

The Ambivalent Influence of Religion in Global Politics

From the Global Crisis of Freedom of Religion or Belief to Violent Extremism

Join us for a symposium organised by the University of Sussex

Tuesday, 4th April, 2017

3.00pm - Registration

3.30-5.45pm - Program, followed by drinks and canapés

BSMS Lecture Theatre, University of Sussex, Falmer, Brighton, BN1 9PX

A Roundtable on the Global Crisis of Freedom of Religion or Belief

Rob Fenn

Head of Human Rights and Democracy,
Foreign & Commonwealth Office

Fabio Petito

Senior Lecturer in International Relations,
University of Sussex

Sir Malcolm Evans

Professor of Public International Law, Bristol
University & UN Subcommittee Chair for the
Prevention of Torture

John Millbank

Professor of Religion, Politics & Ethics, University
of Nottingham

Baroness Elizabeth Berridge (tbc)

Member of the House of Lords

Yousif al-Khoei

Public Affairs Director, Al-Khoei Foundation

Mariz Tadros

Research Fellow, Institute of Development Studies

A Debate on Violent Extremism marking the publication of Graeme Wood's *Way of the Stranger: Encounters with the Islamic State* (2017)

Graeme Wood

Correspondent, *The Atlantic* &
Lecturer, Yale University

Myriam Francois

Writer, broadcaster
& academic

Religion has a powerful and ambivalent impact on politics that needs to be better understood by foreign policy makers. Can a deeper engagement with religious leaders and communities help address the global crisis of freedom of religion and combat violent extremism?

The symposium marks the launch of the *FoRB & Foreign Policy Initiative* based at the University of Sussex and is co-organised with the Sussex Centre for Conflict and Security Research.

RSVP by Tuesday, 28 March 2017 Click [here](#) to register with Eventbrite

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