SUMMER SEMINAR 2003
ANTWERP - SEPTEMBER 15th - 26th

CHRISTIANITY, ISLAM AND JUDAISM:
HOW TO CONQUER THE BARRIERS TO INTERCULTURAL DIALOGUE?
SUMMER SEMINAR

If the prospect of clashing civilisations is to be avoided, a profound understanding of the barriers to intercultural dialogue is required. The seminar wants to contribute to building this understanding by offering scholarly insight into historical, philosophical, religious and socio-economic barriers to peaceful and prosperous intercultural exchange and cohabitation at local as well as global level.

The programme (in English) offers 16 lectures and 6 workshops, delivered and led by renown academics and covers different disciplines and themes.

TARGET GROUP

The seminar is of interest to graduate and postgraduate students and scholars in the humanities and the social sciences. Course enrolment is limited to a maximum of 30 participants. This group is intended to be multidisciplinary, international and inter-religious.

THE EVENING PROGRAMME IS OPEN TO A BROAD PUBLIC.
The summer seminar is organised by the University Centre St-Ignatius Antwerp (UCSIA).

UCSIA is an independent, international and multidisciplinary college focusing on issues of religion, culture and society. It is an offspring of the St-Ignatius University College of Antwerp (Universitaire Faculteiten Sint-Ignatius Antwerpen - UFSIA). The Centre was founded by the Jesuit Order and members of UFSIA, and it works within the Christian tradition.

Its main objective is to provide an international and interdisciplinary platform for academic research, education and social service contributing toward the creation of a better and more just society. More specifically, the Centre wishes to help establish better understanding between cultures and religions.

The Centre offers scholarships and research facilities for international scholars on sabbatical leave and to postgraduates and doctoral students. It also organises summer seminars and supports international conferences and publications.

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MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2003

INTRODUCTION

Introduction to the seminar by
C. Timmerman, University of Antwerp

Religions and Dialogue by
C. Cornille, Boston College

Reflection by panel of experts with
L. Abicht, University of Antwerp,
E. Platti, Catholic University of Leuven,
T. Ramadan, University of Geneva
and
N. Solomon, Oxford Centre for Hebrew and Jewish Studies

Historical Introduction on Muslim Spain by
C. Adang, University of Tel Aviv
and
J.P. Monferrer Sala, University of Cordoba

OFFICIAL OPENING SESSION AT THE CITY HALL

with
Cardinal G. Danneels, Archbishop of Malines - Brussels
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2003  PEACE AND CONFLICT

Lectures by
L. Bouguerra,
*Fondation pour le progrès de l’Homme in Paris*

and
A. Margalit, *University of Jerusalem*

Workshops by
L. Abicht, *University of Antwerp*

and
B. Khader, *Catholic University of Louvain-la-Neuve*

OPEN LECTURE ON GENDER

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2003  GENDER

Lectures by
C. Cornille, *Boston College*

and
C. Vander Stichele, *University of Amsterdam*
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2003  **HUMAN RIGHTS**

Lectures by
M-C. Foblets, *Universities of Leuven and Antwerp*
and E. Hirsch Ballin, *University of Tilburg*

Workshops by
D. Vanheule, *University of Antwerp*
and research team

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2003  **NATIONALISM AND ETHNICITY**

Lectures by
S. Mardin, *Sebanci University, Istanbul*
and E. Roosens, *Catholic University of Leuven*

Workshops by
C. Timmerman, *University of Antwerp*
and research team

**DEBATE ON RELATION TURKEY - EUROPE**
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2003  RELIGIOUS MINORITIES

Lectures by
H. Teule, Institute for Eastern Christianity, Nijmegen
and Ch. Van Nispen, Coptic Catholic Seminar, Cairo

Workshops by
G. Bebawi, University of Cambridge
and J. Waardenburg, University of Lausanne

OPEN LECTURE ON LITERATURE

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2003  SECULARISATION

Lectures by
J. Kerkhofs, Catholic University of Leuven
and A. Tayob, University of Cape

Workshops by
K. Dobbelraere, Catholic University of Leuven
and W. Van Herck, University of Antwerp

OPEN LECTURE ON REPRESENTATION IN THE MEDIA
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2003  RELIGIOUS IDENTITY

Lectures by
Fr. Houtart, Centre Tricontinental and Catholic University Louvain-la-Neuve
and J. Waardenburg, University of Lausanne

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2003  RELIGIOUS RESPONSES TO GLOBALISATION

Lectures by
M. Arkoun, Sorbonne University, Paris
and J. Esposito, Georgetown University

Workshops by
I. Linden, School for Oriental and African Studies, London
and R. Peters, University of Amsterdam

OPEN LECTURE ON GLOBALISATION
M. Arkoun, Sorbonne University, Paris
and J. Esposito, Georgetown University

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2003  CLOSING SESSION AND RECAPITULATION
FOR MORE INFORMATION AND APPLICATION:

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