

The Edward Cadbury Centre for the Public Understanding of Religion

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News

Public engagement

The United Nations launched an [initiative to combat atrocities with the help of religious leaders and actors](#) on 21 July 2017.

The event was attended by three invited participants from Birmingham: [Dr. Josef Boehle](#) (University of Birmingham), [Dr Iqtidar Cheema](#) (Honorary Fellow of the Cadbury Centre) and Bhai Sahib Mohinder Singh (a recipient of a Honorary Doctorate of the University of Birmingham).

Professor Francis Davis' report on disability employment, co-authored with Liam Booth-Smith, Chief Executive of Localis, was launched by Department for Work and Pensions on 11 July 2017. Professor Davis argued for a '[disability deal](#).'

Honorary Fellow Dr Tanya Riches worked with Aboriginal Christian leaders in Australia [to celebrate NAIDOC week at Hillsong Conference 2017](#).

Publications

Professor Candida Moss has published *Bible Nation - The United States of Hobby Lobby* - and it is available [now](#)

Honorary Fellow Katie Harrison [discussed the promises and pitfalls of religious polls](#) on BBC Radio 4's *Beyond Belief* on 18 September 2017.

Honorary Fellow Katie Harrison writes a weekly column for the new media platform UnHerd. In her latest article, she writes about the [16th century version of Remain or Leave](#).

Professor Jocelyne Cesari published a book review with the title [Why Muslim Integration Fails in Christian-Heritage Societies](#) in the *Journal of Islamic Studies* on 5 September 2017.

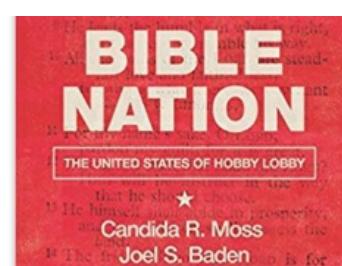
Professor Jocelyne Cesari's new book *Islam, Gender and Democracy in Comparative Perspective* [was launched](#) by



UN Secretary-General Guterres, [Dr Cheema](#) (standing to the left of Guterres), Bhai Sahib Mohinder Singh (first person to the right in the photo) and religious leaders in New York on 14 July 2017 (Copyright: GNNSJ, 2017)



Liam Booth-Smith (Localis), Penny Mordaunt MP, Minister of State for Department for Work and Pensions and [Professor Francis Davis](#) (Copyright: Localis/Twitter) on 11 July 2017.



the Institute of Religion and Politics at the Australian Catholic University on 2 August 2017.

Professor Francis Davis [shares his reflections after going to Srebrenica this month](#), 25 years after first visiting Bosnia.

Professor Francis Davis wrote in the Birmingham Brief on 13 July 2017 that '[we do not think of disabled people enough](#)'

Professor Candida Moss writes [a weekly column](#) for The Daily Beast.

Staff news

Professor Candida Moss has joined the Department of Theology and Religion as [Edward Cadbury Professor of Theology](#).

Professor Bryan Turner has joined the Cadbury Centre as [Distinguished Honorary Fellow](#).

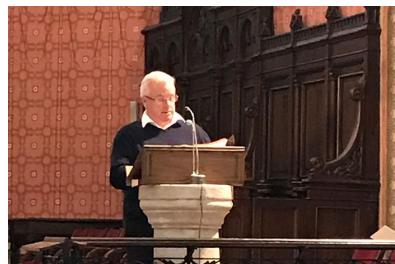
Professor Paul Jackson (International Development Department) and **Dr Sarah Hall** (School of Education) are the Cadbury Centre's new University Fellows.

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Professor Candida Moss' new book *Bible Nation - The United States of Hobby Lobby*



Professor Bryan S. Turner, Professor Jocelyne Cesari, and Dr Joshua M. Roose at the book launch on 2 August 2017.



Professor Francis Davis in Srebrenica. He was visiting Bosnia at the invitation of the FCO/DCLG supported charity Remembering Srebrenica (© Francis Davis)

Events

The Mayor and Faith Conference

The Edward Cadbury Centre will host the first ever Mayor and Faith Conference with Andy Street, Mayor of the West Midlands, on 27 November 2017 at the University of Birmingham. More details will be available on the [Cadbury Centre's website](#) in the upcoming weeks.

Professor José Casanova to deliver 2018 Cadbury Lectures

The Cadbury Centre is delighted to announce that Professor José Casanova (Georgetown University) will give the 2018 Edward Cadbury Lectures.

Professor Casanova is based in the departments of Sociology and Theology at Georgetown University, and is a senior fellow at the Berkley Center for Religion, Peace and World Affairs (based at Georgetown). He is one of the world's top scholars in the sociology of religion, with his research focusing on globalisation, religion and secularisation.

[More information on Professor Casanova and the Cadbury Lectures](#)

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