

I would like to cordially invite you to submit contributions for an English-German panel at this year's DVRW meeting in Hannover.

Religion can play a central role in processes of ecologically sustainable change. Different concepts of religion can appear here. Initially institutionalized forms such as Christian churches or Muslim associations. In this context, on the one hand, a "Greening of Religions" is postulated, a process that describes increasing environmental awareness of religious traditions (Kannagy / Willits 1993, Shibley / Wiggins 1997, Taylor 2010). On the other hand, religion can also have a braking effect on sustainable change or even contribute to environmental problems. This is the case, for example, when religious cosmologies regard a climatic apocalypse as a necessary step on the path to the divine promise. Furthermore, in the context of ecology also more diffuse concepts of religion are significant, so is the talk of "eco-spirituality" or "Dark Green Religion" (Taylor 2004, 2010.) Here is the view that nature is sacred and intrinsic Value is in the foreground.

In this panel we would like to examine the topic of religion and ecological sustainability from different perspectives and invite religious scientists to share their perspectives. How is the relationship between religion and ecology conceived, analyzed and discussed? What is the relevance of religious studies in this discussion, which extends across different areas of research? We welcome a wide range of lectures addressing this topic from an empirical as well as a theoretical perspective.

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