

## THE EUROPEAN CONSORTIUM FOR CHURCH AND STATE RESEARCH

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Since 1989 the European Consortium for Church and State Research has been committed to the advancement of research in the field of church and state relations, freedom of religion or belief, religious laws and the interaction of law and religion.

Bearing this in mind, we acknowledge and praise the contribution of the International Consortium for Law and Religion Studies. Since 2009 ICLARS has become a global point of reference in our field thanks to conferences, publications, data collection and dissemination, and networking. The 2020 sixth international conference of ICLARS will take place in Cordoba, Spain.

With one year to go before the event, scheduled on 7-9 September 2020, we welcome this opportunity for rich learning, mutual exchange and discussion. While wishing the greatest success to the local organiser, Prof. Javier Martinez Torrón, and the most fruitful results for ICLARS, we commit the Consortium to partner with ICLARS in Cordoba 2020, and beyond.

Marco Ventura, 2019 President of the European Consortium for Church and State Research