

Call For Papers:
The Future of Science and Religion in a Globalizing World
The 60th Anniversary Conference of
The Institute on Religion in an Age of Science
August 2-9, 2014
[Star Island, New Hampshire](#)

On the occasion of the 60th anniversary of IRAS (and the upcoming 50th anniversary of Zygon: Journal of Religion and Science in 2015), we will consider the relevance and significance of religion and of science--and of IRAS--in a world that has changed in many ways since the mid-twentieth century.

In light of developments in the sciences, religious studies and society, we will explore new and enduring questions: "Can either science or religion, or both taken together, enable us to organize and govern ourselves in harmony with the Earth with enough wisdom to cope with the emerging conditions of the 21st Century? If so, what do we require in our understandings of religion, science, ourselves, and the cosmos? Which insights stand the test of time? What about our inherited enterprises of science, religion and society must be re-conceived, re-thought and renewed? Do discreet categories of 'science' and 'religion' even make sense in today's globalized world? How do we conceive of hybridity in terms of meaning-making practices and identity construction within pluralistic societies?"

Plenary Speakers include: Nancy Abrams and Joel Primack, Zain Bagir, Whitney Bauman, Willem Drees, Sarah Fredericks, James Haag, Mark Jeurgensmeyer, Karl Peters, Michael Ruse, and Lea Schweitz.

We invite paper proposals and poster presentations on the themes of the conference and on religion, science, and globalization in general. Papers will have 50 minute time-blocks. Posters will be displayed and available during the conference. All paper proposals and posters will be peer-reviewed.

This year, we are pleased to offer some **awards** for those who are new to IRAS or Star Island (or who have not attended in the past two years). For the best proposals, the award is full room and board and partial travel to Star Island. In addition, we have several awards that will cover half of the costs of room and board for the week-long conference. More information about this year's conference (including information about the plenary speakers) can be found here: <http://www.iras.org/2014-conference.html>.

Proposals should include:

- A cover letter with your contact information that indicates whether your proposal is an individual paper or poster session. The cover letter should also include whether or not you would like to be considered for one of the above-mentioned awards.
- An abstract of no more than 150 words
- A narrative of no more than 500 words (roughly two, double-spaced pages)

The **Deadline** for proposals is **February 1, 2014** and decisions will be made by **March 1, 2014**.

Submit all proposals as **Microsoft Word attachments** to Pauline Candaux at pcandaux@gmail.com. Please put "(your Last Name) IRAS Proposal" on the subject line of every communication.