

Fact Sheet:

Varieties of Religious Establishments

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Event Description:

The workshop, "Varieties of Religious Establishments," funded by the Religion and Diversity Project, St. Thomas University, the Atlantic Human Rights Centre, and the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada brought together scholars from Australia, the United States and Canada to examine the role of governments in the establishment of religion. While assertions of religious neutrality or secularism are common to states throughout the world, it is clear that they, through a variety of mechanisms and practices, privilege some types of religious expression while marginalizing others. This workshop examined the informal and formal ways in which states engage in religious establishment and regulation.

Results Dissemination:

Varieties of Religious Establishment, ed. W. Sullivan and L. Beaman, Routledge, 2013.