

***RADICALISATION, SECULARISM AND THE GOVERNANCE OF RELIGION:
BRINGING TOGETHER DIVERSE PERSPECTIVES
RESEARCH AND POLICY CONFERENCE***

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22 – 23 September 2022

Venue: *Martin's Hotel, Boulevard Charlemagne 80, Brussels*

 **PROGRAMME**

Thursday 22 September 2022

**Religiously-inspired Radicalisation: How can it be prevented?
Policy Insights from Europe, Asia and the MENA region**

09.00 - 09.30 *Registration and Coffee*

09.30 – 10:00 **Welcome and Introduction:** Anna Triandafyllidou and Tariq Modood, GREASE project; and Eugenia Strantza, European Commission

10.00 – 12.30 **Why is religiously-inspired violent radicalisation on the rise across the world despite government efforts to manage religious diversity? Are secularist approaches privileging less engagement with religion the way to go or should we favour a deeper engagement between state and religious institutions? And what should such engagement look like?**

Chair: **Anna Triandafyllidou** (EUI/Toronto Metropolitan University)

A framework for analysing the governance of religion and state relations
Tariq Modood and **Thomas Sealy** (University of Bristol)



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Deep respect for religion: Insights from South and Southeast Asia

Gurpreet Mahajan (Jawaharlal Nehru University, just retired), **Pradana Boy Zulian** (University of Muhammadiyah Malang) and **Muhammad Rezaur Rahman** (University of Bristol)

(Please consult [the relevant case study reports on India, Indonesia, and Bangladesh](#))

Governing state-religion relations in Muslim majority countries in the MENA region

Hisham Hellyer (RUSI)

Discussants' Roundtable

Eugenia Relaño Pastor (Complutense University and Fundamental Rights Agency), **Olivier Luyckx** (European Commission, DG International Cooperation and Development), **Constantinos Alexandris** (European External Action Service)

12.30 – 14.00 *Lunch Break – Screening of [GREASE Films](#)*

14.00 – 16.00 **How are states reacting to religiously inspired violent radicalisation? What works and why?**

Chair: **Tariq Modood** (University of Bristol)

Why aren't people in the MENA region radicalising more?

Hisham Hellyer (RUSI)

(Please consult our [Concept Paper](#) and [Handbook](#))

The (non-)radicalisation effect in southern Europe

Tina Magazzini (EUI) and **Anna Triandafyllidou** (TMU)

Preventing religiously inspired violent radicalisation in western Europe and Australia: what works and what does not work

Thomas Sealy (University of Bristol), **Michele Grossman** and **Vivian Gerrand** (Deakin University)

(Please consult our [Policy Brief](#))

Discussants' Roundtable

Tahir Abbas (Leiden University), **Ilke Dagli Hustings** (The Centre for Sustainable Peace and Democratic Development), **Ruby Gropas** (IDEA, European Commission)

16.30 **End of Policy Conference**

20.00 **Dinner**



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Governing Religious Diversity: Variations of Secularism and National Traditions

09.00 - 09.30 *Coffee and Welcome*

09.30 – 11:00 **Variations of Secularism: Insights from different world regions**

Chair: **Francesca Scrinzi**, University of Glasgow

Comparing the policies and practices of the UK, France, Germany and Belgium
Thomas Sealy (University of Bristol)

Bringing together southern and south-eastern European models (Greece, Italy, Spain, Albania, Bulgaria and BiH) in comparative perspective
Tina Magazzini (EUI) and **Anna Triandafyllidou** (EUI/TorontoMet U)

A framework for analysing the governance of religion and state relations
Thomas Sealy and **Tariq Modood** (University of Bristol)

Discussants

Umut Korkut (Glasgow Caledonian University); **Tobias Cremer** (Oxford University)

11.00 – 11.15 *Coffee Break*

11.15 - 13.00 **What is the relationship between religion and nationalism? Can it be constructive?**

Chair: **Umut Korkut**

Religion and Nationalism: A Conceptual Framework for the 21st Century Europe

Anna Triandafyllidou (TMU)
(Please consult [our Concept Paper](#))

Between post-Communism legacies and religious nationalism in south-eastern Europe

Lily Yakova (CSD)

Passive or Active Secularism in Central Europe: the case of Hungary

Daniel Vekony (Vytautas Magnus University)

Religion and Nationalism in the former Soviet space: the case of Russia

Egdūnas Račius (Vytautas Magnus University)



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(Please consult our [case study reports on Bulgaria, Albania, Hungary, and Russia](#))

Discussants

Pralay Kanungo (Leiden University), **Francesca Scrinzi** (University of Glasgow)

13.00 Lunch and Conclusion of the Conference



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