

The Sixteenth Annual
International Law and Religion Symposium

**Connecting Communities
of Discourse:
How the Judiciary, Academia,
Government and International
Institutions Further the Work of
Religious Freedom**

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7.00-8.30pm

Opening Session, Room 303 JRCB

Moderator: **Gary B. Doxey**, Associate Director,
International Center for
Law and Religion Studies

Welcome: **James R. Rasband**, Dean, J.
Reuben Clark Law School, Brigham
Young University

Sandra Rogers, International Vice
President, Brigham Young University

Presentation of Distinguished Service Award
by **W. Cole Durham, Jr.**, Susa
Young Gates Professor of Law, and
Director, International Center for Law
and Religion Studies, Brigham Young
University

Speakers: **Anastasia Crickley**, Chairperson,
European Union Fundamental
Rights Agency, Head of the Department
of Applied Sciences National University
of Ireland

Pius Nikonzo Langa, Chief Justice,
South Africa Constitutional Court

8.30-9.30pm

Reception, Howard W. Hunter Law Library,
2nd Floor, J. Reuben Clark Building

8.30-10.30am

First Plenary Session: "Academia,"

Room 303 JRCB

Introduction: **James R. Rasband**, Dean,
J. Reuben Clark Law School, BYUWelcome: **Cecil O. Samuelson**, President,
Brigham Young UniversityModerator: **David M. Kirkham**Speakers: **Marie-Claire Simone**

France Ghislaine Foblets, Belgium

Paul Babie, Australia

Neville Rochow, Australia

Kofi Quashigah, Ghana

H. Knox Thames, United States

Jordan, Room 205 JRCBModerator: **Erlend D. Peterson**Speakers: **Father Butros Michel Janho**,
Jordan**Faisal Madallah Hijazin**, Jordan**Abdullah Hermiz Jajo Al-nufali**,
Iraq**Africa I: "Government Institutions
and NGOs,"** Room 208 JRCBModerator: **David Westerby**Speakers: **Musa Francis Eweru**, Uganda**James Mukasa Sebugenyi**, Uganda**Ibrahim Ismail Malik**, Zambia

10.30-10.45am

Break**Delegate Training Session I**

Room 314 JRCB

Delegate Training Session II

Room 320 JRCB

12.15-2.00pm

Lunch for Conference Delegatesand **Invited Guests**, Hinckley Alumni and
Visitors Center

10.45-12.00pm

Asia I: "Academia,"

Room 303 JRCB

Moderator: **Brett G. Scharffs**

2.00-3.45pm

Second Plenary Session: "Judiciary,"

Room 303 JRCB

Moderator: **J. Clifford Wallace**Speakers: **Peng LIU**, People's Republic of
China**Hajime TAJIKA**, Japan**Kanak Bikram Thapa**, NepalSpeakers: **Pius Nikonzo Langa**, South Africa**Aziz Mushabber Ahmadi**, India**Leoncio Patricio Pazmiño Freire**,
Ecuador**Latin America I: "Academia,"**

Room 206 JRCB

Moderator: **Scott E. Isaacson**

3.45-4.00pm

Break**Delegate Training Session III**

Room 314 JRCB

Delegate Training Session IV

Room 320 JRCB

Speakers: **Ana Maria Celis Brunet**, Chile**Hugo Leonel Ruano Chacon**,
Guatemala**Carmen Aida Dominguez Hidalgo**,
Chile

4.00-5.00pm

Asia III: "Government Institutions,"

Room 303 JRCB

Moderator: David M. Berrett

Speakers: Prakash Man Singh, Nepal
 Voravat Amornvivat, Thailand
 Dojdamba Zumberellkham,
 Mongolia
 Edison Oktoberlin Pasaribu,
 Indonesia

Latin America II: "Government

Institutions," Room 206, JRCB

Moderator: Patrick J. Thurston

Speakers: Rafael Pardo Rueda, Colombia
 Carlos Peña, Dominican Republic
 Nelson De Jesus Arroyo Perdomo,
 Dominican Republic

