

**Tuesday Jan 31, 2012
17:00 – 19:00**

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Religion, Reconciliation and the EuroRare Project

EURORARE is a collaborative social science and humanities research project.

One of our future challenges is to create a comprehensive understanding of actions with religious justifications. This raises crucial questions: How do religions contribute to violence and/or reconciliation? Do they have an impact at all? In the last decade there has been increased focus on the destabilizing impact of religiously based thinking and acting. Academic research and media portrayals of religion have emphasised its violent manifestations. Much less attention has been paid to the peaceful side of religion in reconciliation processes during or in the aftermath of a conflict.

EuroRARE will explore these questions by analysing the connections between religious traditions, religiously justified actions, violence and/or reconciliation. Its scientific aim is to develop a framework for a better understanding of the role of religion in conflicts and post-conflict societies.

For further information, see:

<http://www.religion-and-reconciliation.eu>



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Venue: Trinity College Dublin:
Long Room Hub, Lecture Theatre