

International Conference on



Religion
and
Humor

CONFERENCE PROGRAM

February 17-19, 2022
Sankt Ignatios College, University College Stockholm
Nyköpingsvägen 22, 15132 Södertälje – Stockholm

Thursday, February 17, 2022

- 17.00 Meeting at the hotel lobby
- 17.15 Walk to the conference venue
- 17.30 Conference opening
Davor Džalto
Michael Hjälms (dean)

Friday, February 18, 2022

Panel 1

Moderator: Davor Džalto

- 9.30-10.00 *The Sacred Laughter: The Culture of Humor in Biblical and Rabbinic Literature*
Eliezer Papo
- 10.00-10.30 *Parody and Prayer - Medieval Jewish Communities and Their Ways of Humoristic Relief*
Peter Sh. Lehnardt
- 10.30-11.00 Discussion
- 11.00-11.30 Coffee break

Panel 2

Moderator: Frederick Lauritzen

- 11.30-12.00 *Humor between Theory and Practice: A Critical Reading of Humor in the Islamic Scripture and the Prophet's Life*
Doaa Baumi
- 12.00-12.30 *God's Laughter and Man's Anger: Reframing joke and humor in Islamic Theology and Law*
Idris Nassery
- 12.30-13.00 Discussion

Panel 3
Moderator: TBA

- 14.30-15.00 *Did Christ Laugh? A Normative Discourse on Laughter in a Medieval Monastic Context*
Hans Geybels
- 15.00-15.30 *Buffalmacco and la Beffa: Humorous Expressions of Religion and Religious Expressions of Humor in the Italian Renaissance*
Ola Sigurdson
- 15.30-16.00 Discussion
- 16.30-17.00 Break
- 17.00-17.30 Informal meetings/discussions

Saturday, February 19, 2022

Panel 4
Moderator: Idris Nassery

- 10.00-10.30 *Laughing Saints and Righteous Patients: Humour and Laughter in Byzantine Collections of Miracle Stories*
Stavroula Constantinou
- 10.30-11.00 *The Byzantine Theology of Laughter*
Frederick Lauritzen
- 11.00-11.30 *Religious Satire: Freedom and Respect in Interreligious Dialogue*
Ambrogio Bongiovanni
- 11.30-12.00 Discussion
- 12.00-12.30 Break

Panel 5
Moderator: Stavroula Constantinou

- 14.30-15.00 *Humor in the Gospel of John*
Vladan Tatalović
- 15.00-15.30 *It's a sin? Laughter and Humour vs. Religion in Byzantium*
Przemyslaw Marciniak
- 15.30-16.00 *Apophatic and Emancipatory Dimensions of Humor:
The Case of Orthodox Christianity*
Davor Džalto
- 16.00-16.30 Discussion
- 16.30 Concluding remarks

