



**AASR The Australian Association
for the Study of Religions**



International Centre for
**Muslim and non-Muslim
Understanding**

2nd call for papers

2 – 4 October, 2013

Venue: University of South Australia, City West Campus
Hawke Building, Bradley Forum, Level 5
50 – 55 North Terrace, Adelaide, South Australia

The Australian Association for the Study of Religions and The International Centre for Muslim and non-Muslim Understanding invite you to the AASR Annual conference with the theme:

The Paradox of Liberation and Religion

The relationships between religion and society and religion and the individual are multivalent. Religion can be mobilised as a source of empowerment, whilst at the same time curtailing individual and social freedom. Religion can also be a source of power over individual and collective spheres. The institutionalisation of religion within state apparatus can result in the extension of religious freedoms to some, and the oppression of others.

Call for Individual or Panel Presentations

- Individual paper proposals (200-300 word abstracts)
 - Panel proposals (200 word for the panel concept and 200-300 words on each panel paper).
 - For each paper, please provide a bio (up to 50 words) of the presenter(s).
- Presentations of 20 minutes with 5 minutes for questions

Plenary sessions

Toni Tidswell Curtin University “Community-based Violence against Muslim Women: A non-Muslim woman's response”

John D’Arcy May TCD; ACU; MCD; Monash “Time and History as Parameters of Liberation: Some Indications from Levinas and Nāgārjuna”

Gary Bouma Monash “Religion and Sex: Marriage Equality and the Attempt to Regulate Intimacy”

Chris Hartney, Roland Boer, Marion Maddox, Geoffrey Boucher “Religion and Political Thought: Paradox or Liberation”

Charles Strong Trust Lecture

Betty Pike writer-in-residence at Aboriginal Catholic Ministry, Melbourne & **Robyn Reynolds** Yarra Theological Union in Melbourne “A Far Cry: Resounding Call for all Australians”

Please submit your abstract by July 31st 2013 to MnM-Centre@unisa.edu.au