

Conference booking form for full attendance 15th-17th July 2019

Where there is an asterisk (*) please circle your requirement

Name & title:

Name preferred for name badge:

Address:

Telephone:

Email (only if you wish us to use this):

Are you vegetarian? **Yes / No ***

Other special dietary requirements:

I should like lunch on Day 1 **Yes / No***

I wish to book an **en suite *** room at £250

I wish to book a **standard*** room at £195

If sharing, I wish to share a room with:

Are you a member of Modern Church? **Yes / No ***

I am happy for my name and other details to be included on a list circulated to other attendees to encourage car-sharing. **Yes / No***

Is there any other information we should consider when allocating your room?

I enclose a cheque, payable to 'Modern Church'

for the deposit of £40 per person £ **OR** the full fee of £

(deduct £15 from the full fee if you are a member of Modern Church **and** the booking is made before 31 March 2019).

PLUS I would like to donate £ to sponsor a student. Gift Aid?

OR I wish to pay by telephone / internet bank transfer - Please send me details of the account (please tick here)

Signature:

Date:



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**2019
Annual
Conference**

Theology in the public square



Monday 15th July (arrive from midday, lunch 1.00pm)
to Wednesday 17th July 2019 (end with tea at 3.45pm)

High Leigh Conference Centre, Hoddesdon, Herts

www.cct.org.uk

Conference Chair: Professor Elaine Graham

Conference Chaplain: Revd Ruth Fitter

Speakers include: *Malcolm Brown, Adam Dinham, Rosie Dawson,
Maria Power, Anna Rowlands, Jonathan Draper.*

Introduction to the conference

In the days of Christendom in the West, public life was dominated, constrained and governed by religion and theology. By the latter half of the 20th century in Western Europe it seemed that religion and theology were destined to disappear from the public social life. In the opening years of the 21st century it has become clear that religion and theology are becoming essential elements in understanding the competing narratives in the public square.

This conference sets out to address questions of the relationship of religion and public life - moving beyond simply religion and politics and considering the role and impact of faith at many levels of culture, economics, media, community organising and public policy.

The conference will address the issues of representations of religion, in news and entertainment media, considering the challenges for churches and other faith bodies in engaging ethically and strategically with different branches of the media.

There will be speakers and workshops exploring questions around secular vocations for lay people, grass-roots campaigning, perceptions of religion within popular culture, and the relationship between churches and politics.

As the UK is expected to cease its membership of the EU in March 2019, Jonathan Draper, General Secretary of Modern Church, will consider the prospects of this historic event for the future of public theology in the UK.



*High Leigh
Conference
Centre*

Modern Church Conference 2019: Booking details

High Leigh Conference Centre, Lord Street, Hoddesdon, Herts, EN11 8SG (www.cct.org.uk) is comfortable, well-equipped and easily accessible by car and public transport. The Centre offers a choice of:

- Standard room which has a washbasin; there is a tea bar in the corridor; these rooms have single or twin, but not double beds; or
- En suite room with a shower or bath and tea/coffee making facilities in the room; these rooms have single, twin or double beds.

Conference fees:

- Full residence in an en suite room per person: **£250**
- Full residence in a standard room per person: **£195**

Modern Church member's discount if booking by 31st March 2019: **£15**

A non-refundable deposit of £40 will secure your place.

Full payment is requested by 31st May 2019, however, payment in full with your booking would save time for you and for us.

If you have to cancel within four weeks of the conference, we may need to retain the full booking fee if we cannot re-allocate your room.

Part time attendance:

It may be possible to offer places on non-resident, part-time basis, depending on demand for full time places. Contact the Modern Church Administrator for further information.

Reduced fees:

A reduction in fees may be available for those on very low incomes. Please contact the Modern Church Administrator for an application form.

Sponsor a student:

Modern Church is keen to encourage students to attend this conference and, where possible, offer them free places. A contribution towards the cost would be appreciated. There is an option for this on the booking form.

Please return your completed booking form to:

Diane Kutar, Modern Church Administrator,
22 The Kiln, Burgess Hill, West Sussex, RH15 0LU.