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PREFACE

This volume contains the proceedings of the XXXIst Annual Meeting of the European Consortium for Church and State Research, held in Luxembourg on 14–16 November 2019, on the topic "Taxation, Religions and Philosophical and Non-Confessional Organisations in Europe".

The conference was divided into six working sessions:

- Income Tax of Religious Organisations and for Philosophical and Non-Confessional Organisations
- II. Real Estate Tax of Religious Organisations and for Philosophical and Non-Confessional Organisations
- III. Taxation of Monastic Communities /Orders
- IV. Taxation of Religious Social Institutions and for Philosophical and Non-Confessional Organisations (charity; educational, etc.)
- V. Taxation of Religious Ministers and for Leaders of Philosophical and Non-Confessional Organisations
- VI. Church and Philosophical and Non-Confessional Organisations Taxes.

Each session was introduced by a paper, giving a comparative pan-European analysis, and suggesting themes for group discussion.

The purpose of the meeting was to analyse the legal framework regulating the tax system applied to religions and philosophical organisations in European countries, showing the criteria followed by European states under the prism of the principles of non-discrimination and neutrality.

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