

The Second ISA Forum of Sociology  
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**RC 22 -Research Committee for the Sociology of Religion**

**Call for Sessions:**

**“Religion, Justice and Democratization in contemporary societies”**

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The current debate on religion in the public space has been intense, extensive and sophisticated during the last decades. However, it has not paid enough attention to concepts such as justice and democratization.

The purpose of this RC 22 meeting is thus to explore the relationships between religion, justice and democratization –understood in a broad sense – in the public space and in everyday life. We invite RC 22 members to propose sessions that deal with these subjects, in their relationship with contemporary debates in the Sociology of Religion.

Sessions could focus on theoretical, methodological and/ or empirical approaches that address issues such as the different understandings of Justice -comprising, but not limited to social justice or law justice- and religion; religious pluralism and democratization processes; the role of religion as a carrier in the struggle for democracy; the legal recognition of religious minorities; religion and empowerment in everyday practices; struggles for religious freedom; lay State and the national (religious) culture; religiously inspired social movements; justice, religion and wars; religion and human rights; popular religion and alternative practices of justice; etc.

**Submissions:**

To propose a Session, please send an abstract (no more than 300 words), your full name, institutional affiliation, e-mail and a short bio to Eloísa Martín ([eloisamartin@hotmail.com](mailto:eloisamartin@hotmail.com)) no later than **June 20<sup>th</sup> 2011**.

*Please, note that to submit a session proposal it is necessary to be a RC 22 member and that one cannot present a paper in the same session that one is chairing.*

In order to be included in the programme, all participants (presenters, chairs, discussants, etc.) need to be registered by the early registration deadline April 10, 2012. If not registered, their names will not appear in the Programme Book or in the Abstracts Book.

**Further Information**

**On the Conference:** <http://www.isa-sociology.org/buenos-aires-2012/>

**On ISA:** <http://www.isa-sociology.org/>

**On RC 22:** <http://www.isa-sociology.org/rc22.htm> and <http://www.isarc22.org/>