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### New Methods for the Study of Religion

Convener: Carrie A. Miles, George Mason University

'Religious Ritual and Cooperation: Testing for a Relationship on Israeli Religious and Secular Kibbutzim'

• Richard Sosis, University of Connecticut

'The UK 2001 Census of Religion and the American Religious Identification Survey 2001: A Comparative Analysis of Methodology and the Use of Religious Categories'

- Barry A. Kosmin, University of Southampton, UK
- Ariela Keysar, CUNY Graduate Center
- Egon Mayer, Brooklyn Center, CUNY

'Religious Research Online: The National Geographic Surveys'

• William S. Bainbridge, National Science Foundation

# Religious Extremism: The Good, The Bad, and the Ugly

Convener: Carmel U. Chiswick, University of Illinois at Chicago

'Understanding the Development of Fundamentalism'

- Ira Gang, Rutgers University
- Gil Epstein, Bar Ilan University

'Fertility and Education in Radical Islamic Sects: Evidence from Asia and Africa'

• Eli Berman and Ara Stepanyan, Rice University

'The Political Economy of Hatred'

• Edward Glaeser, Harvard University

## **Empirical Studies of Religion in America**

Convener: Giorgio Topa, New York University

'Are Church and State Substitutes? Evidence from the 1996 Welfare Reform'

• Dan Hungerman, Duke University

'Religiosity as a Determinant of Educational Attainment: The Case of Conservative Protestants in the United States'

• Evelyn Lehrer, University of Illinois at Chicago

'Rational Choice and American Jews: Three Case Studies'

• Bruce Phillips, Hebrew Union College

#### Religion and the Free-Rider Problem

Convener: Bridget Butkevich, George Mason University

'Do Religious Free Riders Prefer Popular Denominations?'

- Stephanie M. Brewer, Indiana University of Pennsylvania
- James J. Jozefowicz, Indiana University of Pennsylvania
- Robert Stonebraker, Winthrop University

'Compassionate Free-Riding: How Church Organization Structure Affects the Development of Civic Skills'

- Michelle Chin, Arizona State University
- Adam Warber, Clemson University
- Phillip Hardy, Arizona State University

'Salvation as a Selective Incentive: An Olsonian Analysis of the Faith vs. Works Cleavage'

• Jonathan Klick, George Mason University

#### **How Geographic Context Affects Religious Behavior**

Convener: Daniel Olson, Indiana University South Bend

'Religious Competition vs. Faithful Remnant: Why Locally Small Denominations Have High Commitment Levels'

• Daniel Olson, Indiana University South Bend

'Contrasting Religious Commitment Mechanisms in Large and Small Market Share Settings: The Case of U.S. Mormons'

• Rick Phillips, University of North Florida

'They'd Rather Quit than Switch: Scots and Religion'

• David Voas, University of Manchester, England

#### **ASREC Keynote Session**

Convener: Laurence Iannaccone, George Mason University

'Bourgeois Virtue: The Pagan and Theological Virtues'

• Dierdre McCloskey, University of Illinois at Chicago

#### **Religious Markets and Economic Incentives**

Convener: Maristella Botticini, Boston Unversity

'Pentecostal Practice in Socialist and Capitalist Societies: Explaining Change in Post-Soviet Ukraine'

• Catherine Wanner, Penn State University

'The Sign of the Oppressed Creature? Religious Adherence Among East German Youth, 1968-1989'

- Steven Pfaff, University of Washington
- Paul Froese, Baylor University

'Taking God Overseas: Competition and Institutional Homogeneity among International Christian Private Voluntary Organizations'

• Rachel McCleary, Harvard University

#### **Political Economy of Freedom and Faith**

**Convener**: Alberto Bisin, New York University

'International Evidence on Religious Freedom, State Religion, and Religious Attendance of Individuals'

• Charles North and Carl Gwin, Baylor University

'The Political Origins of Religious Liberty in Britain and the US'

• Anthony Gill, University of Washington

'Religious Versus Quality of Government: A Cross-National Study'

Robert Subrick, George Mason University

#### Int'l Studies of Religion and Socio-Economic Outcomes

Convener: S. Ramachandran, World Bank

'Religious Freedom and Religious Attendance in an International Panel'

• Charles North and Carl Gwin, Baylor University

'People's Opium? Religion and Economic Attitudes'

- Luigi Guiso, University of Sassari
- Paola Sapienza, Northwestern University
- Luigi Zinglaes, University of Chicago

'From Farmers to Merchants: An Economic Interpretation of Jewish Economic History'

• Maristella Botticini, Boston University

'Vidya, Veda, and Varna: The Influence of Religion and Caste on Education in Rural India'

- Sriya Iyer, Cambridge University
- Vani K. Borooah, University of Ulster

## **International Studies of Religious Markets**

Convener: Laurence Iannaccone, George Mason University

'The Growth of Protestant Religions in Mexico and Central America'

• James W. Dow, Oakland University

'Spirited Competition: Latin America's New Marketplace'

• Anrew Chesnut, University of Houston

'Religions in Communist China: Open, Black, and Gray Markets in a Shortage Economy'

• Fenggang Yang, Purdue University