



**EUROPEAN ACADEMY OF RELIGION**  
**EIGHTH ANNUAL CONFERENCE**  
**VIENNA, 8-12 JULY 2025**  
**CALL FOR PROPOSALS**

The European Academy of Religion is pleased to announce its Eighth Annual Conference, which will take place in Vienna (AT) from **8-12 July 2025**. The Research Center "["Religion and Transformation in Contemporary Society" \(RaT\)](#)" will be the hosting institution.

The overarching topic of the conference is ["Religion and Socio-Cultural Transformation: European Perspectives and Beyond"](#), with keynote lectures planned for all conference days. Scholars, students, practitioners, and other interested parties are encouraged to participate in the conference by organizing and proposing panels.

**Call for Proposals**

EuARe welcomes panel and Author Meets critique (AMC) proposals for the 2025 conference.

Panel proposals may be:

- **Closed Panels** if the proposal is fully finalized
- **Open Panels** if the proposal accepts further paper proposal submission.
- **Author Meets Critique (AMC)** panels if the proposal involves presenting a recently published work, with the author responding to critique from other panelists.

Participants are encouraged to involve young scholars in their panels, to foster fresh perspectives, promote diversity of thought, and cultivate the next generation of experts in the field.



## KEY DATES

Opening of the <b>Call for proposals</b> (open panels, closed panels, AMC)	August 6, 2024
Opening of Early-bird registrations	November 4, 2024
Opening of the Membership year	November 4, 2024
Deadline for <b>Call for proposals</b> (open panels, closed panels, AMC)	<del>December 15, 2024</del> <b>December 29, 2024</b>
Opening of the <b>Call for papers</b> within open panels	<del>January 7, 2025</del> <b>January 15, 2025</b>
Deadline for Early-bird registration	January 31, 2025
Opening of Regular Registration	February 1, 2025
Deadline for <b>Call for papers</b>	April 4, 2025
Deadline for paper proposal evaluation by open panel proponents	April 18, 2025
Release of the draft conference schedule	April 30, 2025
Schedule alteration requests	April 30 - May 14, 2025
Release of the final conference schedule	May 21, 2025
Deadline for panelists' registration	June 1, 2025
Deadline for regular delegates' registration	July 1, 2025
<b>Conference</b>	<b>July 8 - 12, 2025</b>



## PROPOSAL SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

To submit your proposal, create an account on our [Panel Submission](#) platform and follow the instructions. A step-by-step guide is available here: [Submission Procedure Guide](#).

The conference will be organized in one-hour timeslots. Every hour-long timeslot must allow sufficient time for speakers' presentations as well as questions and discussion. A typical arrangement of a timeslot could be two presentations of 20 minutes each, followed by 20 minutes of questions. However, other arrangements (e.g. three presentations of 15 minutes each, followed by 15 minutes of questions) are valid.

Panel convenors will receive a notification of acceptance or rejection, or, occasionally, a request for more details, by January 7th at the latest.

### General rules for all types of panels:

- **Panel proposals must include at least one proponent, one chair, and two agreed papers (two speakers, in case of an AMC).**
- **Panel proposals must include panelists from at least two different institutions.**

If the proposal doesn't comply with these rules and with the requirements below, submission to the deciding body of the Executive Committee won't be allowed by the system.



## REQUIREMENTS

### 1. CLOSED PANELS

The panel convenor must submit a title, abstract, and the names of **at least three agreed panelists** (chair or speakers) coming from **at least two different institutions**, of which the convenor may be one, who have confirmed their participation to him or her.

To be accepted, panels must comprise at least one chair and two papers to be presented, and the abstracts should be convincing in terms of academic quality. In the online submission form, panel convenors must submit the following:

- the title of the panel
- an abstract of up to 2000 characters, spaces included
- at least one subject area
- the names, institutional affiliations, and e-mail addresses of the proponent and the chair of the panel
- the titles of at least two papers that will be presented during the panel
- the abstracts of the papers
- the names, institutional affiliations, and e-mail addresses of the speakers who will present the papers
- an indication of the desired number of slots/hours (one slot equals one hour)

Please note that the system will require you to **first add the panel's general information** (title, abstract, subject areas, number of requested slots, proponent information, chair information), then you must click on "Save". **After that**, you will be able to **add information on the papers** (title, abstract, speakers' information) that will be presented within the panel by clicking on the "+" symbol next to the panel title.

Accepted closed panels will be advertised on EuARe's website in the [Accepted Proposals](#) section starting from September 1st, 2024.



## 2. OPEN PANELS

The panel convenor must submit a title, abstract, and the names of **at least three agreed panelists** (chair or speakers) coming from **at least two different institutions**, of which the convenor may be one. In the panel submission form, the panel convenor will indicate the number of papers from other scholars that will be accepted.

