Political Religions in the Modern Era

Friday, May 7
5:30 p.m. Keynote Address
“Civil Religion and Political Religion: The Origins, Evolution and Historiography of the Sacralization of Politics”
Emilio Gentile
University of Rome “La Sapienza”

Conference Banquet
The Executive Dining Room
The Fluno Center
6:15 p.m. Cocktails • 7:00 p.m. Dinner
“Stanley G. Payne, Historian”
Emilio Gentile, University of Rome “La Sapienza”

Saturday, May 8
9:15 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.
SESSION 1: Political Religion, Concepts and Theories
“Reflections on the Concept and Theory of Charismatic Leadership”
Roger Eatwell
University of Bath

“Spiritual and Political Religions: A Comparison”
Werner Ustorf
University of Birmingham

Chair, Lee Palmer Wandel,
University of Wisconsin—Madison

11:45 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Lunch Break
1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
SESSION 2: European Political Religion
“Fascism as the Expression of a Spiritual Renewal in Italy”
Robert Mallett,
University of Birmingham

“Soviet Communism as a Secular Religion”
Anatoly Khazanov,
University of Wisconsin—Madison

“National Socialism: A Political Religion or a Religious Politics”
Richard Steigmann-Gall,
Ohio State University

“What Insights do we Gain from Interpreting National Socialism as a Political Religion”
Klaus Vondung,
University of Siegen

Chair, John Breuilly,
University of Birmingham

Sunday, May 9
9:15 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
SESSION 3: Political Religions Beyond Europe
“Chinese Communism, Confucius and the Cold War: Interpreting Maoism as a Secular Religion”
Rana Mitter,
University of Oxford

“The Juche Idea and Political Religion in North Korea”
Dae-Soon Suh,
University of Hawaii

“The Castro Regime as Political Religion”
Eusebio Mujal-León,
Georgetown University

“Cultural Nationalism, Politics, and Religions During the Japanese Empire”
Florentino Rodao,
University of Madrid

Chair, Louise Young,
University of Wisconsin—Madison

1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.
Lunch Break

SESSION 4: Contemporary Political and Politicized Religions
2:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.
“Hindutva: A Historical Perspective”
Robert Frykenberg,
University of Wisconsin—Madison

“Not a Clash of Civilizations a Clash within Islam”
Emmanuel Sivan,
Hebrew University Jerusalem

“Multiculturalism as a Post-Christian Faith”
Paul Gottfried,
Elizabethtown College

Chair, Juan Linz,
Yale University

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