Russia, Room 205 JRCB

Moderator: John Young

Speakers: Anatoly A. Krasikov, Russia
 Roman Nikolaevich Lunkin, Russia

"Religious Organizations,"

Room 208 JRCB

Moderator: George Jarvis

Speakers: Lars Friedner, Sweden
 Luiz Alberto Barbosa, Brazil
 Juan Edghill, Guyana

8.30-9.45am

9.45-10.00am

10.00-10.50am

**Third Plenary Session: "Government, NGOs,
and International Institutions,"**

Room 303 JRCB

Moderator: Robert T. Smith

Speakers: John Taylor, Switzerland
 Paulo Tort Ortega, Mexico
 Taysier Mandour, Egypt

Break**Delegate Training Session V**

Room 314 JRCB

Delegate Training Session VI

Room 320 JRCB

Africa II: "Academia,"

Room 303 JRCB

Moderator: A. Keith Thompson

Speakers: Nii Josiah-Aryeh, Ghana
 Fatou Kiné Camara, Senegal

Latin America III: "Government

Institutions," Room 206 JRCB

Moderator: David Armstrong

Speakers: Juan Laureano Fabián Landaburu,
 Argentina
 Andrea De Vita, Argentina
 Hugo Brítez Ibarra, Paraguay

Ukraine, Room 205 JRCB

Moderator: Elizabeth A. Sewell

Speakers: Valerii Klymov, Ukraine
 Gennadiy Druzenko, Ukraine

10.00-10.50am

"Judiciary: Discussion,"

Room 208 JRCB

Moderator: **J. Clifford Wallace**

Speakers: **Pius Nikonzo Langa**, South Africa
Aziz Mushabber Ahmadi, India
Leoncio Patricio Pazmiño Freire, Ecuador

10.50-11.05am

Break**Delegate Training Session VII**

Room 314 JRCB

Delegate Training Session VIII

Room 320 JRCB

11.05-12.00pm

Asia IV: "Government Institutions,"

Room 303 JRCB

Moderator: **John P. (Phil) Colton**

Speakers: **Khin MIN**, Cambodia
Thuon NGUON, Cambodia
Dary UN, Cambodia
Phouangkeo LANGSY, Laos
Bounthavy PHONETHASINE, Laos

Latin America IV: "Academia,"

Room 206 JRCB

Moderator: **David A. Channer**

Speakers: **Alberto Patiño Reyes**, Mexico
Kurt Nagel von Jess, Venezuela

Europe, Room 205 JRCBModerator: **S. David Colton**

Speakers: **Mathias Rohe**, Germany
Daniel Kumermann, Czech Republic
Josep Maria Felipe i Sarda, Spain
Elisa Maria Nunez Sanchez, Spain

12.00-2.00pm

2.00-3.00pm

"Is Freedom of Religion Redundant?"

Room 208 JRCB

Moderator: **Frederick M. Gedicks**

Speakers: **Tore Lindholm**, Norway
James W. Nickel, United States
W. Cole Durham, Jr., United States

**Lunch for Conference Delegates
and Invited Guests**, Hinckley Alumni
and Visitors Center

Asia V: "Government Institutions,"

Room 303 JRCB

Moderator: **James E. Pollock**

Speakers: **Que Nguyen Thi**, Vietnam
Dang Tai TINH, Vietnam
Ha Bui Thanh, Vietnam

**Latin America V: "Government Institutions
and NGOs,"**

Room 206 JRCB

Moderator: **Gregory G. Clark**

Speakers: **Gonzalo Gonzalez Vizcaya**, Venezuela
Andre Franco Montoro Filho, Brazil
Sergio Morales, Guatemala

