

**Provisional programme of the 7th ICLARS Conference, ND-BYU 2024
(general structure and plenary sessions)**

*The Accommodation of Religion or Belief in the Public Sphere:
Undeserved Privilege or Fundamental Right?*

Day 1 (21 October):

9:15 – **Welcome, opening ceremony**

9:45 – **Keynote speech:** Malcolm Evans, *Professor of Public International Law, Principal of Regent's Park College, Oxford, UK*

10:30 – Group photo

11:00 – **Plenary session 1 – Accommodation of religion and belief: between individual right and social harmony:**

Chair:

Silvio Ferrari, *Emeritus Professor of Law, Università di Milano, Italy*

Speakers:

Perry Dane, *Professor of Law, Rutgers Law School, U.S.A.*

Li-ann Thio, *Professor of Law, Provost's Chair, National University of Singapore*

Joseph David, *Professor of Law, Sapir Academic College, Israel*

Francois Venter, *Professor of Law, North-West University, South Africa*

12:30 – Lunch

14:30 – **Parallels sessions 1**

16:00 – Coffee break

16:30 – **Parallel sessions 2**

18:00 – End of sessions

19:00 – Dinner

Day 2 (22 October):

9:30 – **Plenary session 2 – Accommodation of religion and belief in the working environment: contemporary challenges in the public and the private sectors**

Chair:

Ana María Celis, *Professor of Law, Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile*

Speakers

Vincent de Gaetano, *Former Judge of the European Court of Human Rights*

Brian Grim, *President of the Religious Freedom & Business Foundation*

Carlos Bernal, *Commissioner of the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights*

Nicholas Aroney, *Professor of Law and Director of the Centre for Public, International and Comparative Law, University of Queensland, Australia*

Ioannis Ktistakis, *Judge of the European Court of Human Rights*

11:00 – Coffee break

11:30 – **Parallel sessions 3**

13:00 – Lunch

14:30 – **Parallels sessions 4**

16:00 – Coffee break

16:30 – **Parallels sessions 5**

18:00 – End of sessions

19:30 – Gala dinner

Day 3 (23 October):

9:00 – **Plenary session 3 – Religion and Human Rights in the West. A Transcontinental Dialogue**

Chair:

Andrea Pin, *Professor of Law, Università di Padova, Italy*

Speakers:

John Witte, *Distinguished Professor of Law and Director of the Center for the Study of Law and Religion at Emory University, U.S.A.*

Stephanie Barclay, *Professor of Law, Georgetown University, U.S.A.*

Marco Ventura, *Professor of Law, Università di Siena, Italy*

Javier Martínez-Torrón, *Professor of Law, Universidad Complutense de Madrid, Spain*

Rodrigo Alves, *Associate Professor of Law, Universidade Federal de Uberlândia, Brazil*

Mark Hill, *Global Distinguished Professor of Law, Notre-Dame University (London Law Programme)*

10:30 – Coffee break

11:00 – **Presentation of Festschrift John Witte. Book award ceremony of John Witte Prize and Routledge Prize**

11:45 – **Parallel sessions 6**

13:15 – Lunch

14:30 – **Parallel sessions 7**

16:00 – **Closing ceremony**

16:30 – **ICLARS General Assembly**