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Vous y trouverez, pour de nombreux pays, des informations concernant le droit et les sciences sociales des religions en Europe et au Canada : les références des livres et articles récemment parus, les nouveaux sites internet, les derniers sondages, les prochains colloques consacrés à ces disciplines. La lettre fournit également des informations sur l'actualité du site / *The letter provides academic news concerning law and sociology of religion in many countries of Europe and Canada: references of recent books or articles, new websites, just released surveys, and coming meetings. The letter also includes information concerning the latest changes in the Eurel website.*

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1. Actualité en droit et sociologie des religions / News in law and sociology of religion

EUROPE

Ouvrage(s) / Book(s)

- S. Akgönül, A.-L. Zwilling (dir.), *Druidism, Tengrism, Taaraism: Current Reactivations of Ancient Spiritualities and Religions, From Identity to Politics*, Religion and international relations Series: 2, 2024.
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- D. Ferrari, *Orientamento sessuale e libertà religiosa. Percorsi e sfide nel diritto internazionale ed europeo*, Il Mulino, Bologna, 2024.
- F. Gauthier & T. Martikainen (ed.), [*The Marketization of Religion*](#), Oxon, Routledge, 2024.
- M. Hill & L. Papadopoulou (ed.), [*Islam, Religious Liberty and Constitutionalism in Europe*](#), Oxford, Hart, 2024.
- E. Howard, [*Headscarves and the Court of Justice of the European Union*](#), Oxon, Routledge, 2023.
- G. Lo Mascolo (ed.), [*The Christian Right in Europe. Movements, Networks, and Denominations*](#), Bielefeld: transcript, 2023.
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- B. Conway, B. Spruyt, J. P. Coutinho. 2023. “[*Individual-Level Determinants of Religious Intergenerational Transmission: Evidence from Catholic Europe*](#)”, *Sociological Forum* 38(3), pp. 684-707.
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- E. Ringmar, “[The Right to Practice Your Religion: European Legislation and the Origin of Religious Beliefs](#)”, *Religion & Human Rights*, 2024, pp. 45-64.
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Actualités juridiques / Legal news

- Conseil de l'Europe, assemblée parlementaire, [La mort d'Alexeï Navalny et la nécessité de contrer le régime totalitaire de Vladimir Poutine et sa guerre contre la démocratie](#), rés. 2540 (spéc. n° 13 et 26.14).
- Cour eur. dr. h., arrêt *Executief van de Moslims van België et autres c. Belgique*, 13 février 2024 (abattage rituel).
- C.J., arrêt *O.P. c. Commune d'Ans*, C-148/22, 28 novembre 2023 (interdiction de signes convictionnels et neutralité de l'Etat).

Colloque(s) à venir / Forthcoming conference(s)

- EASR, [The 21st Annual Conference of the European Association for the Study of Religions, Nature, Ecology, and Religious Responses to Climate Change](#), Gothenburg (Sweden), 19-23 August 2024.
- [XXIII International Association for the History of Religions World Congress](#), 24–30 August 2025, Kraków, Poland. Although the congress is in 2025, the call for panels and papers is already announced.

Autre / Others

- Call for proposals: [Annual Review of the Sociology of Religion](#), Vol. 17 (Forthcoming 2026), *Religion and Non-Religion in Family Life*, Edited by Morena Tartari, Babeş-Bolyai University, and Olga Breskaya, University of Padova.

ALLEMAGNE / GERMANY

Ouvrage(s) / Book(s)

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- Jödicke, A., Lehmann, K. & Meyer, C. (2023). « [Zur Einleitung: Religion, Partei, Parteitung. Komparative Perspektiven auf dem Weg zu einem Grundbegriff religionswissenschaftlicher Forschung](#) ». Zeitschrift für Religion, Gesellschaft und Politik, 7(1), 225–237.
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Colloque(s) à venir / Forthcoming conference(s)

- Deutsche Gesellschaft für Soziologie, ‘Internationale Pilgertagung mit dem Titel « Der Wandel des Pilgerns im heutigen Europa. Spiritualität - Praxis – Infrastruktur’, (11.09. bis 13.09.2025 in Donauwörth)
Call for paper : [here](#) (Deadline : 01.10.2024)
- Deutsche Gesellschaft für Soziologie, Tagung des Arbeitskreises : « Säkulare Weltanschauungen » zum Thema « Krise und Säkularität » (am 28. und 29.11.2024 in Leipzig)
- Tagung: "Islamischer Religionsunterricht an öffentlichen Schulen"
Evangelische Akademie Loccum, 03.06.2024-05.06.2024

AUTRICHE / AUSTRIA

Ouvrage(s) / Book(s)

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Article(s) et chapitre(s) d'ouvrage / Article(s) and book chapter(s)

- Katharina Limacher, Astrid Mattes, Barbara Urbanic: [The Christian Right in Europe: Austria](#), in: Gionathan Lo Mascolo (ed.): "The Christian Right in Europe. Movements, Networks, and Denominations". Bielefeld: transcript 2023, 129-146.

