



## INTERRELIGIOUS ENCOUNTERS

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

# DO RELIGIONS HAVE A SIGNIFICANCE FOR EUROPE?

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8th - 10th January 2016,  
Mala dvorana, Lisinski Concert Hall,  
Zagreb, Croatia

Friday 8 January 2016

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- 10:45 – 10:55** **Srećko Koralija** (organiser)  
– Welcome Speech
- 10:55 – 11:30** Official addresses: **Bruno Cadoré**  
(Master of the Order of Preachers),  
**Damir Boras** (rector of the  
University of Zagreb), **Vinko Puljić**  
(cardinal), **Johann Trummer** (Styria),  
**Aziz Hasanović** (mufti of Zagreb),  
**Kotel Da-Don** (rabin)...
- 11:30 – 12:45** Lunch
- 12:45 – 13:05** **Bruno Cadoré** (Rome, Italy)  
– "Religions, Watchmen of the  
Public Space?"
- 13:05 – 13:25** **Kotel Da-Don** (Zagreb, Croatia)  
– "Interreligious Dialogue from the  
Jewish Perspective"
- 13:25 – 13:45** **Gorazd Andrejč** (Cambridge, United  
Kingdom) – "The Role of Religious  
Communities in Negotiating the  
Meanings of Value Concepts in  
European Societies"
- 13:45 – 14:15** Discussion
- 14:15 – 14:30** Break
- 14:30 – 14:50** **Kurt Anders Richardson** (Dallas,  
USA) – "Charisms and Capacities  
for Democratization"
- 14:50 – 15:10** **Hrvoje Špehar** (Zagreb, Croatia)  
– "Rethinking of European  
Secularism: Between Egalitarianism  
and Communitarianism"
- 15:10 – 15:30** **Joseph Ellul** (Rome, Italy) – "Doing  
God' Challenges and Hopes for  
Religion in a Post-Secular Age"
- 15:30 – 16:00** Discussion
- 16:00 – 16:15** Break
- 16:15 – 16:35** **Thomas Eggensperger** (Berlin,  
Germany) – "Individualisation  
and the Sphere of the 'Mundane'.  
A Proposal to Explain Modernisation"
- 16:35 – 16:55** **Rusmir Mahmutćehajić** (Sarajevo,  
BiH) – "God and Scientist:  
Reconsidering the Ground"
- 16:55 – 17:15** **Angelina Vladikova / Karimah  
Stauch** (URI Europe) – "Can Religions  
Help Build a Better Society and  
Better Value Standard, or Do They  
Represent a Kind of Obstacle?"
- 17:15 – 17:45** Discussion
- 17:45 – 18:15** Break
- 18:15 – 19:15** Panel Discussion:  
"Place of Religions?"
- 20:00** Dinner

# Saturday

9 January 2016

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**09:00 – 09:20** **Martin Ganeri** (Oxford, United Kingdom) – "Finding the Right Model for Religious Pluralism in Contemporary Europe"

**09:20 – 09:40** **Dražen Volk** (Zagreb, Croatia) – "Justification of Religion in the Modern Society on the Basis of Philosophy of Ernst Cassirer, Charles Sanders Peirce and Paul Ricoeur"

**09:40 – 10:00** **Marie Monnet** (Bruxelles, Belgium) – "Implicit Theology of European Integration"

**10:00 – 10:30** Discussion

**10:30 – 10:45** Break

**10:45 – 11:05** **Stjepan Baloban** (Zagreb, Croatia) – "Religious Man: Bridge-Maker or an Obstacle for a Rapprochement Between Cultures and People?"

**11:05 – 11:25** **Debora Spini** (Florence, Italy) – "Monotheism and Violence"

**11:25 – 11:45** **Tamara Gazdić Alerić / Marko Alerić** (Zagreb, Croatia) – "Language as a Means of Polarization in Society"

**11:45 – 12:15** Discussion

**12:15 – 13:30** Lunch

**13:30 – 13:50** **Danijel Labaš / Igor Kanižaj** (Zagreb, Croatia) – "Mediatisation of Religion"

**13:50 – 14:10** **Srećko Koralija** (Zagreb, Croatia) – "In the name of God?"

**14:10 – 14:30** Discussion

**14:30 – 15:00** Break

**15:00 – 15:20** **Louis-Léon Christians** (Louvain, Belgium) – "Between Stranger and Strange, the Status of Religious Minorities in Front of the European Court for Human Rights"

**15:20 – 15:40** **Frane Staničić** (Zagreb, Croatia) – "The Freedom of Religion in International Legal Documents"

**15:40 – 16:00** **James Chanan** (Lahore, Pakistan) – "Confronting Religious Violence and Challenges of Christian-Muslim Dialogue in Pakistan"

**16:00 – 16:30** Discussion

**16:30 – 16:45** Break

**16:45 – 17:30** **Michel VanAerde / Srećko Koralija** (Bruxelles, Belgium/Zagreb, Croatia) – "Priests, Prophets, Kings: Faith, Culture, Religion"

**17:30-19:00** Panel discussion: "Directions?"

**20:00** Dinner



Sunday 10 January 2016

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- 13:00** Lunch
- 14:10 – 14:30** **Jasna Jozelić** (Oslo, Norway/BiH)  
– "The Religious Dimensions of Ethnic Identities, Current Negotiations of Nationhood and Political Engineering"
- 14:30 – 14:50** **Kostake Milkov** (Skopje, Macedonia)  
– "The Challenge of 'Other' as Risk and Opportunity for Love"
- 14:50 – 15:10** **Gorana Ognjenović** (Oslo, Norway/Croatia) – "Relationship Religious–Secular: Status Questionis in South-eastern Europe"
- 15:10 – 15:30** **Zorica Kuburić** (Novi Sad, Serbia)  
– "Religion and Reconciliation: The Differences Between the Attitudes of Minorities and Majorities in Bosnia and Herzegovina"
- 15:30 – 16:00** Discussion
- 16:00 – 16:15** Break
- 16:15 – 16:35** **Nebojša Cagorović** (Podgorica, Monte Negro) – "Some Issues Concerning the Relationship between the Church and State as Analysed in Respect of the Recently Proposed Law on Freedom of Confession in Montenegro"
- 16:35 – 16:55** **Aziz Hasanović** (Zagreb, Croatia)  
– "Islamic Community in Croatia: A Model of Established Relationships Between Community and Society"
- 16:55 – 17:15** **Vjollca Krasniqi** (Pristina, Kosovo)  
– "The Politics of State - Building and Religion in Kosovo: An Uneasy Relationship"
- 17:15 – 17:45** Discussion
- 17:45–18:00** Break
- 18:00–19:00** Panel discussion: "Dialogue in the South East Revisited: Theory and Practice"
- 19:00–19:30** End of the Congress
- 20:00** Dinner