

Muslims as Neighbours

CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR CHRISTIANS TODAY

At this symposium we will be looking at fruitful ways of associating with each other as Christians and Muslims in society.

Islam has become an undeniable part of Western society. In many respects, Muslims and Christians have become each other's neighbours: religiously, socially, and politically. But: are we able to deal with this in a fruitful way together, or do we mostly encounter mutual misunderstanding, not knowing each other, living in our own "bubble"? What are the main opportunities and challenges for contact between Christians and Muslims? The Herman Bavinck Lecture for 2022, by **Professor Christine Schirmacher** (University of Bonn), will enter into these questions. At the symposium following this lecture, there will be a discussion between speakers from various backgrounds and the participants about best practices, obstacles, and fresh initiatives for mutual relations between Muslims and Christians.

PROGRAMME

- 16:00** Opening and Herman Bavinck Lecture by Professor Schirmacher
- 17:00** Performance by the **University Choir** of TU Kampen, followed by a drinks reception
- 17.45** Dinner
- 19:00** Three perspectives on the relationship between Christians and Muslims:
 - *Social perspective* (**Rien van der Toorn**)
 - *Christian theological perspective* (**Bernhard Reitsma**)
 - *Islamic theological perspective* (**Anne Dijk**)
- 20:00** Break
- 20:15** Panel discussion
- 21:00** Closing



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**HERMAN BAVINCK
LECTURE 2022**

Christine Schirmacher

KEY SPEAKERS

**Anne Dijk
Bernhard Reitsma
Rien van der Toorn**

LOCATION, COST, REGISTRATION AND CERTIFICATE

The symposium will take place on **May 31st 2022** in the Broederkerk in Kampen (Broederstraat 16). The Herman Bavinck Lecture is open to the public and *free of charge*. Registration is required at www.weetwatjegeloof.nl/islam

The fee for the evening program, including diner, is € 49.-*

Attendance of the entire symposium entitles to a **0.25 EC certificate** for Permanent Education. Interested in a certificate? Apply via www.pepredikanten.nl/islam

* In the event that the precautions concerning COVID-19 cause the organization to hold the entire symposium online, restitution of the fee is not possible, unfortunately.

