**Annual Conference, 13-15 July 2022**

Edgbaston Park Hotel, University of Birmingham, UK

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| Day 1: Wednesday 13 July |
| **11:00 – 12:30: In-person Registration Opens** |
| **12:30 – 14:00: Lunch** |
| **14:00-15:30: Plenary Session 1** |
| **Welcome**: Fern Elsdon-Baker**Keynote**: *Religion, Science and Prejudice: Conflict Narratives and the Stigmatisation of Muslim Identity*Stephen H. Jones, University of Birmingham |
| **15:30-16:00: Refreshments, Virtual meet-up** |
| **16:00 – 17:30: Panel Session 1** |
| VIRTUAL PANEL: TBC | **PANEL: Non-religion and Disenchantment**Chair: TBC*“Science v Religion” – exploring the role and use of the conflict narrative amongst US and UK Atheists*Carola Leicht, University of Kent*Science Media, Non-religion and Atheism: Affective engagement and its implications* Will Mason-Wilkes, University of Birmingham*Science and Dis/Enchantment in Britain*Amy Unsworth, University College London (UCL) | **PANEL: Topics in Psychological Research and the Covid-19 Pandemic**Chair: TBC**NB: This session will run until 18.00***The Impact of Identity Salience on perceptions of the Religion-Science Relationship*Sally Barker, University of Maine*The development of biological and cultural understandings of death in Tana Toraja, Indonesia*Melanie Nyhof, Carthage College*Believing in science: (Dis)trust in science links religiosity, religion-science compatibility beliefs, and political orientation to vaccine hesitancy during the COVID-19 pandemic*Emily Tippins, Renate Ysseldyk, Claire Peneycad & Hymie Anisman, Carleton University*Religion and non-religion in Greek society during the Covid-19 pandemic: The instrumentalisation of science and the process of secularisation*Alexandros Sakellariou, Hellenic Open University*Making sense of Covid-19 through the Lens of the Yoruba Indigenous Ritual Practices*Abosede Omowumi Babatunde, University of Ilorin, Nigeria |
| **17:30-19:00: Free time (& hotel check-in)** |
| **19:00 – 21:00: Dinner** |

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| Day 2: Thursday 14th July |
| **09:00 – 10:30: Panel Session 2** |
| **VIRTUAL PANEL: Selling (Con)spirituality, Science and Covid-19**Chairs: Enqi Weng and Anna Halafoff, Deakin University*Selling (Con)spirituality, Covid-19 and Countering D/Misinformation in Australia*Anna Halafoff and Emily Marriott, Deakin University*The Body as Evidence of Truth: Biomedicine and Enduring Narratives of Religious and Spiritual Healing*Alexandra Roginski, Deakin University*Spirituality, biomedical technologies and “healthy” lifestyles: a sociological approach* Maria del Mar Griera, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona | **PANEL: Science and Belief in Reproductive Healthcare**Chair: TBC*A cross-national analysis of the relationship between religion and reproductive technology*Amy Adamczyk, City University of New York*Common Anthropological Concerns and Different Answers. A Comparison of the Catholic, Jewish, and Islamic Approaches to Surrogacy* Fabio Bolzonar, Université Libre de Bruxelles**AND****PANEL: Measurement Techniques in Science and Belief in Society**Chair: TBC*From ‘First-Order’ to ‘Second-Order’ Survey Measures of Science and Religion*James Riley, University of Birmingham*Exploring your research community: exploiting big data techniques to discover Science and Religion emerging authors*Reynaldo Rivera, Universidad Austral | **PANEL: Science and Belief Research in Brazil: Prospecting New Paths**Chair: Tiago Garros, TeachBeyond Brazil*Virtue epistemology as a useful tool for the study of science and belief in society*Marcelo Cabral, Unicamp*Correspondences between engagement in science-and-religion education and self-reported intellectual character*Tiago Garros, TeachBeyond Brazil*Science and Religion as Portrayed in Secondary School Textbooks in Brazil*Lucas Miranda, Universidade Federal de Juiz de Fora |
| **10.30 - 11.00: Refreshments, Virtual meet-up** |
| **11:00 – 12:30: Plenary Session 2** |
| **Panel:** *Building the Study of Science and Belief as a Sub-Discipline: Insights from a Sociological Perspective*John H. Evans, University of California San DiegoElaine Howard Ecklund, Rice UniversityShiri Noy, Denison UniversityFern Elsdon-Baker, University of Birmingham |
| **12:30 – 14:00: Lunch****13:00-13:45:** Workshop– *Registered Reports and the Open Science of Religion*Jordan LaBouff, University of Maine; Kevin Ladd, Indiana University South Bend |
| **14:00 – 15:30: Panel Session 3** |
