



INTERNATIONAL WORKSHOP

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RELIGIOUS MATTERS

Food and Eating in Plural Environments

This workshop is part of the research programme *Religious Matters in an Entangled World* directed by Birgit Meyer at Utrecht University.

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Religious traditions play a key role in shaping people's attitudes to food and eating and drinking practices. This entails the use of food as a medium to relate to god(s) (Eucharist, sacrifices, offerings), food restrictions and taboos, the use of food as a means to establish community, ethical stances with regard to food procurement and preparation, as well as sensations of pleasure or disgust. Wherever people who socialized in different food regimes meet, there is potential for tensions. But sharing food may also instigate (new) senses of togetherness and sociality.

The aim of this workshop is to chart the stakes involved in the conflicting co-existence of diverse religious eating and drinking practices and embodied attitudes towards food in plural societies, including Italy.

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