

2021 Religion and Foreign Policy Workshop

The annual CFR Religion and Foreign Policy Workshop brings together religious leaders, scholars, and representatives of faith-based organizations from across the country to discuss pressing international issues.

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Via Zoom

All times are EDT

Tuesday, May 18, 2021

1:00 to 2:15 p.m.

A Conversation With Richard N. Haass

[Richard N. Haass](#), *President, Council on Foreign Relations*

[Krista Tippett](#), *Host, On Being Podcast, Moderating*

2:15 to 2:45 p.m.

Break

2:45 to 4:00 p.m.

Responding to the Rise of Global Migration

[Nazanin Ash](#), *Vice President for Public Policy and Advocacy, International Rescue Committee*

[Elizabeth G. Ferris](#), *Research Professor, Institute for the Study of International Migration, Walsh School of Foreign Service, Georgetown University*

[Krish O'Mara Vignarajah](#), *President and Chief Executive Officer, Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Service*

[Niraj Warikoo](#), *Immigration and Religion Reporter, Detroit Free Press, Moderating*

4:00 to 4:15 p.m.

Break

4:15 to 5:15 p.m.

Meet and Greet

The plenary sessions are on the record.

The meet and greet and discussion groups are not for attribution.

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Wednesday, May 19, 2021

- 11:00 to 11:45 a.m.** ***A Conversation With Cardinal Dolan***
[Timothy M. Dolan](#), Cardinal-Archbishop, Archdiocese of New York
[Jack Jenkins](#), National Reporter, Religion News Service, Moderating
- 11:45 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.** **Break**
- 12:00 to 1:00 p.m.** ***The Religion Community's Role in Managing COVID-19***
[Jacqueline J. Lewis](#), Senior Minister for Public Theology and Transformation,
Middle Collegiate Church
[Melissa Rogers](#), Executive Director, Office of Faith-Based and
Neighborhood Partnerships, White House
[Walter Kim](#), President, National Association of Evangelicals, Moderating
- 1:00 to 1:30 p.m.** **Break**
- 1:30 to 2:45 p.m.** ***Concurrent Discussion Groups on Political and
Faith-Based Polarization: Bridging the Divide***
[Rafael Capó](#), Vice President for Mission and Dean of Theology, St. Thomas School of
Theology and Ministry
[Jocelyne Cesari](#), Professor of Religion and Politics, Department of Theology and Religion,
University of Birmingham
[Mohamed Elsanousi](#), Executive Director, Network for Religious and Traditional
Peacemakers
[Mark E. Fowler](#), Chief Executive Officer, Tanenbaum Center for Interreligious
Understanding
[C. Welton Gaddy](#), President Emeritus and Senior Advisor, Interfaith Alliance
[Antonios Kireopoulos](#), Associate General Secretary, National Council of Churches USA
[Darius Makuja](#), Associate Professor, Religious Studies Department, Le Moyne College
[Peter Mandaville](#), Professor of Government and Politics, Schar School of Policy and
Government, George Mason University
[Katherine Marshall](#), Professor of the Practice of Development, Conflict, and Religion,
School of Foreign Service, and Senior Fellow, Berkley Center for Religion, Peace, and
World Affairs, Georgetown University
[Ruth Messinger](#), Global Ambassador, American Jewish World Service
[Chris Seiple](#), Principal Advisor, Templeton Religion Trust
- 2:45 to 3:00 p.m.** **Break**

3:00 to 4:15 p.m.

Religious Nationalism Around the World

[Sylvester Johnson](#), Professor and Founding Director, Center for Humanities, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University

[Mark Juergensmeyer](#), Distinguished Professor of Sociology and Global Studies and Affiliate Professor of Religious Studies, University of California, Santa Barbara

[Azza Karam](#), Secretary-General, Religions for Peace International

[Simran Jeet Singh](#), Senior Advisor for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion, YSC Consulting, Moderating

4:15 p.m.

Closing Blessing

[Jesse L. Jackson](#), Founder and President, Rainbow PUSH Coalition, Inc.