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CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

FRIDAY, 8 JUNE 2018

09.30-09.45 Registration

09.45-10.15 Addresses

- **Achilles C. Emilianides**, Professor, Dean, School of Law, University of Nicosia
- **Giuseppe Giordan**, Associate Professor, Co-Ordinator of the Joint PhD Program, University of Padova
- **Maria Stylianou Lottides**, Commissioner for Administration and Protection of Human Rights

10.15-10.45 Keynote Speech

Marco Ventura, Professor, University of Siena.

Chair: **Achilles Emilianides**, Dean, School of Law, University of Nicosia

10.30-10.45 Discussion

10.45-11.00 Coffee Break

11.00-13.15 First Session:

Human Rights and Religious Diversity

Chair: **Siniša Zrinščak**, Professor, University of Zagreb

First Table

11.00-11.20 *The Enforcement of Sharia in a Secular State.*

*The Boundaries between Multiculturalism and 'Laicité'
according to the Jurisprudence of the ECtHR*

Nikos Koumoutzis, Assistant Professor, University of Nicosia

Christos Papastylanos, Assistant Professor,

Head of Department of Law, University of Nicosia

11.20-11.40 *'Wearing' Religion. The Precarious Relationship between
Religious Tolerance and the Values of a Democratic Society*

Eleni Micha, Teaching Fellow, University of Athens

11.40-12.00 *Human Development Indicators and their Relation to
Religious Confessions and Institutions in Europe
and the Americas*

Jason Garcia Portilla, Swiss-Latin American Centre of the
University of St Gallen (PhD Cand.)

12.00-12.15 Discussion

Second Table

12.15-12.35 *Is there a Right to Choose a Religious Jurisdiction over the Civil
Courts? The Case of Minority in Western Thrace*

Eleni Kalampakou, PhD, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki

12.35-12.55 *The Religious Exemption in EU Labour Law*

Achilles C. Emilianides, Professor, Dean, School of Law,
University of Nicosia

Christina Ioannou, Associate Professor, Associate Dean,
School of Law, University of Nicosia

12.55-13.15 Discussion

13.15-15.00 Lunch Break

15.00-17.10 Second Session:

Religious Human Rights and Policy

Chair: **Christina Ioannou**, Associate Professor, Associate Dean,
School of Law, University of Nicosia

First Table

15.00-15.20 *The Governance of Religious Freedom in Spain. A Reflection of the Available Policy Instruments*

Mariana Rosca, Human Rights Institute, University of Deusto,
Bilbao (PhD Cand.)

15.20-15.40 *Does Civil and Citizenship Education Lead to Less Religion? An Analysis of Students' Attitudes towards the Influence of Religion in Society*

Matteo Tracchi, Human Rights Centre, University of Padova
(PhD Cand.)

15.40-16.00 *Executing Parental Values in the Public Education. Conflicting Use of Human Rights Narrative during the Croatian Education Reform*

Siniša Zrinščak, Professor, University of Zagreb
Antonija Petričušić, Assistant Professor, University of Zagreb
Dario Čepo, Assistant Professor, University of Zagreb

16.00-16.15 Discussion

Second Table

16.15-16.35 *The Intersectionality of Human Rights Violations in the Universal Supervision of the Freedom of Religion*

Antal Berkes, Manchester International Law Centre

16.35-16.55 *The Relationship between Religion and Human Rights. A Study of India's Caste System*

Adriana Michilli, Human Rights Centre, University of Padova
(PhD Cand.)

16.55-17.10 Discussion

17.10-17.25 **Coffee Break**

17.25-18.40 Third Session:

Religion, Human Rights and Modernity

Chair: **Odysseas Christou**, Assistant Professor, Associate Head,
Department of Law University of Nicosia

17.25-17.45 *Universal for the West? The relation between Culture, Religion and Human Rights in Modern and Postmodern Thought*

Petra Klug, Research Associate, University of Bremen, (PhD Cand.)