Central Asia, Room 205 JRCBModerator: **David H. Moore**

Speakers: **Aidar Abuov**, Kazakhstan
Irina Tsepkova, Kazakhstan

Albania, Room 208 JRCBModerator: **John A. Zackrison**

Speakers: **Rasim Hasanaj**, Albania
Brikena Kasmi, Albania

3.00-3.15pm

Break**Delegate Training Session IX**

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Delegate Training Session X

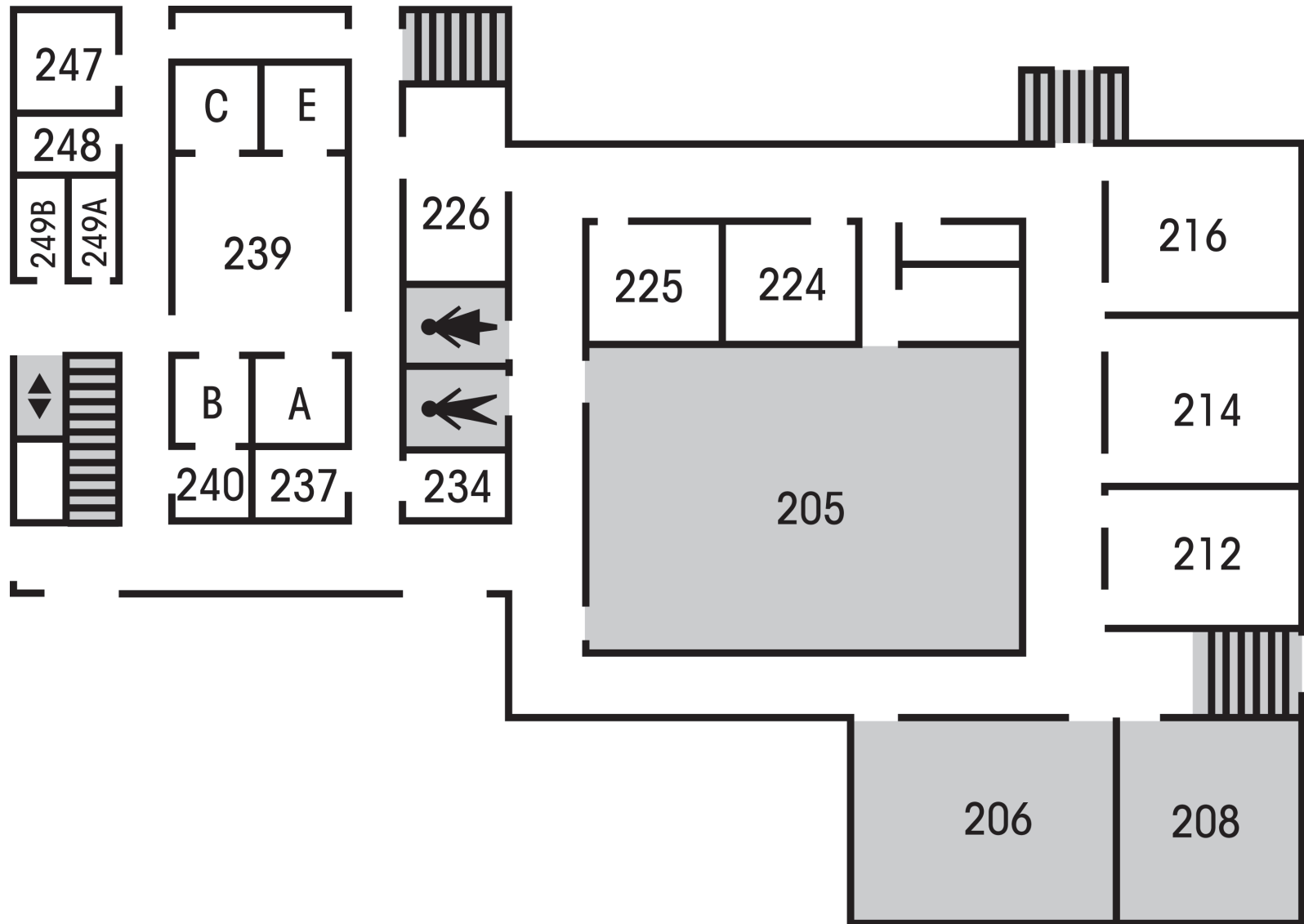