Actualités juridiques / Legal news

- **News on the Atheist Religious Society in Austria**
On April 28, 2023, the Atheist Religious Society in Austria (ARG) filed an extraordinary appeal with the Administrative Court (VwGH). These appeal proceedings have been pending at the Administrative Court for a year. The appeal is directed against a decision of the Administrative Court of Vienna (VGW) of June 1, 2022, GZ. VGW-101/042/701/2021-2, which rejected ARG's application of December 30, 2019 for registration as a religious denomination and confirmed the dismissive decision of the Federal Chancellery/Cultural Office of October 23, 2020.
- **News on the Assyrian Church of the East**
Pursuant to Section 2 (2) BekGG, it has been made [publicly accessible](#) that on 18. April 2024, an application for the acquisition of legal personality as a religious confessional community of the "Assyrian Church of the East" was received by the Office of Religious affairs.

Autre / Others

- **“Religion in Ethics Classes” –Austrian Society for Religious Studies (ÖGRW)**

In the 2021/22 school year, Ethics classes were implemented in Austria as an alternative compulsory subject for all students from the ninth grade onwards who do not attend religious education classes. According to the curriculum, around one sixth of this subject deals with religion(s) and religion-related topics. In addition, religious studies as a cultural-scientific, non-denominational discipline is listed in the curriculum as a reference science for the subject of ethics. To date, however, religious studies components have had little presence in Austrian Ethics classes.

For this reason, the Austrian Society for Religious Studies (ÖGRW) hosted a conference entitled "[Religious Studies in Ethics Classes - Questions from Theory and Practice](#)" on March 15 of this year, which dealt with the question of what contributions religious studies, and thus non-denominational education, can make in Ethics classes with regard to the subject area of "religion(s)" and beyond. It became clear that the potential of religious studies in school practice is still far from exhausted. The ÖGRW now wants to continue its work in this area and to make a fundamental contribution to (religious) education in Austria from a Religious Studies perspective.

BELGIQUE / BELGIUM

Ouvrage(s) / Book(s)

- Jean-François Husson (dir.), [Les fabriques d'église en Wallonie. Histoire, évolutions et perspectives d'avenir](#), Université de Liège, 2023.

BULGARIE / BULGARIA

Article(s)

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- Evstatiev, S. (2024). [Hybridizing Islam in the Balkans: The Rise of Salafi-Hanafism in Bulgaria](#). In: Jäger, T., Thiele, R. (eds) *Handbook of Political Islam in Europe* (Springer Handbooks of Political Science and International Relations). Springer, Cham., 375-395.
- Darakchi, Sh. (2024). “[Making Gender and Sexuality Studies Illegal: Heteronationalism, Anti-gender Mobilization, and the Neoliberal "Utopian" Gaze in Bulgaria, 2018–2023](#),” *WSQ: Women's Studies Quarterly*, 52 (1-2), 189-207.
- Kalkandjieva, D. (2024). “[The Political Theology of the Bulgarian Orthodox Church Between Ecclesiology, Nationalism and Modernity \(1870–1922\)](#)” In: Mihai-D. Grigore and Vasilios N. Makrides (eds.), *Orthodoxy in the Agora: Orthodox Christian Political Theologies Across History* (=Veröffentlichungen des Leibniz-Institut für Europäische Geschichte 143), Göttingen: Vandenhoeck & Ruprecht.

CROATIE / CROATIA

Articles/book chapters

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DANEMARK / DENMARK

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Actualités juridiques / Legal news

- Revision on the act on religious communities is currently being discussed. The revised act is expected to be presented in the fall.
- A revision on the law on abortion, is also expected to be discussed in the fall. A main issue is expected to be a change of the week 12 limit to week 18.