| **VIRTUAL PANEL: Science, Belief and Health** Chair: TBC*Science, Health and Beliefs in the context of the Covid-19 pandemic in Argentina: a quantitative approach*Gabriela Irrazabal, National Scientific and Technical Research Council (CEIL - CONICET, Argentina). /National University Arturo Jauretche (UNAJ)*Science and Religion in everyday life: the case of Catholic Women users of Assisted Human Reproduction Techniques (ARTs) in Argentina* Ana Lucia Olmos Alvarez, National Scientific and Technical Research Council (CONICET, Argentina)/National University of Avellaneda (UNDAV, Argentina)*Popular Culture and the Management of Mental Health Cases in Nigeria*Ganiyat Tijani-Adenle, Lagos State University School of Communication | **PANEL: Science and Religion in Latin America in the 21st Century: Challenges for Education**Chair: Heslley Silva, University Center of Formiga/MG – UNIFORMG*Teaching evolution in Perú: A small sphere*Andrea Villaseca Robertson, San Marcos National University*Evolution and Creationism in the Brazilian Public School Curricula*Alandeom W. Oliveira, State University of New York at Albany*Between scientific views and religious beliefs: How do Colombian biology teachers understand the nature?*Gonzalo Peñaloza, Centro de Investigación y de Estudios Avanzados del IPN (CINVESTAV)*The influence of intelligent design on teaching evolution: the perceptions of Biology teachers in three Latin American countries*Heslley Silva, University Center of Formiga/MG – UNIFORMG | **PANEL: History of Science: 17th-19th century**Chair: TBC*Geology and Genesis on a Mission: Samuel Kinns, William Carruthers, and ‘Day-Age Theory’ in 1880s Britain*Dr Richard Fallon, University of Birmingham*Philosophical Feelings in the Dark: Female Philosophers and Embodied Cartesian Physics*Rebekah Wallace, University of Oxford*Bernard Bolzano: the Mathematical Priest of Prague*Steve Russ, University of Warwick*Divine Anthropology and the Uses and Evolution of ‘Degeneration’ Arguments in 18th and 19th Century Racial Theorizing* Nathan Bossoh, University College London |
| **15:30 – 16:00: Refreshments, Virtual meet-up** |
| **16:00 – 17:30: Panel Session 4** |
| **VIRTUAL PANEL: Stereotypes, Prejudice, and Identity**Chair: TBC*Varieties of compatibility: Religious orientations, identity, theistic intellectual humility, and the science and religion conflict/compatibility scale*Ron Wright, Southern Nazarene University*Increasing Christians’ participation in science and reducing negative stereotypes through communal attributes*Cameron Mackey, Ohio University*The Role of Faith and Science Dialogue in Non-Religious Identity Formation: A Kenyan Perspective*Kevin Muriithi Ndereba, Pan Africa Christian University | **PANEL: Media Representation and Popular Science**Chair: Will Mason-Wilkes“*Kosher Science”: Legitimizing National Geographic for Haredi Publics*Lea Taragin-Zeller, Hebrew University of Jerusalem*Has Noah’s ark been found? Not so fast. Who’s to blame for the tabloidisation of archaeology, or how to sell science cheap in the press*Katarzyna Jarosz, International University of Logistics Poland*A View from the Heavens: The Distributed Affect of Three Photographs of Earth and How the Transformation Perspective Exposes an Intersection Between “Science and Religion”*Anthony Nairn, York University -- Department of Humanities; ISSR -- executive assistant*Natural theology 2.0? Recent trends in popular science*Charlotte Sleigh, UCL | **PANEL: Science and Islam**Chair: TBC*Islam and Evolution – Mapping the Interdisciplinary Dimensions*Shoaib Ahmed Malik*Crossing Worlds and Remaking Networks: Negotiating Islam and Science within British Muslim Educational Institutions*Saleema Burney, University of Birmingham*Important, thus private: Young Turkish women’s views on the question of science and religion* Alper Yalcinkaya, TED University, Ankara Turkey*Islam, Science and Gender: Negotiating Boundaries in two case studies in Spain and Morocco*Rosa Martinez Cuadros, Universitat Autonoma of Barcelona |
| **17:30 – 19:00: Break** |
| **19:00 – End: Conference Dinner** |

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| Day 3: Friday 15th July |
| **09:00 – 10:30: Panel Session 5** |
| **VIRTUAL PANEL: Education and Learning**Chair: TBC*Between secular and spiritual learning: Scientific and spiritual discourses in singing bowl sound healing*Linda Annunen, Åbo Akademi University*Possibilities and Advantages of Dialogue between Science and Religious Education in Israel?*Nigmeh Kadan Abu Toameh and Rachel S. A. Pear, University of Haifa*Religious Beliefs and Medical Science Training in Nigeria: Evidence from Selected Faith-Based Universities*Nathaniel Umukoro, Western Delta University, Nigeria*Religious Radicalism and Western Scientific Education: Boko Haram in Northeast, Nigeria in perspective*Luke Amadi, Kingsley Ozumba Mbadiwe University,Nigeria | **PANEL: Science, Belief, and Society in Sri Lanka**Chair: TBC*The Impact of Religion, Science and Rationalism on Identity, Identity Politics and Education Policy in Post-independence Sri Lanka*Siri Hettige, University of Colombo*Buddhism and Science: Reconciling Science and Religion in British Colonial Sri Lanka*Premakumara de Silva, University of Colombo*Narrative of King “Ravana” Mythology or redefining Sinhalese identity; A study based on public discourse related King Ravana*Veranga Wickramasinghe, Gampaha Wickramarachchi University of Indigenous