

CALL FOR **PAPERS**

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Religion, Politics and
Uncertainty: Shifting
Boundaries

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Religion has always been an important resource helping people in times of uncertainty. The current world is rife with uncertainty: throughout the world societies struggle with the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, recent waves of migration and a torrent of human rights violations of large scale, as well as threatening processes indicated by manifestations of climate change and the like. In these circumstances, religion remains important both in the private life of many believers and in public for a variety of actors, and often enjoys new opportunities to engage in a variety of public roles. Accordingly, we can observe a vigorous return of religion into public space and policies on local, regional, national, transnational and global levels evidenced, for example, by a growing role of religion in implementation of UN Sustainable Development Goals.

With questioning of the secularization thesis and a broadening scope of research to include a variety of non-Western contexts prompted, a public role of religion in modern societies has already been recognized. However, emergent social and political contexts raise new challenges in understanding and conceptualizing religious and secular actors, actions, politics and ideologies, their interactions and boundaries between them. How scholars and various other actors redefine religion in the context of increasingly conspicuous fluidity of boundaries between religion and politics on the transregional, transnational and global levels? How religion is transformed and relocated by diverse and shifting interactions of secular and religious actors, secular and religious ideologies and politics of the past and memory? What impact different historical contexts and their interactions have on the role of religious communities in relation to the increasingly international or global nature of policies and implementing communities? These and other issues related to religions, politics and uncertainty in contemporary societies we invite to discuss by presenting papers based on both empirical (case or comparative) and/or theoretical studies.

SUB THEMES & **ABSTRACT SUBMISSION**



- Conceptualizations of Boundaries of the Public and the Private in the Context of Religion
- Religion and Politics in Regional, National and International Communities
- Religion and International Relations
- Religion and Politics of Climate Change
- Religion and Politics of Gender
- Religion, Power and Politics
- Religion and Human Rights
- Religion, Populism and Ideologies
- Religion and Politics of Migration
- Ethnicity, Politics and Citizenship
- Religion and National Identity
- Religion and Politics of Past and Memory
- Religion and History of Colonialism and Socialism
- Religion, Politics and Media
- Religion and Public Policy
- Public Sociology of Religion
- Religion and Science in Contemporary World
- Religion and the Pandemics

Please submit an
abstract of your
presentation through
a website of the
conference by
September 1, 2021

GENERAL INFORMATION

KEY DEADLINES

Submission of paper and session / panel proposals – September 1, 2021

Notification to authors – September 15, 2021

Early bird registration deadline – September 30, 2021

Final date for authors registration – September 30, 2021

Final program – October 15, 2021

Late bird registration deadline – November 9, 2021

REGISTRATION FEES

	Early bird until 09 01	Late bird until 09 01
ISA RC 22 member	90 Eur	150 Eur
Non member	140 Eur	200 Eur
PHD student ISA RC 22 member	40 Eur	80 Eur
PHD student non member	70 Eur	110 Eur
Conference dinner	50 Eur	60 Eur

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