Colloque(s) à venir / Forthcoming conference(s)

- [Nordic conference in sociology of Religion](#), Aarhus 14-16 June 2024

ESPAGNE / SPAIN

Article(s)

- Alemany-Arrebola, I., Gallardo-Vigil, M. Á., Ortiz-Gómez, M. D. M., & Vilà-Baños, R. (2024). Intercultural and Interreligious Dialogue Competences in Adolescents in Barcelona and Melilla (Spain). *Religions*, 15(2), 211.
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Rapport / Report

- Report of “Observatorio del Pluralismo Religioso en España”. December 2023. [The social action of minority confessions in Spain: map, practices and perceptions](#).

Sondage(s) / Survey(s)

- Centro de Investigaciones Sociológicas (2024) [March Barometer](#). Questions C5 & C5a.
- Centro de Investigaciones Sociológicas (2024) [February Barometer](#). Questions C5 & C5a.
- Centro de Investigaciones Sociológicas (2024) [January Barometer](#). Questions C4 & C4a.
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Colloque(s) à venir / Forthcoming conference(s)

- 5-6th June 2024: [Second Conference on Freedom of Religion and Belief](#), convened by the Chair of Religious Freedom and Conscience of Catalonia and the Blanquerna Observatory on Media, Religion and Culture.
- 16-18 October 2024: 26th Forum of Researchers of the Arab and Islamic World ([FIMAM](#)), organised at the University of Alicante.
- 20-21 November 2024: [IV PhD International Workshop of Young Researchers in Spirituality and Religions. Interreligious Dialogue in Postsecular Era](#), Universidad Católica del Norte, Antofagasta, Chile.

Autre / Others

- Book Review: Jakob, Ole. 2024. “*La secularización en España: Rupturas y cambios religiosos desde la sociología histórica*”, by Rafael Ruiz Andrés”, in *Journal of Religion in Europe*.
- Working Paper: Morales Sancho, G. A. (2024) ‘[Freedom of association in Spain](#)’, Societas Working Paper 04/2024 (12pp). Cork: School of Law, University College Cork.

FRANCE

Ouvrage(s) / Book(s)

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- François-Xavier BAUDUIN, [Raël et les mirages d'internet: prosélytisme et pratiques communautaires : quand le réseau brouille les réseaux](#), L'Harmattan (Logiques sociales), 2023.
- Jean-Pierre BRACH, Jean-Pierre LAURANT et Thierry ZARCONE (dir.), *Franc-maçonneries et religions en France aujourd'hui*, La Tarente, 2024.
- Daniele FERRARI, [Religion et migration. La construction juridique de la catégorie de réfugié religieux](#), Presses universitaires de Louvain, 2024.
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- Delia GUIJARRO ARRIBAS, Charles MERCIER et Yann RAISON DU CLEUZIOU, [De la Bonne Presse à Bayard : 150 ans d'histoire d'un groupe de presse et d'édition catholique](#) (Chrétiens et Sociétés. Documents et Mémoires 50). LARHRA Laboratoire de recherche historique Rhône-Alpes, 2024.
- Stéphanie HENNETTE VAUCHEZ, [L'école et la République. La nouvelle laïcité scolaire](#), Paris, Dalloz, 2023.

- Claire KACZMAREK et Claude PRUDHOMME, *Profession missionnaires. Vocations, transferts, expérimentations, inventions (XIXe-XXIe siècles)*, Karthala, 2023.
- Anne-Sophie LAMINE, *Au-delà du séparatisme et de la radicalisation. Penser l'intensité religieuse musulmane en France*, Marseille, Diacritiques éditions, 2024.
- Denise LOMBARDI, *Le néo-chamanisme, une religion qui monte ?*, Cerf, 2023.
- Philippe MARTIN, *Dictionnaire des temps sacrés*, CNRS éditions, 2023.
- Florian MICHEL et Denis PELLETIER, *Pour une histoire sociale et culturelle de la théologie. Autour de Claude Langlois*, Brepols, 2023.
- Vincenzo Pacillo, *Per sempre giovane. La laicità nel dibattito culturale francese: scrittori e politica ecclesiastica da Victor Hugo a Annie Ernaux*, Mucchi editore, Modena, 2024.
- Sarah SCHOLL, *Les guerres culturelles du XIX^e siècle. Religions et sécularisation en Europe*, EPHE, 2023.
- Michel YOUNES (dir.), *Les religions à l'épreuve de la liberté d'expression*, Vrin, 2024.
- Anne-Laure ZWILLING (dir.), *La foi musulmane par les livres. Dynamiques, stratégies et évolution religieuse de la littérature islamique en langue française* (Patrimoines), Cerf, 2023.