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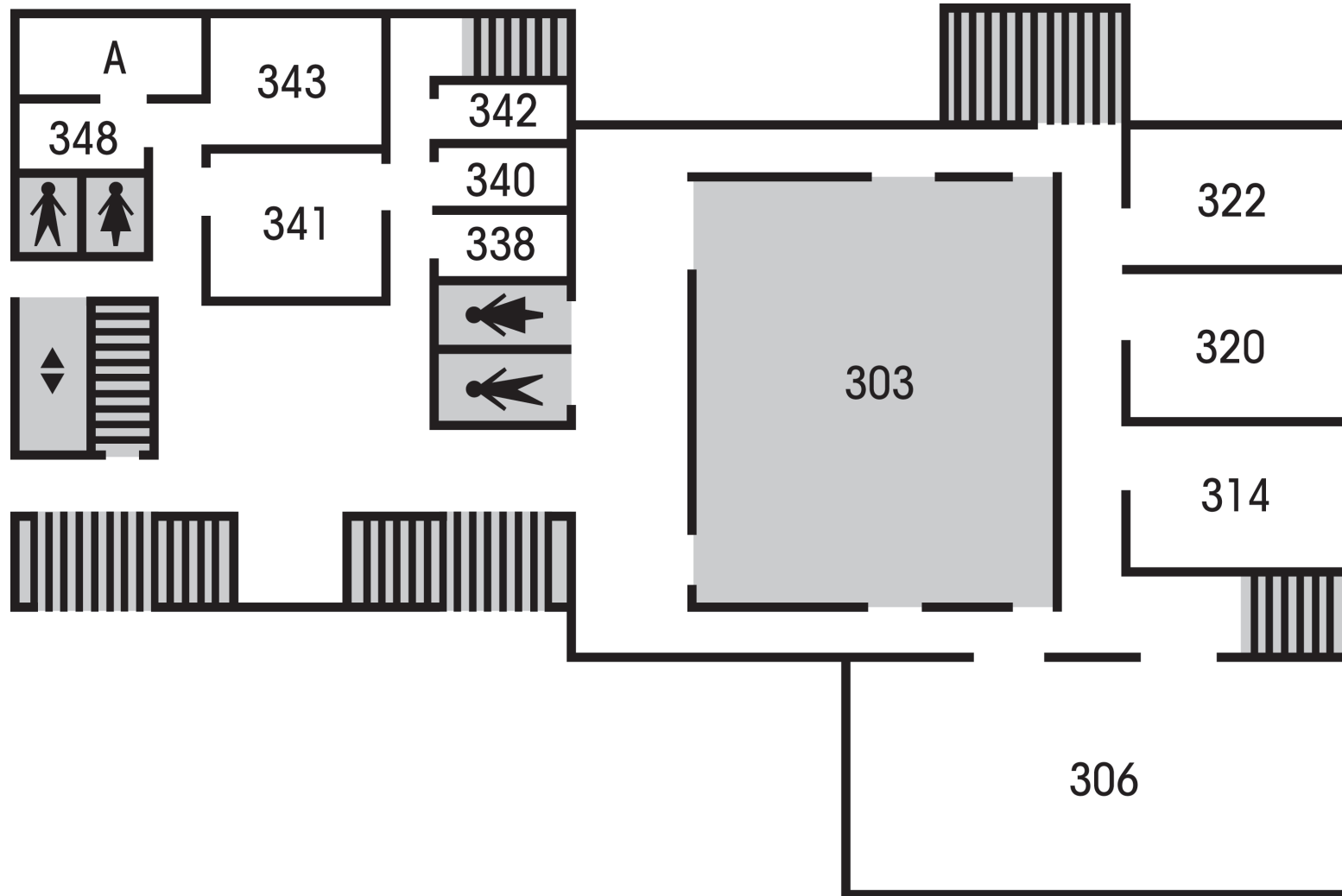
3.15-5.00pm

Fourth Plenary Session,

Room 303 JRCB

Moderator: W. Cole Durham, Jr., Director,
International Center for Law and
Religion Studies,**Michael K. Young,** President,
University of UtahConference Summation and Concluding
Reflections on Conference Themes





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