17.45-18.05 *Is the Church Open to Gender and Sex Diversity?*

Ino Kehrer, Human Rights Centre, University of Padova (Phd Cand.)

18.05-18.25 *Surfing Modernity. Orthodox Christianity and the Question of Human Rights*

Marco Guglielmi, Human Rights Centre, University of Padova
(Phd Cand.)

18.25-18.40 Discussion

SATURDAY, 9 JUNE 2018

09.45-10.15 Keynote Speech

Effie Fokas, Research Fellow, Hellenic Foundation for European and Foreign Policy

Chair: **Giuseppe Giordan**, Associate Professor, Co-Ordinator of the
Joint PhD Program, University of Padova

10.15-10.30 Discussion

10.30-13.00 Fourth Session:

Theoretical Approaches

Chair: **Christos Papastylanos**, Assistant Professor,
Head of Department of Law, University of Nicosia

First Table

10.30-10.50 *Global Discourses for a Better Life.
Human Rights and/versus Religion*

Giuseppe Giordan, Associate Professor, University of Padova

10.50-11.10 *Some Thoughts on the Role Played by Religion*

Elena Pariotti, Professor, University of Padova

11.10-11.30 *Operationalizing Religious Freedom. Challenges and Opportunities for Empirical Sociology*

Olga Breskaya, University of Padova (PhD Cand.)

11.30-11.45 Discussion

11.45-12.00 **Coffee Break**

Second Table

12.00-12.20 *Faith for Rights. The 2017 Beirut Declaration and its Potential Impact on Human Rights Law. Public Reason, Vulnerability and Human Rights Justification*

Paolo de Stefani, Professor, University of Padova

12.20-12.40 *Economics (Neoliberalism) as Religion. Commonalities and Differences*

Roberto De Vogli, Professor, University of Padova

Rosella De Falco, Human Rights Centre, University of Padova (PhD Cand.)

12.40-13.00 *Moral Panic, Religious Movements and Contemporary Conservative Populism*

Rafal Smoczyński, Institute of Philosophy and Sociology, Polish Academy of Sciences

13.00-13.15 Discussion

13.15-15.00 **Lunch Break**

15.00-17.35 **Fifth Session:**
Topics in Religion and Human Rights

Chair: **Paolo De Stefani**, Professor, University of Padova

First Table

15.00-15.20 *How does the European Union Talk about Migrant Women and Religion? A Critical Discourse Analysis of the Migration Agenda of the European Union*

Paola Degani, Professor, University of Padova

Christina Y. Ghane, Human Rights Centre, University of Padova (PhD Cand.)

15.20-15.40 *Security Threats and Human Rights Violations. How Securitization of Islam led to Religious Discrimination in the West*
Elena Mara, Research Assistant, University of Nicosia (PhD Cand.)

15.40-16.00 *Moldovan Orthodoxies. Social Insecurity, Political Borders and Debate about Religious Freedom*
Davide N. Carnevale, University of Padova (PhD Cand.)

16.00-16.15 Discussion

Second Table

16.15-16.35 *System of Church-State Relations and Freedom of Art. On the Occasion of the Conseil d' Etat, 25 October 2017, N. 396990*
Ioannis Kastanas, Teaching Fellow, University of Nicosia (PhD Cand.)