Article(s)

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- Jean BAUBÉROT, Charles MERCIER, « Entretien de Charles Mercier avec Jean Baubérot sur son expérience à la Commission Stasi (2003) », *Vigie de la laïcité*, 15 mars 2024.
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Any repeated application for asylum must be assessed individually. The "qualifications" directive does not allow it to be presumed that any repeated application based on circumstances determined by the applicant himself after his departure from the country of origin derives from an abusive intention and to exploit the procedure for recognizing international protection (in this case the interested party has credibly demonstrated that he has converted and actively practices a new religion out of intimate conviction: this allows us to exclude the existence of an abusive intention and exploitation of the procedure)
- **Cass., Sez. L, 04/01/2024, n. 220 - Remuneration paid for the support of the catholic clergy**
For the purposes of disbursement of the monthly allowance governed by art. 13 of the law. n. 118 of 1971, it is necessary to take into account the remuneration paid for the support of the clergy, pursuant to articles. 24, 33, lett. a), and 34, paragraph 1, of the law. n. 222 of 1985, n. 222, as it is equated, for tax purposes, to income from employment and therefore calculable in the assessment of the economic conditions required to access the benefit, in the absence of provisions of a different nature.
- **Cass., Sez. 5, ord. 31/01/2024, n. 2860 - Concession pursuant to art. 6, paragraph 1, dpr n. 601 of 1973 - Charitable or educational or equivalent organizations - Proceeds deriving from the rental of real estate**
The relief referred to in art. 6, paragraph 1, of the Presidential Decree n. 601 of 1973 is entitled to the diocesan institutes for the support of the clergy, as ecclesiastical bodies civilly recognized as legal persons, for the proceeds deriving from the rental of the real estate assets, provided that it is a matter of mere enjoyment - and, therefore, only the collection of the fees without a specific organization of means and resources functional to the economic result - and that such proceeds are used for the institutional purposes of the entity.
- **Cass., sez. 5, 17/11/2023, n. 2121 - Criminal conspiracy aggravated by the aim of discrimination or ethnic, racial or religious hatred**
It integrates the crime of criminal association aggravated by the circumstance referred to in the art. 604-ter cod. pen. the conduct of those who associate, through a structure equipped with organization and stability, in order to commit criminally relevant conduct with the aim of

discrimination, while integrating the crime referred to in the art. 604-bis, second paragraph, cod. pen. participation in an organism, even without a minimum of organization and stability, which is characterized, as a constitutive element of the group, by discriminatory propaganda and instigation and incitement to commit discriminatory acts. (In its reasoning, the Court excluded the application of the specialty criterion, as the structural comparison between the two abstract cases and the comparison of the constituent elements that contribute to defining them lead to not recognizing the existence of a relationship of continence between the rules).

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Sondage(s) / Survey(s)

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Actualités juridiques / Legal news

- With the new coalition government in power following the October 2023 elections, four different legislative proposals have been submitted concerning the liberalization of the abortion law. They range from returning to the previous legal situation under which abortion was permitted in cases of a danger to mother's life or health, the pregnancy resulting from a crime and irreversible damage to the fetus (this last reason was removed by the conservative Law and Justice government), to depenalizing abortion (those involved in the procedure would not be punished, even though it would remain illegal), to allowing for "on-demand" abortion until the 12th week of pregnancy. The project that will eventually be enacted by the parliament in the next few months will most likely be vetoed by the conservative President Andrzej Duda, save perhaps for the return-to-status-quo-ante proposal.
- There is also some discussion of changes in the regulations on financing of religious organizations (predominantly the Catholic Church), including decreasing donations from state coffers and, perhaps, introducing some version of church tax instead; and on reducing the amount of religious instruction in public schools. However, no concrete steps have been taken on either of these issues so far.

Colloque(s) à venir / Forthcoming conference(s)

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- [Survey](#) in March 2024 on opinions on the President's decisions in the pre-election campaign before the presidential elections (opinions on the separation of state and churches, abortion, the introduction of registered partnerships, etc.)

Actualités juridiques / Legal news

- The law on financial support for churches and religious societies is to be amended to increase solidarity with smaller churches and to ensure better predictability and transparency in funding. The Ministry of Culture of the Slovak Republic has published an announcement of the amendment in March 2023.

The amendment to the law is intended to simplify the calculation of the state contribution for churches, as well as to ensure better predictability and transparency, given that the macroeconomic indicators of the calculation are known annually already in the middle of the budget period. The Ministry also notes the need to clarify the relationship between the amount of the State contribution and any changes in the number of worshippers of a particular church.

