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Religiously Motivated and Religion-Based Discrimination: Prohibition, Regulation, Exemption

## **International Conference and Call for Paper**

## January 11-12, 2022 | Bar Ilan University, Israel

Should service providers be allowed to refuse services based on their religious beliefs? May educational and academic institutions require standards of conduct and behavior that they perceive as mandated by such beliefs? Should anti-discrimination laws include exemptions for religious expressions or actions?

In recent years, legislators and courts all over the world have struggled with these and similar questions. In the surrounding debate, mention is made of multiple rights such as equality, dignity, freedom of religion, freedom from religion, private property, freedom of contract, etc. Yet are all these rights (equally) relevant to the debate, and what is the proper equilibrium between competing rights?

Theoretical and comparative aspects of these questions are the topic of this international conference to be held at Bar Ilan University, Israel, on 11-12.1.2022. Papers presented at the conference will be peer-reviewed, and a selection of those accepted will be published in a special theme-issue of the Journal of Law, Religion and State. We plan to hold this conference in-person. If the then-prevailing conditions so require, we will change to a virtual (Zoom) meeting.

Researchers interested in presenting at the conference are invited to send an abstract (250-500 words) to Amos Israel, <u>aisrael@mail.sapir.ac.il</u> no later than Sep. 1st, 2021. We will notify you of our decision not later than 15.9.21. Authors whose proposals are accepted will send in the draft of their paper (8000-10,000 words) by Jan 1st 2022.

## The academic committee:

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