

Religion and IR Section Newsletter
March 2021



Note from our Chair

As we get ready for the first “virtual” ISA conference, between 6-9 April, I want to alert members of the REL section to some of the work we are doing in the Executive Committee. First, REL programme chair, Jonathan Agensky, has put together an excellent programme for the forthcoming “virtual” conference. The REL section was allocated 24 conference panels and roundtables (see below).

Second, our annual REL business meeting will be online a week after the convention, via Zoom, on **Friday, April 16 at 09.00 (Pacific)**. Save the date!

More information will be available soon. We hope to see many of you at the “virtual” conference and at the REL business meeting.

Jeff Haynes, chair, REL

Annual Conference News
REL-Sponsored Panels at the ISA Virtual Conference

Plan your ISA participation around our 24 sponsored panels. For your convenience, we’ve included a list of all our sponsored panels at the end of this newsletter. For more detail on each panel, check the conference program on the ISA website (<https://www.isanet.org/Conferences/ISA2021/Program>).

Annual Religion and IR Section Business Meeting
Virtual (via Zoom)

Here's the invitation to the REL business meeting:

Topic: ISA REL Membership Zoom Meeting
Time: Apr 16, 2021 09:00 AM US/Pacific

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://uoregon.zoom.us/j/97569297007?pwd=SzN0Q0tKWdVRREFzUDcyd3ZqRUlZZz09>

Meeting ID: 975 6929 7007
Passcode: 256113

The meeting is open to all.

Facebook – Twitter – Website

The last year has been a challenge for all of us. The REL Executive Committee has been busy expanding the Section's activities, with a revitalised Facebook group (<https://www.facebook.com/groups/336226026577855>), Twitter page (@religion_ir) and dedicated website (<https://religion-ir.org/>), which features regular, controversial and topical blogs, newsletters, news of REL awards and REL Sponsored Sessions at ISA 2021.

Check us out!

Religion and IR Section Sponsored Sessions
All times EDT

Download a PDF of the session list from our website: <https://religion-ir.org/rel-sessions-2021>

Tuesday, April 6, 2021

- 8:00 AM - 9:15 AM TA19: Religion, Aid, and Governance
11:00 AM - 12:15 PM TC03: Roundtable on William Bain's book: Political Theology of International Order
12:30 PM - 1:45 PM **TD03: Religion & IR 2021 Distinguished Scholar Award Panel Honoring Daniel Philpott**
2:00 PM - 3:15 PM TE12: Religious Actorhood and Conflict Intervention
8:00 PM - 9:15 PM TI43: Religion, Belief, and Perception in the International System

Wednesday, April 7, 2021

- 8:00 AM - 9:15 AM WA35: Religion and Security in the Middle East
9:30 AM - 10:45 AM WB18: A Hail Mary?: Governmental and Inter-Governmental Religious Engagement Across the Legitimacy Gap
9:30 AM - 10:45 AM WB42: Islam, Sectarianism, and Security
11:00 AM - 12:15 PM WC24: Islam in International Relations
11:00 AM - 12:15 PM WC36: Religion and the Anthropocene
12:30 PM - 1:45 PM WD35: New approaches to religion, globalization, and International Relations
12:30 PM - 1:45 PM **WD49: Religion and IR Distinguished Scholar Award Panel Honoring Jocelyne Cesari**
2:00 PM - 3:15 PM WE36: Reinterpreting Secularism in Different Contexts
2:00 PM - 3:15 PM WE39: Quantitative Approaches to Religion and IR 1: Conflicts and Violence
3:30 PM - 4:45 PM WF01: Religion in the Foreign Policy of Emerging Powers
5:00 PM - 6:15 PM WG04: Civilizational Politics and the Crises of the Liberal International Order
5:00 PM - 6:15 PM WG37: Quantitative Approaches to Religion and IR 2: Minorities, Identity, Discrimination, and Sectarianism

Thursday, April 8, 2021

- 11:00 AM - 12:15 PM RC08: Religion and the Making and Unmaking of the Liberal International Order
12:30 PM - 1:45 PM RD45: Political Theology and World Politics: The Continued Relevance of the Theologico-Political in International Relations
3:30 PM - 4:45 PM RF17: After Post-Modernity? Intersections of Religion, Memory, and Populist Nationalism
5:00 PM - 6:15 PM RG30: The Geopolitics of Religious So Power: Theories and Cases
6:30 PM - 7:45 PM RH38: History, Religion and International Relations: An assessment

Friday, April 9, 2021

- 9:30 AM - 10:45 AM FB31: Powers of Religion and the Histories of Global Society

11:00 AM - 12:15 PM FC09: Islam, Islamism, and the Arab Spring