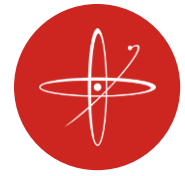


CiS UPDATE



July 2024

CiS Student Essay Competition 2024 is now OPEN – please share

Entrants should be enrolled on a course at a Higher Education institution for the academic year 2023-2024, in their first undergraduate or postgraduate course of study. Entries under any other circumstance will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

The essay must be written under one of the following titles:-

- Does Christian faith offer any answer to the planetary crisis?
- Describe the origin of man as a natural and supernatural process.
- How crucially good and bad for humanity is the advancement in science and technology today?
- Does science improve our understanding of God's eternal power and divine nature (Romans 1:20)?

Please ensure you read carefully the full list of terms and conditions – [click here to download](#). This includes details to be included, where to send your finished document, etc.

The closing date is 30th August 2024.

Upcoming CiS Events

Christians in Science - Celebrating 80 years

Two day Autumn conference 2024

***On the evening of Friday 25th and
all day Saturday 26th October***

Gas Street Central Church

41 Gas Street

Birmingham B1 2JT

Speakers:

- ***Rev Prof David Wilkinson – Keynote speaker***
- ***Nick Spencer***
- ***Hannah Waite***
- ***David Hutchins***
- ***James Ungureanu***
- ***Plus more***

We hope to have details and booking open by the end of month

Other News

URGENT - Please help ensure we keep the history of CiS!

During the Autumn conference we wish to celebrate our history. We need your help to do that.

To sit and type your memories, to sort through old photo from conferences and events or perhaps you have some old press cutting - items from 10, 20, 40 or 60+ years ago? All will be invaluable to keep. All wanted as soon as possible please.

Please email them to CiS80th@outlook.com keeping to no more than approx. 700 words per memory of a person or event. Secondly photos and press items - could we have a digital copy please?

For particulars is how to scan and other details etc please [click here](#).

Summer PreCiS II2

Just a reminder to our members that your copy of the summer PreCiS should be landing on your door mat very soon. We have a great interview with Rev Prof David Wilkinson, the Keynote speaker at our 80th Celebration conference in October.

Moving home or changing email over the summer?

Please contact Roger our membership Secretary on membership@cis.org.uk with your new details. It does make it simpler if you include your CiS membership number. This is normally on your postage label if you received printed copies of the PreCiS. The next issue will be in July. It is worth taking a note of it.

Research on Views of Religious Scientists

The following research is being undertaken by Clarissa Sharp at the University of Birmingham. She has confirmed the following call is open to both those currently working in and to those who have previously worked in scientific fields (and now retired/changed field).

My name is Dr Carissa Sharp, and I am an Assistant Professor of Psychology of Religion at the University of Birmingham. I am getting in touch to invite you to participate in a research study as part of a large-scale research project run by the University of Birmingham. In this study we are inviting people who are both religious and work in the sciences, in order to give insight into how they perceive these identities. We recognize that people's time is valuable, so we will be offering people the opportunity to enter a raffle for a £100 Amazon voucher for completing this study.

If you are interested in participating, you can click on this link to start the study: https://birminghamcoal.eu.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_8p2RvrTvmG2EEGV

Please don't hesitate to email Clarrisa with any questions you may have: c.sharp@bham.ac.uk

Other Events

Faith in Europe

UK rejoins the Horizon Europe Research framework: What does this mean for the scientific community?

18th July

14:00 to

16:00

**Hybrid -
Twickenham
and online**

Speaker: Dr Elisabetta Canetta

Faith in Europe is an educational charity that originated in concern for religious freedom in totalitarian regimes. With a faith perspective, it now focuses on political, social, and cultural issues in the European Union and the wider European continent. It holds briefing events four times a year and publishes accounts of these on its website and elsewhere. It is a Body in Association with CTBI (Churches Together in Britain and Ireland).

Free and open to all. You may attend this event in-person or online. It will be held both at St Mary's University in Twickenham and it will also be possible to join this event by Zoom.

Register here: <https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/faithineurope>

Science and Religion Forum (SRF)

Further details on all the SRF events can be found on their website – [click here](#)

Online Conference Series:-

28th-29th October: *Science, Causality and God: Divine Action in a Scientific Age*

27th-28th November: *Filling and Surrounding the World: Pan(en)theism in a Scientific Age*

Prayer Focus

- Please pray for the summer student essay competition. For members to share where they can, in their church, where they work or students they know. Pray for the students to produce and well thought through and presented essay.
- Please pray for those organising our Celebration conference in October. There are a lot of preparations currently underway.
- Please pray for the Trustees and Committee as they continue their work looking after CiS
- Please remember in prayer other organisations and individuals working in the area of science and the church



Thank you for your continued prayers and support



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