

# INTERNATIONAL WORKSHOP RELIGIOUS PLURALISM, LEGAL MONISM AND PERSONAL LAW REGIMES: COMPARING EXPERIENCES AND TRENDS

Trento, Friday 29 and Saturday 30 April 2016

Conference Room, Faculty of Law - via Verdi, 53

The International Workshop on *Religious Pluralism, Legal Monism and Personal Law Regimes: Comparing Experiences and Trends* aims at contributing to the current debate on how to cope with the problems raised by increasing cultural pluralism and how demands for recognition of areas of legal pluralism may affect the traditional setting of legal monism that is typical of the western legal tradition. Some relevant Asian constitutional experiences will be explored, as they reflect religious pluralism and traditional approaches with different degrees of legal pluralism. A survey of existing areas of legal pluralism in a few countries will be dealt with, in view of a critical assessment of the compatibility of religion-based legal pluralism with European liberal constitutionalism.



Matteo Boato, Famiglia, olio su tela, 100x100cm, 2012

## Friday, April 29<sup>th</sup>

9.15 Welcome

**Giuseppe Nesi**, Dean of the Faculty of Law

9.30 *Inaugural Key Note Speech*

**Silvio Ferrari**, University of Milan

## FIRST SESSION:

Friday, April 29<sup>th</sup>, 10.00-12.45

Chair: **Roberto Toniatti**, University of Trento

*Constitutional Protection of and from Religion-based Personal Laws in Malaysia*

**Andrew Harding**, Centre for Asian Legal Studies (CASL), National University of Singapore, and Asian Law Institute (ASLI)

*Constitutional Protection of and from Religion-based Personal Laws in India*

**Francesco Alicino**, LUM "Jean Monnet", Bari

*Constitutional Protection of and from Religion-based Personal Laws in Singapore*

**Arif A. Jamal**, Law School, National University of Singapore

*Confucian Constitutionalism and Personal Law Regimes*

**Bui Ngoc Son**, Research Fellow, Centre for Asian Legal Studies (CASL), National University of Singapore

## SECOND SESSION:

Friday, April 29<sup>th</sup>, 14.15-18.00

Chair: **Elisa Giunchi**, University of Milan

*Constitutional Protection of and from Religion-based Personal Laws in the United Kingdom*

**Prakash Shah**, Queen Mary University, London

*Constitutional Protection of and from Religion-based Personal Laws in Israel*

**Michel Karayanni**, Hebrew University, Jerusalem

*Constitutional Protection of and from Religion-based Personal Laws in Greece*

**Ilker Tsavousoglou**, Ghent University

*Constitutional Protection of and from Religion-based Personal Laws in Europe*

**Marco Ventura**, University of Siena and Center for Religious Studies, FBK, Trento

## THIRD SESSION:

Saturday, April 30<sup>th</sup>, 9.30-12.45

Chair: **Werner Menski**, SOAS, London

*Legal Traditions, Religion-based Personal Laws and the Secular State in Europe*

**Lorenzo Zucca**, King's College, London

*A Survey of Legal Pluralism and Religion-based Personal Laws in Europe*

**Roberto Mazzola**, University of Eastern Piedmont

*Legal Traditions, Religion-based Personal Laws and Mixed Legal Systems in Europe*

**Michele Graziadei**, University of Turin

*Concluding Remarks*

**Marie-Claire Foblets**, Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology, Halle

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