

# NORMS OF MINORITY RELIGIOUS PARTICIPATION: FIELDS OF PRACTICE

**November 27– December 1, 2014**

*Norms of Minority Religious Participation* is an international conference led by Avigail Eisenberg (UVic), Paul Bramadat (UVic), Pamela Klassen (University of Toronto) and Patti Lenard (University of Ottawa) about the place of religious minorities in four 'fields of practice' – healthcare, security, education and environmental assessments. The conference brings together scholars working in the areas of Political Science, Religious Studies, Sociology, and Law, with people with personal and professional experience in developing policy and implementing strategies for minority accommodation and participation. Participants will ask: How is religious/spiritual diversity managed in different institutional settings and associated fields of practice? Are strategies for managing diversity site-specific? Are there apparent best practices either within a field of practice or across fields? Do some fields have more proactive policies than others and why? How do governing institutions (either legislatures or courts) help or hinder good policy development within fields of practice?

## Event highlights:

- **European Union Centre of Excellence Lecture with Monique Scheer** | *New Centres of Islamic Theology at Universities in the EU: The German Case* | 5:00 pm, Nov. 27, David Turpin Building A104
- **Bishop's Distinguished Lecture with Charles Taylor** | *Secular Futures* | 7:00 pm, Nov. 27, David Lam Auditorium
- **Norms of Minority Religious Participation Graduate Workshop** | 8:30 am – 12:00 pm, Nov. 28, University Club
- **Victoria Colloquium with Charles Taylor** | *Some Crisis of Democracy* | 1:00 pm, Nov. 28, Fraser Building 152
- **Norms of Minority Religious Participation Workshop** | *Featuring panellists Ben Berger, Tufyal Chowdry, Steve Corcoran, John Lutz, Arlene MacDonald, Graham McDonough, Baljit Nagra, Monika Naus, Cameron Owens, Sheryl Reimer-Kirkham, Monique Scheer, Troy Sebastian, Christine Straehle, and Jeremy Webber* | 8:30 am – 4:45 pm, Nov. 29, University Club
- **Lansdowne Lecture with Ben Berger** | *Belonging to Law: Religious Difference, Secularism, and Civic Inclusion* | 4:30 pm, Dec. 1, Fraser Building 158

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