The comment procedure is due to start in May or June 2024. The Law on Financial Support of Churches and Religious Societies was last amended in October 2019, the then amendment revised the model that had been in place since the mid-20th century (Source: [here](#)).

Rapports / Reports

- In March 2024, the [first Evaluation Report](#) of the Commission of the Bishops' Conference of Slovakia (Catholic Church in Slovakia) for the Protection of Minors in the Church was published. The report concerns the problem of sexual abuse in the Church.

Colloque(s) à venir / Forthcoming conference(s)

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Autre / Others

- A [Catholic priest accused of sexual abuse](#) appeared in court in Žilina in March 2024 and pleaded guilty. He claimed that he fell in love with a 12-year-old girl. He also said that he is currently no longer in priestly ministry, lives an orderly life and has a wife and child. According to his statement, the former priest wants to receive a suspended sentence. However, the prosecution does not agree with this.
- In February 2024, the [Evangelical \(Lutheran\) Church in Slovakia and the Catholic Church in Slovakia reacted to the adoption of a controversial amendment to the Criminal Code](#). However, each of them took a different approach - while the Evangelical Church sharply criticised the changes, the Catholic bishops reacted more moderately. The evangelical bishops issued a statement the day after the amendment to the Penal Code was approved. They say they are concerned about the foundations of the rule of law. "The adaptation of the Penal Code to personal or partisan interests is unacceptable," the Evangelical Church said in response to the politicians. The Catholic Church was more cautious in comparison. Even before the changes were approved in Parliament, the Slovak Bishops' Conference issued a statement "on the current social situation", without once mentioning the Penal Law specifically. The closest the Catholic Church came in commenting on the amendment was to call, "Let us not lose the vision of a country where hatred, anger, corruption and injustice will have no place."

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Sondage(s) / Survey(s)

- Recent [online survey data](#) from the Angus Reid Institute found that a majority of Canadians view both anti-Semitism and anti-Muslim discrimination as problems domestically. The perceived severity or urgency of these issues varies by religious identity.

Décisions Juridiques / Legal Decisions

- *Canadian Frontline Nurses v. Canada (Attorney General)*, 2024 FC 42—The Federal Court of Canada concluded that the Government of Canada’s decision to invoke the *Emergencies Act* to curtail the 2022 ‘freedom convoy’ protests was unreasonable. These protests took place in the national capital and were largely aimed at covid-19 vaccine mandates and restrictions. The court also dismissed the applications of several individuals who sought standing for judicial review, including a pastor who claimed he experienced discrimination in his religious community upon returning home from the protests, which impacted his ability to enjoy his freedom of religion.
- *Organisation mondiale sikhe du Canada c. Procureur général du Québec*, 2024 QCCA 254—The Quebec Court of Appeal upheld the constitutionality of the *Act respecting the laicity of the State* (commonly called Quebec’s ‘secularism law’) that came into force in June 2019 and prohibits civil servants from wearing visible religious symbols at work. It also reversed a lower court decision that permitted an exception for English school boards in the French province. Recognizing the *Act* as a source of controversy, the court stated in its decision that “it is not ruling on the wisdom of enacting it” (at para. 13).
- *Splitt v. Nature’s Corner Bakery and Café*, 2023 HRTO 1692—The applicant alleged discrimination based on creed and disability when they were asked to leave a café because they refused to wear a mask. The tribunal dismissed the application, concluding in part that the applicant’s submission on Christian creed and mask wearing did not meet the requirements of creed as found under the province of Ontario’s *Human Rights Code*.
- *The Ontario English Catholic Teachers’ Association v The Northwest Catholic District School Board*, 2024—A labour arbitrator determined that a Catholic school board’s decision to terminate an occasional teacher (OT) was unreasonable. The termination resulted from a group email accidentally sent by the OT to teaching and non-teaching staff that discriminated against LGBTQ2S+ peoples. The OT argued in part that the contents of her email were informed by her sincerely held religious beliefs as protected by the *Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms*.
- *Unitarian Church of Montreal c. Edgar*, 2024 QCCS 566—The Superior Court of Quebec granted an application for an interlocutory injunction that prohibits the defendant from being near or at the Universalist Church of Montreal, and from publishing or commenting online about

the church and its members. The defendant has a decades-long history of harassing members attending the Montreal church for Sunday services.

Autre / Others

- In December 2023 a [private member's bill](#) was introduced in the House of Commons to establish December as 'Christian Heritage Month' in Canada. It has not reached a second reading.

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2. Actualité du site Eurel / News of the Eurel website

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