



INTERNATIONAL RELIGIOUS LIBERTY ASSOCIATION

**19TH MEETING OF EXPERTS
(AN INTERNATIONAL THINK TANK ON RELIGIOUS FREEDOM)**

**FREEDOM OF RELIGION OR BELIEF
IN AN AGE OF
UNPRECEDENTED HUMAN MOBILITY:
FORGING NEW APPROACHES TO THE CONFLICT OF
IDENTITIES AND INTEGRATION**

**CASA ÁRABE
CORDOBA, SPAIN
OCTOBER 30th-NOVEMBER 1st, 2018**



PROGRAM

MONDAY, OCTOBER 29TH

Arrival at Hotel NH Córdoba Guadalquivir, located Av. Fray Albino, 1, Córdoba, Spain.

18.00 **Steering Committee and Organizing Committee**
Free night

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 30TH

7.30-8.30 Breakfast buffet

8.30 Departure to Casa Arabe (15m walk)

9.00-9.30 **Welcome & Opening Session to 19th Meeting of Experts**
Director of Casa Arabe/
IRLA President, John Nay
IRLA Secretary General, Ganoune Diop
Introduction of Theme: Academic Co-director of the Program, Rosa Maria Martinez de Codes

Topic I. Religious Identity and Religious Freedom in Europe, North and South America in an Era of Mass Migration

9.30-10.00 **SESSION I (Chair & Secretary: John Nay)**
Lecture 1: Karoline Fernández de la Hoz Zeitler (Director of The Spanish Observatory for Racism and Xenophobia, Ministry of Interior): *Understanding Migrants and Migration in Europe.*

10.00-10.15 Discussion

10.15-10.45 SESSION II (Chair & Secretary: Rosa Maria Martinez de Codes)

LECTURE 2: Ganoune Diop (IRLA Secretary General): *Migration and Current Global Challenges: The Incontrovertible Pathways to Peaceful Living in Solidarity.*

10.45-11.00 Discussion

11.00-11.15 Coffee break

11.15-12.15 SESSION III (Chair & Secretary: David Little)

LECTURE 3: Silvio Ferrari (University of Milan): *Immigration, the new religious minorities and the European pattern of State-religion relationship.*

LECTURE 4: Cole Durham (Brigham Young University): *Challenges for Protecting Freedom of Religion or Belief in the Migrant Domain.*

12.15-12.45 Discussion

13.00-14.30 Lunch

14.30-15.30 SESSION IV (Chair & Secretary: Ganoune Diop)

LECTURE 5: Raimundo Barreto (Princeton University): *Religion and Human Mobility in Latin America: Historical Overview and Contemporary Challenges.*

LECTURE 6: Liberato C. Bautista, (President CONGO): *The Contributions of Faith-Based Organizations in the Discourse and Actions on Behalf, For, and With Migrants.*

15.30-16.00 Discussion

16.00-17.00 SESSION V (Chair & Secretary: Silvio Ferrari)

LECTURE 7: David Little (Harvard University): *Notes on Recent U.S. Immigration Policy: A Human Rights Approach.*

LECTURE 8: John Nay (IRLA President): *US Immigration Policies and Religious Liberty: Connections, Controversies, and a Better Way Forward.*

17:00-17:30 Discussion

18.00-20.00 Guided Visit to “Cathedral”
Free night

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 31ST

Topic II. Religious groups and the shaping of public policy in relation to migrants.

7.30-8.30 Breakfast buffet

8.30 Departure to Casa Árabe (15m walk)

9.00-10.00 SESSION VI (Chair & Secretary: Jaime Rossell)

LECTURE 9: Rosa M de Codes (Complutense University): *Migration, Governance and Religious Identities across Western Countries.*

LECTURE 10: Jordi Moreras (Universitat Rovira i Virgili): *Muslims in Catalonia, or Catalan Islam? The question of Islam in Catalan politics (1997-2017).*

