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2014 Seminar

## “Religion: Key to Understanding Violence and Promoting Peace in Global Times”

August 18-September 19, 2014

Washington, D.C.

### Program Schedule

#### Week 1 (August 18-24)

Monday August 18: Introduction

Wednesday August 20: Hobbes: **John Farina & Horacio Esteban Correa**

Friday August 22:

Reading

Hegel: **Brigitte Buchhammer & Tran Hai Minh**

Paper presentation

**Brigitte Buchhammer** “Violence against Women – a pressing current problem of philosophy referring to Hegel’s philosophy of religion”

#### Week2 (August 25-31)

Monday August 25:

*Readings*

Marx: **Abdolrahim Gavahi**

Engels: **Qiu Genjiang**

Wednesday August 27:

*Paper presentations:*

**Abdolrahim Gavahi** “Religious Understanding: Key to Understanding Violence and Promoting Peace”

**Sayyed Hassan Hussaini (Akhlaq)** “The Gates to Violence in the Current Islam”

**Marko Trajkovic** “Can Law Squeeze Out Values?”

Friday August 29:

*Readings:*

Arendt: **Sayyed Hassan Hussaini (Akhlaq) & Gong Qun**

Foucault: **Olga Chistyakova**

### Week 3 (September 1-7)

Monday September 1:

*Readings:*

Hitler: **Marko Trajkovic**

Malcolm: **Oladapo Jimoh Balogun**

Gandhi: **Rodica Pop**

Wednesday September 3:

*Paper presentations:*

**Olga Chistyakova** "Christian Patristics, Postmodernism and Values of Peace in the Modern Society),

**Rodica Pop** "About Promoting Peace in the World. An Orthodox View"

**Gong Qun** "The pursuit and maintenance of peace, one of fundamental purposes of Buddhism"

**Tran Hai Minh** "Humanity in Buddhism and Its Significance to the Development of Society in Global Times"

Friday September 5:

*Readings:*

Freud: **Joshua Kalapati**

Benjamin: **Wei-Ding Tsai**

Gramsci: **Horacio Esteban Correa**

### Week 4 (September 8-14)

Monday September 8:

*Readings:*

Canetti (127-165): **Marta Turkot**

Canetti (169-200): **Seyed Masoud Noori**

Wednesday September 10:

*Paper presentations:*

**Horacio Esteban Correa** "The concepts of "Yihād" and "Hiyrat" in the Arab-Islamic tradition"

**Seyed Masoud Noori** "Theology of Violence in the Muslim intellectual tradition & its reflection in the contemporary world"

**Joshua Kalapati** "Religious Diversity in India: Issues Fostering Violence and Instruments Promoting Peace"

**Vensius George** "Understanding Violence and Peace in Indian Culture"

Friday September 12:

*Readings:*

Canetti (387-462): **Brigitte Buchhammer**

Guest Lecture (if possible)

### Week 5 (September 15-21)

Monday September 15:

*Readings:*

Girard (9-44): **Olga Chistyakova**  
Girard (69-93): **Oladapo Jimoh Balogun**

*Paper Presentations:*

**Marta Turkot** "A quarter century of religion in a free country. Diagnosis of contemporary religion of Poles based on a paradigm of dis-secularization"

**Wei-Ding Tsai** "Heidegger und Rahner: An Interdisciplinary Dialogue between Philosophy and Theology as Hermeneutical Case Study"

Wednesday September 17:

*Paper Presentations:*

**Oladapo Jimoh Balogun** "Re-Appraising the Elements Of African Traditional Religion For A Multi-Conflict World In Search Of Peace: Precepts From Orisa Intellectual Culture"

**Qiu Genjiang** "Understanding Violence and Peace in Chinese Tradition"

*Readings:*

Girard (97-117): **Sayyed Hassan Hussaini (Akhlaq)**

Friday September 19:

*Readings:*

Girard (145-210): **John Farina**

*Conclusion and Evaluation of the Seminar*