Following acceptance of the panel by the EuARE Executive Committee, open panels will be advertised on the EuARE website and social media outlets and may be publicized further by their convenors. Individuals wishing to join an open panel must submit their paper abstracts following the guidelines of the **Call for papers**, which starts on January 7th, 2025. **Open panel proponents will be in charge of the evaluation of paper proposals.**

In the online submission form, panel convenors must submit:

- the title of the panel
- an abstract of up to 2000 characters, spaces included
- at least one subject area
- the names, institutional affiliations, and e-mail addresses of the proponent and the chair of the panel
- the titles of at least two papers that will be presented during the panel
- the abstracts of the papers
- the names, institutional affiliations, and e-mail addresses of the speakers who will present the papers
- an indication of the number of paper proposals that will be accepted
- an indication of the desired number of slots/hours (one slot equals one hour)

Please note that the system will require you to **first add the panel's general information** (title, abstract, subject areas, number of requested slots, number of accepted papers, proponent information, chair information), then you must click on "Save". **After that**, you will be able to **add information on the papers** (title, abstract, speakers' information) that will be presented within the panel by clicking on the "+" symbol next to the panel title.



Open panels will be advertised on EuARE's website in the [Accepted Proposals](#) section starting from September 1st, 2024. Individuals interested in submitting a paper are invited to check the website regularly before the opening of the call to find the panels where their contribution suits best.

### 3. AUTHOR MEETS CRITIQUE PROPOSALS

An 'Author Meets Critique' panel (AMC) allows the author of a significant, recently published work to receive and respond to scholarly critique.

While the author needs not be the panel's convenor, his or her participation must be agreed upon at the time of proposal. As with other panel types, **AMC proposals must be composed of at least one chair and two academic commentators coming from at least two different institutions.**

On the online submission form, AMC convenors must submit:

- the book title
- a panel abstract of up to 2000 characters, spaces included
- the name, institutional affiliation, and e-mail address of the panel convenor
- the name, institutional affiliation, and e-mail address of the book author
- the names, institutional affiliations, and e-mail addresses of the speakers
- at least one subject area
- full details of the book to be discussed, including an image of the cover page in .jpg or .pdf format.

The standard duration of an AMC panel is one hour, although more slots could be granted upon request.

AMC panels will be advertised on EuARE's website in the [Accepted Proposals](#) section starting from September 1st, 2024.



## FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS FOR ALL CONVENORS AND PANELISTS

1. The language of the European Academy of Religion and its annual conference is English to enable the widest possible participation. We invite each and every speaker to take this policy into account.
2. The conference will be only in person, no hybrid formats will be possible.
3. All panel proponents will receive final notification of their panel's acceptance no later than January 15th, 2024
4. Open panel proponents are responsible for the evaluation of paper proposals within their panels and will receive further instructions on the evaluation procedure before the start of the Call for papers.
5. The Call for papers for open panels starts on January 15th, 2025, and ends on April 4th, 2025. All paper proposals shall be evaluated by open panel proponents by April 18th, 2025.
6. After the publication of the draft conference program on EuARE's website (April 30th), only panel proponents' requests for schedule changes will be taken into account. All panelists will receive their Draft Personal Agenda to allow them to verify if there are overlaps. We invite all participants to bear in mind that their draft agenda could be modified with the release of the final program due to schedule alteration requests.
7. We invite panel proponents to send schedule alteration requests to [euare2025@univie.ac.it](mailto:euare2025@univie.ac.it) from April 30th, 2025 until May 14th, 2025.
8. Once the final conference program is published on EuARE's website, all panelists will receive their Final Personal Agenda, and no further schedule change can be made thereafter.
9. All panelists will be required to have registered for the conference by June 1st, or they might be removed from the program.



## GENERAL SCHEDULE 8-12 JULY 2025

	Tuesday (8/07)	Wednesday (9/07)	Thursday (10/07)	Friday (11/07)	Saturday (12/07)
08:30		Slot 1	Slot 1	Slot 1	Slot 1
09:30	Registration desks open	Break 1	Break 1	Break 1	Break 1
09:45		Slot 2	Slot 2	Slot 2	Slot 2
10:45		Break 2	Break 2	Break 2	Break 2
11:00		Slot 3	Slot 3	Slot 3	<b>Keynote</b>
12:00		Lunchbreak	Lunchbreak	Lunchbreak	
14:00		Slot 4	Slot 4	Slot 4	
15:00		Break 4	Break 4	Break 4	
15:15		Slot 5	Slot 5	Slot 5	
16:15		Break 5	Break 5	Break 5	
16:30	17:00 Welcoming	Slot 6	Slot 6	Slot 6	
17:30	<b>18:00 Keynote</b>	Break 6	Break 6	Break 6	
18:00		<b>Keynote</b>	<b>Keynote</b>	<b>Keynote</b>	
19:00	Reception				

## MEMBERSHIP AND REGISTRATION

According to our policy, a valid 2025 membership is mandatory to register for the conference. All information about the EuARe membership is available on our website.

Registration for the conference will open on November 4th, 2024. Membership applications for 2025 will open simultaneously. All Memberships carried out after this date will be considered valid for the year 2025.