**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 Diego  Elaine Howard Ecklund, Rice University  Shiri Noy, Denison University  Fern 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 University  AND  **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 Birmingham  Speakers:  Charlotte Sleigh, UCL  Zara Thokozani Kamwendo, St John's College, Durham University  Carissa Sharp, University of Birmingham  Reynaldo Rivera, Universidad Austral  **Closing:** Fern Elsdon-Baker | | |
| **18:00 – End: Dinner** | | |