

# Imams in Western Europe

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### Keynotes:

Hilary Kalmbach (University of Sussex), Jasser Auda (European Council for Fatwa and Research, Ireland), Jonathan Laurence (Boston College), Jorgen Nielsen (University of Copenhagen), Marco Ventura (Catholic University of Leuven), Stefano Allievi (University of Padova)

### Speakers and chairs of sessions:

Abdellah Redouane, Antonio La Spina, Atif Imtiaz, Carmela Decaro, Cédric Beyloq, Domenico Melidoro, Mansur Ali, Ersilia Francesca, Evrim Ersan Akkilic, Farid El Asri, Francesca Corrao, Francesco Zannini, Federico Cresti, Francesco Alicino, Giovanni Orsina, Imam Yahya Pallavicini, Jan Jaap de Ruiter, Jorgen Nielsen, Juan Ferreiro Galguera, Kristine Sinclair, Mansur Ali, Melanie Kamp, Oliver Scharbrodt, Paolo Branca, Raffaele Marchetti, Riem Spielhaus, Riita Latvio, Romain Sèze, Samim Akgönül, Sara Borrillo, Sara Silvestri, Shaukat Warraich, Solenne Jouanneau, Thijl Sunier, Tuomas Martikainen, Valentina Gentile, Zaid Eyadat.

### Conveners:

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### Co-conveners:

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