

International Economic Association Roundtable on The Economics of Religion

10 – 11 July 2017
McGrath Centre, St. Catharine's College

*Organised by Sriya Iyer,
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Programme

Monday 10th July 2017

9:30 – 10:00 *Registration*

Session 1. Opening Session

10:00 – 10:15 Welcome by Sriya Iyer (Cambridge)

10:15 – 10:45 Introductory Address

His Excellency Bishop Marcelo Sánchez Sorondo

Chancellor of the Pontifical Academy of Sciences and Pontifical Academy of Social Sciences

10:45 – 11:30 *Coffee*

Session 2. Panel 1

11:30 – 12:45 **State Religion, Religious Freedom, Institutions and Economic Growth: A Global Perspective**

Chair: Tim Besley (LSE)

Introduced by Jared Rubin (Chapman)

Panelists:

Tim Besley (LSE), Robert Barro (Harvard), Timur Kuran (Duke)

13:00 – 14:00 *Lunch*

Session 3. Economic Theory and Religion

Chair: Sanjeev Goyal (Cambridge)

14:00 – 14:30 Michael McBride (UC Irvine)

Economic Models of Religious Markets: Critical Assessment and Prospects

14:30 – 15:00 Jean-Paul Carvalho (UC Irvine)

Religious Communities: Assimilation, Discrimination and Radicalization (with Michael Sacks)

15:00 – 15:30 Gilat Levy (LSE)

The Intelligent Design of Religious Beliefs

15:30 – 16:00 Coffee

Session 4. History and Religion

Chair: Tiago Cavalcanti (Cambridge)

16:00 – 16:30 Sriya Iyer (Cambridge)

Holy Wars? Temple Desecrations in Medieval India (with Anand Shrivastava and Rohit Ticku)

16:30 – 17:00 Laura Mayoral (Barcelona)

Personal Liberties, Religiosity and Effort (with Joan Esteban and Gilat Levy)

17:00 – 17:30 Joan Esteban (Barcelona)

Liberté, Egalité, Religiosité (with Laura Mayoral and Gilat Levy)

19:00 Dinner (by Invitation) in the Senior Combination Room, St. Catharine's College

Tuesday 11th July 2017

09:30 – 10:00 Coffee

Session 5. Reformations and Religious Freedoms

Chair: Kaivan Munshi (Cambridge)

10:00 – 10:30 Jared Rubin (Chapman)

Endogenous Political Legitimacy: The English Reformation and the Institutional Foundations of Limited Government (with Avner Greif)

10:30 – 11:00 Mark Koyama (George Mason)

The State, Toleration and Religious Freedom (with Noel Johnson)

11:00 – 11:30 Sascha Becker (Warwick)

Effects of the Protestant Reformation

11:30 – 12:00 Coffee

Session 6. Religious Giving

Chair: Edoardo Gallo (Cambridge)

12:00 – 12:30 Daniel Chen (Toulouse)

Theory, Evidence and Relevance of Deontological Motivations

12:30 – 13:00 Dan Hungerman (Notre Dame)

Religious Leadership, Religious Language, and Religious Giving: A Study of Church Bulletins (with Tim Weninger and Chungun Yoon)

13:00 – 14:00 Lunch

Session 7. Panel 2

14:00 – 15:30 How Has Religion Shaped the World?

Chair: Larry Iannaccone (Chapman)

Introduced by Jean-Paul Carvalho (UC Irvine)

Panelists:

Sir Partha Dasgupta (Cambridge), Larry Iannaccone (Chapman), David Maxwell (Cambridge), Rachel McCleary (Harvard)

15:30 – 16:00 *Coffee and Farewells*