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DOTTORATO DI RICERCA IN SCIENZE GIURIDICHE

Religious Freedom of Minority Groups in Times of Ongoing Crisis

Messina, Room 5, Department of Law,
May 22-23, 2025

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FIRST SESSION: MAY 22 2025

15.00

INSTITUTIONAL GREETINGS

Cinzia INGRATOCI

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Maria D'ARIENZO

(University of Naples and President of ADEC)

INTRODUCTORY REMARKS

15.30 - 16.30

CHAIR:

Peter PETKOFF

(University of Oxford)

SPEAKERS:

Javier MARTÍNEZ TORRÓN

Complutense University, Madrid and President of ICLARS

*“Relations between State and religion:
some lessons from the COVID-19 pandemic”*

Jeffrey HAYNES

(London Metropolitan University)

*“Religious Freedom, Religious Minorities
and International Relations”*

DEBATE

Break

17.00-18.00

SPEAKERS:

Thiago ALVES PINTO

(University of Oxford)

*“Rethinking Limitations to Freedom of
Religion or Belief”*

Mark L. MOVSESIAN

(St. John's University, New York)

“COVID and the rise of the Nones in the US”

DEBATE

SECOND SESSION: MAY 23 2025

9.00-10.15

CHAIR:

Javier MARTÍNEZ TORRÓN

Complutense University, Madrid and President of ICLARS

SPEAKERS:

Peter PETKOFF

(University of Oxford)

*“Emergency Rules and Weaponisation
of Religious Cultural Heritage”*

Alexis ARTAUD DE LA FERRIERE

(Royal Holloway, University of London)

*“Meaning making in times of crisis
management: moral interpretations of
emergency rules”*

Adina PORTARU

(ADF International)

*“Figel v. Slovakia: a precedent-setting case at
the European Court of Human Rights?”*

Break

10.30.-11.30

Andrea PIN

(University of Padua)

*“When Is Freedom Dangerous?
Religious Freedom between Polarization,
Weaponization, and Reconciliation”*

Regina ELSNER

(University of Münster)

*“Religious freedom in war.
The securitization of religion in Russia's war
against Ukraine”*

DEBATE

11.30

Adelaide MADERA

(University of Messina)

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