



Research Project
Footprints. Young People:
Expectations, Ideals, Beliefs



Sociological Research on Youth Religiosity

Methodologies, Challenges, and New Research Perspectives

24 July 2025

9.00 Aim of the meeting

Norberto González Gaitano, Pontificia Università della Santa Croce (Rome)

**9.20 Surveys in sociological research on religious issues:
advantages and limits**

Mark Regnerus, University of Texas at Austin

**10.15 Expanding how we measure religion and spirituality
cross-nationally – results from a 36-country study**

Jonathan Evans, Senior Researcher at Pew Research Center (Washington)

11.15 Coffee Break

**11.45 How to improve big data analysis to be more helpful for religious sociological
research?**

John Olukuru, Strathmore University (Nairobi)

12.45 Lunch

**14.30 La esperienza della ricerca qualitativa sui giovani in Italia
(The experience of Italian qualitative research with young people)**

Rita Bichi, Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore (Milan)

15.30 From religion to worldview? The study of what and how does what matter?

Daniel Moulin, University of Cambridge (UK)

16.30 Summary conclusions

D. José María Díaz Dorronsoro, Pontificia Università della Santa Croce (Rome)

17.00 Closing words

Gema Bellido, Pontificia Università della Santa Croce (Rome)



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