

16th February 2011 21/2011

FREE TO BELIEVE? A RELIGIOUS CONSCIENCE IN A SECULAR SOCIETY

GAUDIUM ET SPES LECTURE 2011

On Wednesday, 23rd February 2011, at 7:00 p.m., the Institute for Research on the Signs of the Times (DISCERN) is organizing a lecture at the Hotel Phoenicia, on the theme 'Free to Believe? A Religious Conscience in a Secular Society'. The guest speaker will be Professor Roger Trigg, Emeritus Professor of Philosophy, University of Warwick, and Academic Director, Centre for the Study of Religion in Public Life, Kellogg College, Oxford.



ROGER TRIGG is Emeritus Professor of Philosophy at the University of Warwick, a Senior Research Fellow in the Faculty of Theology and a member of the Faculty of Philosophy, University of Oxford. Professor Trigg is also a member of the Centre of Theological Inquiry, Princeton, New Jersey. He was the Founding President of the British Society for the Philosophy of Religion (1993-6) and President of the Mind Association (1997-8). In 2000 he chaired the Benchmarking Group in Philosophy on behalf of the Quality Assurance Agency, setting standards for British undergraduate degrees in Philosophy.

From 1997 to 2003 he chaired the National Committee for Philosophy and in 2003-4 he became the first Chair of its successor, the British Philosophical Association. He participates in work on science and religion both in the United Kingdom and internationally. Prof. Trigg is a member of the Council of the European Society for the Study of Science and Theology (ESSSAT) and is a founding member of the International Society for Science and Religion. In 2008 he was elected President of the European Society for Philosophy of Religion (2008-10).