



FACULTY OF CANON LAW
ST. PIO X
VENICE

THE LEGITIMATE SCOPE OF RELIGIOUS ESTABLISHMENT

March 7-9, 2016

Monday, March 7

18:00 – 19:00 – **Opening session**

Three Conundrums of Establishment: Freedom from Religion; the Neutrality of the State; the Dilemmas of Accommodation

Joseph Weiler, President, European University Institute

19:30 **Dinner**

Tuesday, March 8

9:00 – 10:30 **Religious perspective**

Discussant: [Amichai Radzyner](#), Bar-Ilan University

The Feasibility of a Secular State in the Eyes of Zionist Adjudicators

[Itzhak Brand](#), Bar-Ilan University

The Catholic Church Tested for Establishment Regimes

[Matteo Visioli](#), Faculty of Canon Law S. Pio X, Venezia

Religious Reasons for the Separation of Religion and State

[Gideon Sapir](#), Bar-Ilan University

10:45 – 12:15 **Normative perspective I**

Discussant: [Gideon Sapir](#), Bar-Ilan University

Establishment and Encounter

[Perry Dane](#), Rutgers Law School

The Unavailability of Religious Arguments

[Omri Ben-Zvi](#), Hebrew University

Religion-State Relations and their effects on Human Rights

[Gila Stople](#), College of Law and Business

12:15 – 13:30 **Break**

13:30 – 15:00 **Normative perspective II**

Discussant: [Michael Broyde](#), Emory University

Division of powers: a New Theory of Church-State Relations in Democratic Regimes

[Robert J. Burton](#), University of Notre Dame

The Irrelevance of Disestablishment

[Steven K. Green](#), Willamette University

Conscience Claims: Establishment vs. Free Exercise

[Mark Goldfeder](#), Emory University

15:15 – 16:15 **Normative perspective III**

Discussant: [Gila Stopler](#), College of Law and Business

Church and State in England: Hard Freedoms and Soft Establishment

[Mark Hill QC](#), University of Cardiff and Pretoria University

Symbols, Secular Order, and Establishment

[Zachary R. Calo](#), Hamad Bin Khalifa University

16:30 – 18:00 **Israeli Perspective**

Discussant: [Mark Goldfeder](#), Emory University

Religion in the Israeli Marriage and Divorce System: The "Is" and the "Ought"

[Avishalom Westreich](#), College of Law and Business

Religious Law within a Liberal Democracy: Considering and Cultivating Reciprocal Perspectives

[David C. Flatto](#), Hebrew University and Penn State Law School

The Impact of Israeli Supreme Court Rulings on the Halakhic Status of the Official Rabbinical Courts

[Amihai Radzyner](#), Bar-Ilan University

Wednesday, March 9

8:45 – 10:15 **Comparative perspective I**

Discussant: [Zachary R. Calo](#), Hamad Bin Khalifa University

The Byzantine Heritage and the Contemporary Secular Standards in Democratic States with Predominantly Christian-Orthodox Communities

[Aleksandar Spasenovski](#), Ss. Cyril and Methodius University

Concordant between the Italian State and the Catholic Church: Religious Freedom or State Religion?

[Cristina Fuschini](#), Faculty of Canon Law S. Pio X, Venezia

The (not so unique) American Establishment Clause

[Brett Scharffs](#), BYU Law School

10:30 – 12:15 **Comparative perspective II**

Discussant: [Marco Ventura](#), University of Siena

Separation between State and Religion: a New European Union Model?

[Valentina Fiorillo](#)

Forces of Establishment Vs. The Forces of Neutrality: State-Religion Relations of Nigeria, Germany and the United States of America

[Ahmed S. Garba](#), Bauchi State University

Religious Establishment from the Point of View of Religious Minorities: The Argentinian Case

[Juan Martin Vives](#), Universidad Adventista del Plata

Religious Arbitration in Countries with Established Churches

[Michael J. Broyde](#), Emory University

12:15 – 13:15 **Break**

13:15 – 15:00 **Comparative perspective III**

Discussant: [Brett Scharffs](#), BYU Law School

Gray is the New Black: Illuminating Religious Establishment within Japan's Cultural Palette

[Ashley Gibson](#), Emory University

State Confessionalism and Religious Pluralism in the Judgement of the European Court of Human Rights

[Giorgio Feliciani](#), Faculty of Canon Law S. Pio X, Venezia

Between the Wall of Separation and Religious Establishment: The State-Religion Cooperation in Brazil

[Rodrigo Vitorino Souza Alves](#), Federal University of Uberlândia

A Perspective on Suitable Latitude for Religious Establishments: Contrasting the Student Educational Arena with the Adult Political Square

[Laurence H. Winer](#), Arizona State University & [Nina J. Crimm](#), St. John's University

15:00

Concluding remarks