

Religion, Civilizationism and the Specter of Decline

13-14 November 2025

Loft, Luiss Campus at Viale Romania 32, Rome

13 November, 10:00 am

10:00 am Welcome and Introduction

Rosario Forlenza
Luiss

Giovanni Orsina
Luiss

Srirupa Roy
University of Göttingen

Thomas Hansen
Stanford University

10:30 am Speakers

Phil Gorski
Yale University

Civilizational Rhetoric in the United States

Daniel MacDonald
University of Oxford

***Civilizationist Discourse and the Making
of Catholic Pan-Americanism***

Chair and discussant

Rosario Forlenza
Luiss

Lunch

2:00 pm Speakers

Thomas Hansen
Stanford University

Srirupa Roy
University of Göttingen

***Integral Civilizationism? Towards a New Political
Genealogy of the Civilizational Turn in Europe
and India***

Rosario Forlenza
Luiss

Bjørn Thomassen
Roskilde University

***Civilizationism and the New Right: Recasting
Religion and the Nation in Contemporary Europe***

Chair and discussant

Gregorio Bettiza
Alma Mater University of Bologna

4:00 pm Coffee Break

4:30 pm Keynote

Faisal Devij
University of Oxford

The End of Islam

Chair

Bjørn Thomassen
Roskilde University

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Speakers

Gil Hochberg

Columbia University

Christian Zionism: The Making of World Order

Faisal Devij

University of Oxford

***Escaping the Global Event: Pan-Islam
and the First World War***

Chair and discussant

Thomas Hansen

Stanford University

12:30 pm Lunch

Kristina Stoeckl

Luiss

***Gender as a Civilizational Fault Line: Religion,
Traditional Values, and the Russian World***

Douglas Ober

Fort Lewis College and University of British Columbia

***Faith-Based and Faith-Less? Heritage, Diplomacy,
and the Buddhist Civilizational Imagination in
Modern India***

Chair and discussant

Silvia Menegazzi

Luiss

4:00 pm Coffee Break

4:30 pm Final Discussion

Chair

Srirupa Roy

University of Göttingen

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