



Faraday Institute Summer Course 2023 *Science, Faith and Hope for the Future*

PROGRAMME

Sunday 2nd July

[4pm Arrival, Registration, Tea & coffee]

5.15pm **Graham Budd** – Opening Words

5.30-6.30pm **Prof. Elaine Howard Ecklund** – ‘Why Scientific and Religious Communities Need Each Other: Hope for Ways Forward’
[7pm Dinner, Bar]

Monday 3rd July

[9.35 Welcome & Notices]

Chairs: **Prof. Sarah Perrett, Graham Budd**

9.45-10.45am **Prof. John Walton** – ‘Science and Jewish Scriptures: How the Book of Job Prepares Us to Face Natural Disasters’

[10.45am Tea and coffee, Bookstall]

11.30-12.30 **(online) Prof. Rana Dajani** – ‘Science in the Arab World: A New Yet Ancient Framework for a Better More Inclusive Science for the Future of Humanity’

[12.30 Lunch, Free time]

[3pm Tea and coffee, Bookstall]

3.45-4.45pm **Rev Dr Jonathan Jong** – ‘Is Religion in Decline? Secularization Meets Cognitive and Evolutionary Psychology’

[Short Break]

5.15-6.30pm **Meet the Speakers Panel: Dr Denis Alexander, Prof. Elaine Howard Ecklund & Rev Dr Jonathan Jong**
[7pm Dinner, Bar]

Tuesday 4th July

[9.40 Notices]

Chairs: **Steph Bryant, Cara Parrett**

9.45am **Dr Ruth Bancewicz:** Introduction to Faraday Church Engagement Programme

10-11am **Prof. Elaine Howard Ecklund** – ‘How Religious Communities Can Better Interact with Atheist Scientists’

[11am Tea and coffee, Bookstall]

11.30-12.30 **Dr Sharon Dirckx** – ‘Neuroscience & Religion: What Does it Mean to be Human in an Age of Brain Mapping and Neural Correlates?’

[12.30 Lunch, Free time]

2-3pm **Discussion Groups** (Online Zoom Meeting with Breakout Rooms for all participants)

[3.15pm Tea and coffee, Bookstall]

3.45-4.45pm **Dr Mehdi Nassaji** – ‘The Evolving Interplay of Islam and Psychology’

[Short Break]

5.15-6.30pm **Theme Panel: ‘Broken Planet, Christian Hope’ Prof. Bob White FRS & Dr Sharon Dirckx**

[7pm Dinner, Bar]

Wednesday 5th July

[9.40 Notices]

Chairs: Dr Ruth Bancewicz, Dr Mike Brownutt

9.45am Steph Bryant & Cara Parrett: Introduction to Faraday Youth & Schools Programme

10-11am Dr Bethany Sollereeder – ‘God, Evolution and Climate Change: Theological Approaches to a World of Suffering’

[11am Tea and coffee, Bookstall]

11.30-12.30 Theme Panel: ‘From Suffering to Hope’ Dr Bethany Sollereeder & Prof. John Walton

[12.30 Lunch, Free time]

[Optional Outings – Punting, Whipple Museum]

[4.45pm Tea and coffee]

5.30-6.30pm (online) Revd Dr Katy Hinman – ‘Consider the Lilies of the Field: Pollination Ecology and Theology’

[7pm Dinner, Bar]

Thursday 6th July

[9.40 Notices]

Chairs: Dr Denis Alexander, Dr Pui Him Ip

9.45am Dr Pui Him Ip: Intro to Faraday Tutorial Programme

10-11am Prof. John Wyatt – ‘Ethics in Medicine & Technology’

[11am Tea and coffee, Bookstall]

11.30-12.30 Prof. Keith Fox – ‘Promises and Challenges of Human Genome Editing’

[12.30 Lunch, Free time]

2-3pm Discussion Groups (Online Zoom Meeting with Breakout Rooms for all participants)

[3.15pm Tea and coffee, Bookstall]

3.45-4.45pm (online) Prof. Jeff Hardin – ‘Wonderfully Made: Embryos, the Future, and Christian Belief’

[Short Break]

5.15-6.30pm Theme Panel: ‘AI, Technology and the Future of Humanity’ Dr Ruth Bancewicz (Chair), Graham Budd, Dr Mike Brownutt, Prof. John Wyatt

[7pm Reception and Group Photo]

[7.30pm Dinner]

Friday 7th July

[9.40 Notices]

Chairs: Graham Budd, Prof. Sarah Perrett

9.45-10.45am Prof. Russell Cowburn FRS – ‘Nanotechnology: A Disaster Averted’

[10.45am Tea and coffee, Bookstall]

11.30-12.30 Dr Denis Alexander – ‘Coming to Faith Through Dawkins’

12.30 Graham Budd – **Closing Words**

12.45 Close

[12:45 Lunch and Departures]

Notes:

- All times are in BST (GMT+1 / UCT+1 / London UK time)
- The programme is provisional and timings or content may change
- **Hybrid (online and in person) events are in bold**
- *[In person-only events are in brackets]*
- *[In person participants should be seated **5-10 mins before session start time** to hear announcements and allow filming of the session to begin]*
- Speakers plan to attend in person unless indicated as “(online)”
- Lectures will be in person and Zoom Webinar (Recorded)
- Theme Panels will be in person and Zoom Webinar (Recorded)
- Meet the Speakers Events will be in person and Zoom Meeting or Webinar (Not recorded)
- Discussion Group Events will be Zoom Meeting with Breakout Rooms (Not recorded) – Zoom open to all attendees (with meeting in person also an option)
- All registered participants will have access to recordings of the lectures and online materials