SSCE ANNUAL CONFERENCE

SECURITY, SURVEILLANCE AND CHRISTIAN ETHICS

6-8th September 2013, Westcott House, University of Cambridge

PROGRAMME

Friday, 6th September

2:00 – 4:00 pm	Registration	Common Room
4:00 pm	Cream Tea	Terrace / Marquee
4:30 pm	*Welcome*	
	Plenary Address: **Nigel Biggar** *'Individual Rights versus Common Security: What should Christian ethics say?'*	Cunningham Room

Nigel Biggar is Regius Professor of Moral and Pastoral Theology at Christ Church, Oxford (www.chch.ox.ac.uk/college/profile/academics/nigel-biggar) and Director of the McDonald Centre for Theology, Ethics, and Public Life (www.mcdonaldcentre.org.uk). His most recent publication is *In Defence of War*, to be published in September by Oxford University Press, and launched during this conference (see below).

6:00 pm	Evening Prayer	Chapel
6:30 pm	Book Launch with Wine Reception	Marquee / Common Room

Each year we like to celebrate the publication of SSCE members' books. This year, join us for the launch of Esther Reed's *Theology for International Law* (T&T Clark) and Nigel Biggar's *In Defence of War* (OUP), with a wine reception jointly sponsored by T&T Clark and Oxford University Press.

7:00 pm	Dinner	Dining Hall
8:00 pm	Plenary Address: **David Lyon** *'Surveillance and the eye of God'*	Cunningham Room

David Lyon is Director of the Surveillance Studies Centre and Professor of Sociology at Queen's University in Canada. Best known for his analyses of contemporary surveillance, he has also worked in the areas of religion, new technologies and social theory. His current work explores histories and cultures of surveillance, including the use of drones, identification systems and social media. Lyon's most recent book is co-authored with Zygmunt Bauman, *Liquid Surveillance* (2013), and he is working with his research team on a volume entitled *Transparent Lives: Surveillance in Canada* (2014).

9:30 pm	*Bar open*	House Bar

Saturday, 7th September

7:30 am	Breakfast *Note: Breakfast is served until 8:45 am.*	Dining Hall
8:15 am	Morning Prayer	Chapel
9:00 am	Plenary Address: **Eric Stoddart** *'(In)visibility Before Privacy?'*	Cunningham Room

Eric Stoddart teaches Practical Theology at the University of St Andrews where he is also Associate Director of the Centre for the Study of Religion and Politics. Eric published *Theological Perspectives on a Surveillance Society: Watching and Being Watched* in 2011 where he began to expound his model of (in)visibility. He is a contributor to the *Routledge Handbook of Surveillance Studies* and continues to write on ethical issues around communications metadata and data-gathering in general.

10:15 am	Coffee	Terrace / Marquee
10:45 am	Short Papers: Session I	*Various locations*

- Yutake Osakabe — Cunningham Room
  Restorative Justice in a Christian Context: the Christian Moral Vision of Howard Zehr's Changing Lenses
- David Lea — Knight Room
  'Is the Modern Surveillance state a justified response to a "State of Exception"?'
- Nick Townsend — Lambert Room
  'Surveillance and Seeing: A New Way of Reading Mark 12:17, "Tender to Caesar…"'

11.45 am	Short Papers: Session II	*Various locations*

- Richard Bowen — Cunningham Room
  'Peace Engineering'
- Kevin McNish — Knight Room
  'Just Surveillance? The Ethics of Surveillance Practices'

1:00 pm	Lunch	Dining Hall

- Free time for exploring Cambridge
- SSCE Committee Meeting, 1:30 – 3:00 pm (Lambert Room)

3:30 pm	Afternoon Tea & Cake	Terrace / Marquee
4:00 pm	Annual General Meeting	Cunningham Room
5:00 pm	Evening Prayer	Chapel

5:30 pm **Eric Gregory** Cunningham Room
'What Do We Want from the Just War Tradition? New Challenges of the Security State'

Eric Gregory is Professor of Religion at Princeton University. He is the author of *Politics & The Order of Love: An Augustinian Ethic of Democratic Citizenship* (Chicago 2008), and essays in ethics, political theory, and theology. Among his current projects is a book tentatively titled, *What Do We Owe Strangers? Globalization and the Good Samaritan*, which examines secular and religious perspectives on global justice. In 2007, he was awarded Princeton's President's Award for Distinguished Teaching.

7:30 pm Drinks Terrace / Marquee

8:00 pm Dinner Dining Hall

9:30 pm *Bar open* Westcott House Bar

Sunday, 8th September

7:45 am Breakfast Dining Hall
Note: Breakfast is served until 9:00 am.

8:30 am Eucharist Chapel

9:30 am Short Papers: Session III *Various locations*

- Steve Slade — Cunningham Room
  'The delivery arm of a secular state: when mission and ministry collide'
- Rob Heimburger — Knight Room
  'A Theological Critique of Sovereignty over Immigration in Federal United States Law'
- Brian Williams — Lambert Room
  'Achilles or Augustine: Preparation for the Breakdown of Safety and Security'

10:30 am Coffee Terrace

11:00 am Plenary Address: **Esther Reed** Cunningham Room
'Peace Ethics in an Age of Risk'

Esther Reed is Associate Professor in Theological Ethics and Director of the Network for Religion in Public Life, University of Exeter. She is author of *Theology for International Law* (2013), *Work for God's Sake* (2010) and *The Ethics of Human Rights* (2007). She is currently working on a systematic theology of law and a Bible Society project on narrative ethics in the teaching of RE.

1:00 pm Lunch (departure after lunch) Dining Hall