Medicine  | **PANEL: Topics in the Sociological Study of Science and Belief**Chair: Stephen Jones*An alternative God. The non-Christian divine imaginary of Lithuanian and Ukrainian natural scientists* Maria Roginska, Institute of Philosophy and Sociology Pedagogical University of Krakow*Science and Religion´s moral and epistemological conflict perceptions in Argentina*Arturo Fitz Herbert, Universidad Austral *The emotional markers of political controversies at the intersection of science and religion in Spain*Rafael Cazarin, Autonomous University of Barcelona*The Conflict Narrative as a Discursive Resource: Views of Covid-related Science and Acceptance Among Various Faiths in Germany* Tom Kaden, University of Bayreuth and Amrei Sander, University of Leipzig |
| **10.30 - 11.00: Refreshments, Virtual meet-up** |
| **11:00 – 12:30: Panel Session 6** |
| **VIRTUAL PANEL: Topics in Science and Belief in Society**Chair: TBC*Different tools, the same result; confirmation of high evolution acceptance among educated Iranians using MATE (Measure of Acceptance of the Theory of Evolution)*Hossein Masigol, Sharif University of Technology*Science, Religion and International Space Diplomacy: A tale of two Telescopes*Adam Shapiro*Robots and religions: a matter of rationality?* Lionel Obadia, University Lyon 2 France*Social intellectual virtues for interdisciplinary studies of science and belief in society*Claudia E. Vanney, Universidad Austral | **PANEL: History of Science: 20th Century**Chair: TBC*Science and Atheism in early twentieth-century Spanish Anarchism*Jaume Navarro, University of the Basque Country (UPV/EHU)*Engineers communicating science. Identities, controversies and the science-religion conflict in fin-de-siècle Spain* Javier Sierra de la Torre, Universidad del País Vasco*Early Twentieth-Century Neo-Thomist Receptions of Science*Ignacio Silva, Instituto de Filosofía, Universidad Austral*From materialism to vitalism: Narratives of the history of evolutionary biology among twentieth-century Australian scientists*Joel Barnes, University of Queensland | **PANEL: Science and Belief in Healthcare** Chair: TBC*Religious Restrictions in Access to Comprehensive Care at the University of California*Dalena Ngo, Yale University*Temporalities of care during Ramadan in a Jordan audiology department*Timothy Loh, Massachusetts Institute of Technology*Prayer Camps: An Emerging Borderland of Health Care for Psychiatric Patients in Ghana?*Francis Benyah, Åbo Akademi University *Religiosity, Boundary Drawing, and Medical Mistrust Among Women and People of Color*Oneya Okuwobi, Rice University |
| **12:30 – 14:00: Lunch** **13:00-13:45**: *Network meeting* |
| **14:00-15:30: Panel Session 7** |
| **VIRTUAL PANEL: Topics in the History of Science and Contemporary Applications**Chair: TBC*Religious Contexts of Discourses on Nature: The Case of early-modern Comets*Anna Jerratsch, Max Planck Institute for the History of Science*Secularism, science, and belief in Mexico: nineteenth-century narratives as the basis for contemporary scientific discourse*Juan Manuel Rodriguez-Caso, UPAEP*Fr. Pedro Arrupe and the making of a sociotechnical imaginary for Jesuits*Joseph Satish Vedanayagam, University of Hyderabad, India*Race, Religion and the Construction of Scientific Expertise in India, 1920-50*Sayori Ghoshal, Krea University | **PANEL: Topics in Education, Climate Justice/Environmentalism**Chair: TBC*National and international comparative perspectives on the study of science, religion and belief in society*Maureen Smith, Newman University *Traditional ecological knowledge, ecosystem based adaptation and the quest for climate justice in South Africa*Philani Moyo, University of Fort Hare, South Africa*‘The Blueberries Dilemma’ – guilt, sin, and environmental inertia* Caroline McCalman, University of Exeter | **PANEL: Topics in Science, Belief, and Society**Chair: TBC*‘The cells must come from kosher-slaughtered animals’: Analysing religious narratives within the cultured meat community* Neil Stephens, University of Birmingham *Crossing disciplinary boundaries in the Study of Science and Belief in Society*Zara Thokozani Kamwendo, St John's College, Durham UniversityAND**PANEL: Trust in Science/ Science Scepticism***Psychological distance to science: Decreasing distance reduces science scepticism*Natalia Zarzeczna, University of Amsterdam*Trust in science and belief before and during the Covid-19 pandemic in Africa*Bankole Falade, Centre for Research on Evaluation, Science and Technology, Stellenbosch University, South Africa  |
| **15:30-16:00: Refreshments, Virtual meet-up** |
| **16:00-18:00: Plenary Session 3** |
| **Panel:** *New Horizons in Science, Belief, and Society*Chair: James Riley, University of BirminghamSpeakers: Charlotte Sleigh, UCLZara Thokozani Kamwendo, St John's College, Durham UniversityCarissa Sharp, University of Birmingham Reynaldo Rivera, Universidad Austral**Closing:** Fern Elsdon-Baker |
| **18:00 – End: Dinner** |