

HOW SHOULD A LIBERAL DEMOCRACY REACT TO CONSCIENTIOUS OBJECTION CLAIMS?



Panel Three: Theological and Religious Perspectives on Conscience 16:10

This panel will present select religious and theological conceptions of conscience. The speakers will examine the role of conscientious objection within those traditions, exploring the questions of freedom of religion and freedom within religion. They will discuss a range of issues where individuals feel constrained by faith and conscience to resist, for example, the refusal to bear arms and conscientious objection within medicine.

16:10	Chair:	Dr Mary McAleese, Professor of Children, Law and Religion, University of
		Glasgow
16:15	Panellists:	Professor Linda Hogan, Trinity College Dublin
16:25		Professor David Albert Jones, The Anscombe Bioethics Centre
16:35		Professor David Novak, University of Toronto
16:45		Discussion/Q&A
17:10		Ends

Linda Hogan is Professor of Ecumenics at the School of Religion, Trinity College Dublin. She is an ethicist with extensive experience in research and teaching in pluralist and multi-religious contexts. Her primary research interests lie in the fields of inter-cultural and inter-religious ethics, social and political ethics, human rights and gender.

David Albert Jones is Director of the Anscombe Bioethics Centre, Oxford; Research Fellow at Blackfriars Hall, Oxford; Professor of Bioethics at St Mary's University, Twickenham; Vice-Chair of the Ministry of Defence Research Ethics Committee; a member of the Pontifical Academy for Life and of the Healthcare Executive Group of the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales.

Mary McAleese was President of Ireland 1997-2011. She is Chancellor of Trinity College Dublin.

David Novak is the J. Richard and Dorothy Shiff Professor of Jewish Studies and Philosophy, and Fellow of St. Michael's College, University of Toronto. He is a Fellow of the Royal Society of Canada, and the author of 19m books and over 200 articles and reviews. His latest book (based on his 2017 Gifford Lectures) is Athens and Jerusalem: God, Humans, and Nature.







