



Law and Religion: Irish Context; International Perspectives

*A conference to be held in Trinity College Dublin Long Room Hub
November 6th 2015*

Debates about law and religion have suffused politics for centuries and contemporary Irish society provides a rich context for a discussion of key issues in the field. A series of referenda on matters central to traditional Irish identity has re-calibrated popular religiosity, irrevocably changed attitudes towards institutional authority, and ushered in an awareness of the centrality of religious freedom in the vision of human rights. **Trinity College Dublin**, working with members from **The Centre for Law and Religion, Cardiff Law School**, will host this one-day inter-disciplinary conference in the **Long Room Hub to debate a host of critical issues including**

- Religious freedom under the Irish Constitution
- Human Rights and Islam
- Patronage and Education
- Blasphemy in Relation to Irish law
- How the Judiciary have 'Defined' Religion
- Changing Models of Church & State in Europe
- The Right to Manifest Religion
- Law as an Instrument of Ecumenism

Speakers:

- Neville Cox (School of Law, TCD)
- Frank Cranmer (St Chad's College, Durham & Centre for Law and Religion, Cardiff)
- Eoin Daly (School of Law, NUI, Galway)
- Norman Doe (Centre for Law and Religion, Cardiff)
- Roja Fazaelli (School of Languages, Literatures and Cultural Studies, TCD)
- Silvio Ferrari (University of Milan and Catholic University of Leuven)
- Gerard Hogan (Judge of the Court of Appeal, Ireland)
- Celia Kenny (TCD & Centre for Law and Religion, Cardiff)
- Marco Ventura (Department of Law, University of Siena)
- Gerry Whyte (School of Law, TCD)

Chairs: Linda Hogan (Vice-Provost / Chief Academic officer, TCD)
Oran Doyle (Head of School, School of Law, TCD)

Please note that registration is free, but early booking is essential: cgkenny@tcd.ie