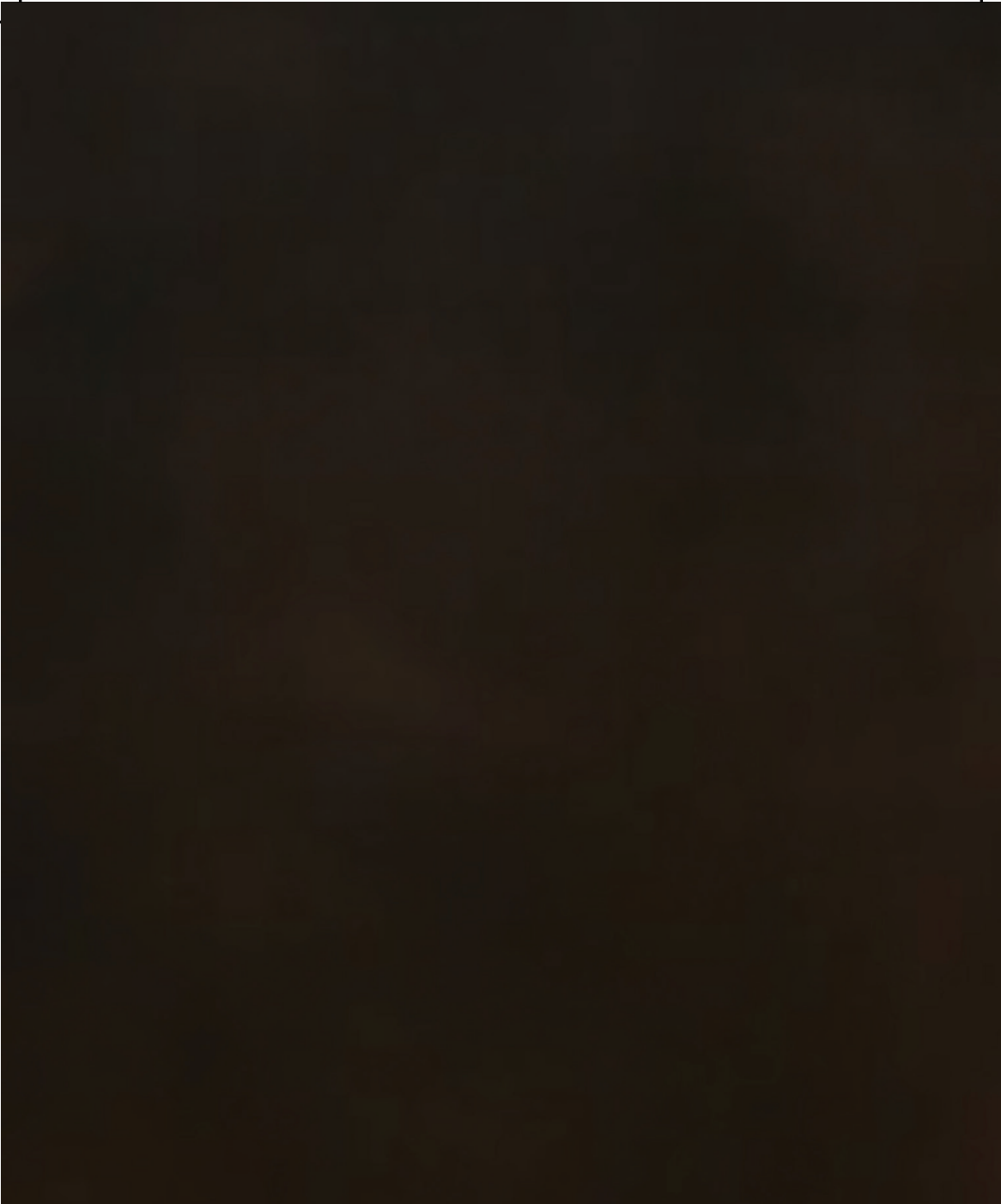
16.35-16.55 *FDI and Peacefulness in Host Countries. A Panel Analysis*
Silvia Marinella Fontana, Human Rights Centre, University of Padova (PhD Cand.)
Roberto Antonietti, Associate Professor, University of Padova

16.55-17.15 *Buying Dreams. Experiences and Mental Health Effects of Labour Trafficking Survivors*
Ahmed Abidur Razzaque Khan (PhD Cand.)
Garry Stevens, Senior Lecturer, Western Sydney University
Saiful Islam Shaheen, International Organization for Migration, Bangladesh

17.15-17.30 Discussion

17.30-17.40 **Closing Speech**
Constantinos Phellas, Professor, Vice-Rector, University of Nicosia

17.40-17.50 **Concluding Remarks**
Giuseppe Giordan, Associate Professor, University of Padova, Co-Ordinator of the Joint PhD Program



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