



Exploring Leibniz's Religion and Philosophy of Religion: Essays in Honour of Maria Rosa Antognazza (1964–2023)

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A number of detailed studies published over the last three decades or so, such as those of Adams (1994), Antognazza (2007), Backus (2016), and Rateau (2019), have sparked great interest in the place of religion in Leibniz's thought. The proposed Special Issue of Religions seeks to further these investigations with a suite of high-quality essays focusing on any aspects of Leibniz's religion and philosophy of religion. With the greater availability of Leibniz's writings on religious matters, both in their original language (see Leibniz 1923–, especially recent volumes in series I, II, IV, and VI) and in English translation (see Sleight 2005, Strickland 2016), there is now the scope to deepen our understanding of the role played by religion in Leibniz's thought.

The range of potential topics is vast, including (but by no means limited to) theodicy, optimism, Church unification, the Catholic Demonstrations project, arguments for the existence of God, biblical criticism, engagement with non-Christian religions, as well as his thoughts on many Christian doctrines, such as the Trinity, Incarnation, purgatory, and resurrection of the dead.





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