10.00-10.30 Discussion

10.30-11.30 SESSION VII (Chair & Secretary: Jaime Contreras)
LECTURE 11: Ricardo Garcia (Former Vice director of Religious Affairs, Ministry of Justice): *Asylum policies and religious freedom in the UE.*
LECTURE 12: Jeremy Gunn (International University Rabat): *Taking the Migraine Out of Immigration: Islam and the “Other” in European Institutions.*

11.30-12.00 Discussion and coffee break

12.00-13.00 SESSION VIII (Chair & Secretary: Cole Durham)
LECTURE 13: Blandine Chellini-Pont (Aix-Marseille Université): *The Catholic International initiatives for Migrants.*
LECTURE 14: Nicholas P. Miller (Andrews University): *Biblical Justification for Adventist and other Evangelical Involvement in Refugee and Immigration Issues.*

13:00-13:30 Discussion

13.30-14:30 Lunch

Wednesday Afternoon: Optional Visit to Medina Azahara “The Califal City”.

Free Night

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 1ST

Topic III. The contributions of Faith-based Actors and NGO in addressing Migration Challenges

7.30-8.30 Breakfast buffet

8.30 Departure on foot to Casa Árabe (15m walk)

9.00-10.00 SESSION IX (Chair & Secretary: Ganoune Diop)
LECTURE 15: Abi Doukhan (Queens College, CUNY, USA): *Cain and Abel and The Wisdom of Exile: Lessons on Attitudes Towards Migrants.*

LECTURE 16: Magdalena Martinez (University of Alicante): *Law faces the new concept of social cohesion: religious communities and underserved communities.*

10.00-10.30 Discussion

10.30-11.30 SESSION X (Chair & Secretary: Nicholas Miller)

LECTURE 17: Amal Idrissi (University of Moulay Ismail, Meknes, Morocco): *Immigration and the Perception of Islam in France.*

LECTURE 18: Elizabeta Kitanovic (Executive Secretary for Human Rights and Communication, Church and Society Commission, Council of European Churches). *Religious Identity and Religious Freedom in Europe in an Era of Mass Migration.*

11.30-11.45 Coffee break

11.45-12.45 SESSION XI (Chair & Secretary: Alberto de la Hera)

LECTURE 19: Jaime Contreras (Alcala University): *Mobility in a conflict society in Colombia.*

LECTURE 20: Olga Calonge, (Director, The Adventist Development and Relief Agency, ADRA): *Faith-Based Organizations, between Faith, Expertise and Advocacy on migration.*

12.45-13.15 Discussion

13.15-14:30 Lunch

14.30-15.30 SESSION XII (Chair & Secretary: Kishan Manocha)
LECTURE 21: Juan Martin Vives (Center for the Studies on Law and Religion, River Plate University): *Perspectives on Migrations in Latin America: Current Issues at the Intersections of Political, Religion and Public Affairs.*
LECTURE 22: Mahfoudh Mohamed (Former President of the Tunisian Bar): *"The Muslim Migrant in Europe: Socio-cultural and Religious Issues."*

15.30-16.00 Discussion

16.00-16.30 SESSION XIII (Chair & Secretary: Blandine Chelini Pont)
LECTURE 23: Alexis Artaud (Department of Politics and International Studies School of Oriental and African Studies University of London): The Catholic Church and Migrant Support in France.

16.30-16.45 Discussion

16.45-17.00 Coffee Break

17.00-18.00 SESSION XIV (Chair & Secretary: Ganoune Diop)
John Nay: Summary of Contributions
Rosa Maria Martinez de Codes: The IRLA Meeting of Experts—What have we accomplished? What should be the next step?
Ganoune Diop: Closing Remarks IRLA Information;
2019 IRLA Meeting of Experts—Venue & Theme

20.00 Closing dinner

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 2SD

Travel home

COMMITTEES

Steering Committee: Ganoune Diop (Chair), Rosa Maria Martinez de Codes, John Nay, David Little, Nicholas Miller, Jeremy Gunn.

Organizing Committee: Ganoune Diop, Rosa Maria Martínez de Codes, Jaime Rossell, Jaime Contreras, John Nay.

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Casa Árabe es un consorcio formado por:

