

CALL FOR PAPERS

Forthcoming in Law and Religion Scholars Network (LARSN)

'Annual Law and Religion Conference'

Hosted at the VU University, Amsterdam (NL)

In cooperation with *the Centre for Religion and Law in Amsterdam* and
the Dutch Researchers Network Law and Religion

Friday 19th May 2017

The 2017 LARSN Conference will be held on Friday 19th May 2017 at the VU University in Amsterdam and will be co-organised by Law and Religion Scholars Network Cardiff and the Centre for Religion & Law of the VU University Amsterdam, the last in cooperation with the Dutch Researchers Network Law and Religion.

Papers are invited from both academics and postgraduate research students on any aspect of Law and Religion, preferably on one of the topics mentioned for the panels/sessions. The sessions in which the papers will be clustered are:

- Comparative Religious Law / Canon Law
- Religion and Employment Law
- Law, Religion and Ethics
- Law religion and Media
- Church and State relations
- Philosophy of Law & Religion
- Law and religious communities
- The Reformation Revisited 1517-2017
- General sessions

It is intended that most panels will be held around themes; in addition some general sessions can be held. If you want your paper to be considered for a specific themed panel please tick the box of the relevant panel on the abstract submission form.

To submit a paper for consideration, please complete the abstract submission form providing an abstract of up to 300 words by **Friday 7th April 2017**. The deadline is extended due to technical problems. The form is available on the website of the Centre for Religion & Law.

Your abstract will be reviewed by two experts, who will function also as chairs of the session on 19 May. When your paper is selected, you will receive 15 minutes for the presentation of it on the conference. We are able to accommodate the use of PowerPoint but no other presentational tools. There will be 5 minutes for questions. We might ask you to provide a written copy of your paper as we would like to publish a selection of the papers.

Please complete the abstract submission form on our website by **Friday 7th April 2017**. Feel free to direct any queries to the Centre for Religion and Law (info@religie-recht.nl)

Registration

Registration for the conference is possible via <https://annuallawandreligionconference.eventbrite.nl>. The registration fee for the conference will be 30 EURO. Unfortunately, the Centre is unable to provide administrative support or cover costs for transport and accommodation.

Location

The 2017 LARSN Conference will be held in the buildings of the VU University Amsterdam. The VU University is situated near Amsterdam Schiphol Airport. From there, the campus of the VU University can be reached easily by a short train ride. The Centre for Religion & Law will provide a recommendation of suitable accommodations for those who would like to extend their stay in Amsterdam.

About the organizations

LARSN was established in May 2008 as an initiative led by the Centre for Law and Religion at Cardiff University. It seeks to bring together those who are interested in all areas of Law and Religion: national and international law affecting religion and religious law. It currently has almost 300 members. Membership is free. To become a member please email Dr Russell Sandberg (SandbergR@cf.ac.uk).

The Centre for Religion and Law was instituted in 2001 and is a joint venture of the faculty of theology and the faculty of law at the VU University in Amsterdam. The Centre for Religion and Law believes in the multidisciplinary and multireligious connection between academic knowledge and actual social issues. Researchers are involved in topics as migration, security, freedom, religious communities and their organization, and human rights. Investing in strong connections between institutes, professionals and researchers belongs to the core business of the Centre for Religion and Law, through our academic peer-reviewed journal NTKR: *Tijdschrift voor Recht en Religie* (Journal for Law and Religion) and research network.

The Dutch Researchers Network Law and Religion has been established by some scholars in the field from different universities and aims to bring together researchers in the field of law and religion. Dutch researchers who are invited for this conference and are not yet members of this network are kindly invited to become a member. Follow the directions in <http://centre-religion-law.org/nl/netwerk>.