission on International Religious Freedom (United States)

**Michael Wiener,** Human Rights Officer, Office of the High

Commissioner for Human Rights, Special Procedures Division

(Switzerland)

**3:30-4:00 PM Break**

**4:00-5:30 PM Session III: Religious Employment**

Chair: **Prof. Mark Hill QC,** Cardiff Centre for Law and Religion

(Australia)

**Prof. Lucy Vickers,** Oxford Brookes University

**Session IV: Proselytism**

Chair: **Matthew Richards,** Attorney at Law, Kirton and McConkie

(United States)

**Prof. Eileen Barker,** London School of Economics

**Are L. Svendsen,** Jurist; Board Member, Oslo Coalition on Freedom of

Religion or Belief (Norway)

**Revd. Dr. Evaldo Xavier Gomes,** Pontifical University Urbaniana and European University Institute (Italy)

**Dr. Musharraf Hussain,** Christian Muslim Forum

**6:00-7:00 PM** **Reception**

**7:00 PM** **Dinner (Regent’s Park College or Balliol)**

**Wednesday, June 9, 2010**

**8:45-9:00 AM** **Welcome:**

**James R. Rasband,** Dean, J. Reuben Clark Law School, Brigham

Young University (United States)

**9:00-10:30 AM Session I: Themes in European Court Jurisprudence**

Chair: **Dr. Katja Ziegler,** St. Hilda’s College, University of Oxford

**Dr. Liora Lazarus**, Duties and Human Rights, St Anne’s College,

University of Oxford

**Prof. Renata Uitz,** Central European University Legal Studies

Department (Hungary)

**Session II: Religious Symbols**

Chair: **Prof. Steven K. Green**, Center for Religion, Law and Democracy,

Williamette University (United States)

**Prof. Marco Ventura,** School of Law, University of Bristol

**Prof. Perry Dane,** School of Law, The State University of New Jersey

(United States)

**10:30-11:00 AM Break**

**11:00 AM Session III: Identity Cards**

Chair: **Dr. David M. Kirkham**, Senior Fellow for Comparative Law and International Policy, International Center for Law and Religion Studies, J. Reuben Clark Law School, Brigham Young University (United States)

**Prof. Levent Köker**, Gazi University (Turkey)

**Dr. Emre Oktem**, Galatasaray Universitesi (Turkey)

**12:30-1:30 PM Lunch**

**1:30 PM Session IV: Where Do We Go from Here?**

Co-Chairs: **Prof. Malcolm D. Evans,** University of Bristol School of

Law; **Prof. W. Cole Durham, Jr.,** Susa Young Gates University

Professor of Law and Director, International Center for Law and Religion

Studies, J. Reuben Clark Law School, Brigham Young University (United

States)

**2:30 PM Departure**