Emergent Religious Pluralism(s)

An Interdisciplinary Conference at the Woolf Institute Provisional Programme

Tuesday, 17 April

10.45 Registration11.15 Opening remarks

11.30 Panel 1: Politics of Pluralism

The Boundaries of Religious Pluralism in Public Life Zaheeda P. Alibhai, University of Ottawa

Religious Pluralism as a Political Ideal: A Critical Inquiry Élise Rouméas, University of Oxford

Hyper-Performative Multiculturalism: Governance of Religious Diversity in Contemporary China

Jing Wang, Rice University

13.00 Lunch Break

14.30 Panel 2: Interfaith

Religious Pluralism as an Opportunity and Challenge in Interfaith Youth Projects in the UK Lenita Törning, Birkbeck, University of London

'Stripping Back the Layers': Women's Constructions of Faith in Malaysia and the UK Sara Ashencaen Crabtree, Bournemouth University

Martin Buber: Religious Pluralism and Interfaith Dialogue Hanoch Ben-Pazi, Bar-llan University

16.00 Coffee Break

16.30 Panel 3: Pluralism in the Middle East

'We are ONE': Representing Religious Plurality near Turkey's border with Syria Mahiye Seçil Dagtas, University of Waterloo

Religious Pluralism in the Middle East Nicolas Pelham, The Economist

Arab Christians in the Levant: Contested Belonging, Citizenship and Civil Emancipation Heidemarie Winkel, University of Bielefeld

18.00 Keynote

Liberal Citizenship, Pluralism and Muslims in Europe Nasar Meer, University of Edinburgh

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9.30 Panel 4: Theologies of Pluralism

Don't Touch My Heart!? A 'Political Theology of Vulnerability' as a Possible Resource for Answering (Religious) Diversity

Michaela Neulinger, Institute for Systematic Theology

Anekāntavāda (The Theory of Many-Sidedness of Reality) and the Challenges of Religious Pluralisms in India: An Exploration

Priyambada Sarkar, University of Calcutta

Religious Pluralism versus Exclusionism: Recognition versus Misrecognition Douglas Giles, University of Essex

11.00 Coffee Break

11.30 Panel 5: Modes of Pluralism

Turning the Kaleidoscope, or Religious Pluralism Inside Out? A Perspective from Berlin's Jewish Scene

Vanessa Rau, University of Cambridge

Pluralism within Islam: Varieties of Intra-Religious Experience in Sri Lanka Arun Rasiah, Holy Names University, California

The Emergence of Different Conceptions of Religious Pluralism in Myanmar Madlen Krüger, University of Münster

13.00 Lunch Break

14.00 Panel 6: Islam in the West

Islamic Cosmopolitanism: Muslim Minorities and the Future of Religious Pluralism in North America and Europe

Carl Morris, University of Central Lancashire

Progressive Mosques as New agents of Religious Pluralism in the West Anna Piela, Leeds Trinity University

Certain Space and Indefinite Places: Sacred Territories and Religious diversity in Rome, Between Global Flows and Marginalisation.

Valeria Fabretti, Center for Religious Studies (ISR) & Piero Vereni (CSPS, Rome)

15.30 End