

**Dr Rebecca Catto**  
**Curriculum Vitae**

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**RESEARCH INTERESTS**

Interfaith and intercultural dialogue, science and religion, secularity and nonreligion, young people's religious and political participation, equalities legislation and religious literacy, global Christianity and mission, faith-based organisations, religion and belief in Europe

**EDUCATION**

- June 2009 – January 2010 Lancaster University Certificate for Academic Practice
- September 2004 – September 2008 University of Exeter  
PhD Sociology  
Thesis: *From the Rest to the West: Exploring reversal in Christian mission in twenty-first century Britain*
- January – June 2007 University of Uppsala  
Guest doctoral student at the Centre for the Study of Religion and Society
- September 2002 – September 2003 King's College London  
MA Anthropology and Sociology of Religion, Distinction
- October 1999 – July 2002 Lady Margaret Hall, University of Oxford  
BA (Hons) Theology, Upper Second Class

**RELEVANT EMPLOYMENT**

- From August 2016 onwards Kent State University  
Assistant Professor, Sociology
- January – July 2016 Newman University  
Research Fellow, Centre for Science, Knowledge and Belief in Society (part-time)
- March 2013 – December 2015 (maternity leave April 2015 – December 2015) Coventry University  
Research Fellow, Centre for Trust, Peace and Social Relations
- March 2009 – March 2013 Lancaster University  
Research Associate, AHRC/ESRC Religion and Society Programme
- October 2008 – March 2009 University of Westminster  
Visiting Lecturer, Sociology (part-time)
- October 2008 – February 2009 London School of Economics  
Assistant Research Officer, INFORM (part-time)

**FUNDING APPLICATIONS AND AWARDS**

- May 2018 Co-Investigator, 'Approaches to Religious Education, and Impact on Social Cohesion and Conceptions of Citizenship', (with Dalhousie University, University of Victoria, and Manchester University), Canadian Social Science and Humanities Research Council Connections Grant Application submitted (unsuccessful)

- May 2018 Co-Principal Investigator ‘Science and Religion, Exploring the Spectrum: A Global Perspective (SRES 2)’ (with Newman University, York University, Toronto, and the University of Kent) (project total: £1,708,397)
- November 2017 Kent State University Department of Sociology Mini Grant ‘Researching Race and Religion in the US Sociologically’ to bring Professor Korie Edwards (Ohio State University) to KSU for a workshop and talk (project total: \$400)
- October 2016 Co-Principal Investigator (with Dr Stephen Jones, Newman University) ‘Good without God: Unbelief and Moral Orientations in the UK and USA’ project Letter of Inquiry submitted to John Templeton Foundation Understanding Unbelief programme (unsuccessful)
- October 2016 Kent State University academic year research/creative activity appointment Fall 2017 application submitted (unsuccessful)
- October 2014 – November 2017 Co-Investigator (0.2 FTE) leading qualitative strand for large-scale research project ‘Clash Narratives in Context: Uncovering the Contemporary Drivers of Science vs. Religion Debates’ in partnership with York University, Toronto, funded by the Templeton Religion Trust (project total: £1.9 million)
- May 2014 Coventry University International Travel Grant to visit Australia (£2080)
- September 2013 – April 2014 Pump-prime funding awarded by Coventry University’s Faculty of Business, Environment and Society for project [‘Interfaith Dialogue in Coventry- Retrospective and Prospective’](#) (£2516)
- January 2011 – April 2012 Principal Investigator on project ‘The Young Atheists: investigating secularism amongst young Britons today’, Research Associate Janet Eccles, funded by the Jacobs Foundation (project total: £24,000)
- January 2007 Erasmus Grant from the European Commission to study in Sweden for six months (£1500)
- July 2005 Research Grant from the Reid Trust for the Higher Education of Women (£300)
- September 2004 Doctoral Scholarship, School of Humanities and Social Sciences, University of Exeter (fees paid and £6000 maintenance p.a. for 3 years)
- October 2003 Shelford Prize for the Study of Religion, King’s College London (£125)

## PUBLICATIONS

### *Edited Volumes*

1. Jones, S. J., Kaden, T., and Catto. R. in press *Science, Belief and Society: International Perspectives on Religion, Non-Religion and the Public Understanding of Science*. Bristol University/Policy Press: <https://policy.bristoluniversitypress.co.uk/science-belief-and-society>
2. Woodhead, L. and Catto, R. (eds) 2012 *Religion and Change in Modern Britain*. Abingdon; New York: Routledge. Click [here](#), [here](#), and [here](#) for reviews

### Peer Reviewed Journal Articles

1. Jones, S., Kaden, T. , Elsdon-Baker, F. and Catto, R. 2018 [“That is how Muslims are required to view the world”: race, culture and belief in non-Muslims’ descriptions of Islam and science](#), *The Sociological Review*, online first
2. Kaden, T. Elsdon-Baker, F., Jones, S., and Catto, R. 2017 [‘Knowledge as Explanandum: Disentangling Lay and Professional Perspectives on Science and Religion’](#), *Studies in Religion*, online first
3. Catto, R., Davie, G. and Perfect, D. 2015 [‘State and Religion in Great Britain: Constitutional Foundations, Religious Minorities, the Law and Education’](#), *Insight Turkey* vol. 17, no 1, 79-96
4. Eccles, J. and Catto, R. 2015 [‘Forms of ‘apostasy’: older and younger British women compared’](#), *Secularism and Nonreligion* (online 27 May)
5. Catto, R. 2014 [‘What can we say about today’s British religious young person?’](#) Findings from the AHRC/ESRC Religion and Society Programme’, *Religion*, vol. 44, no 1, 1-27
6. Catto, R. and Eccles, J. 2013 [‘\(Dis\)Believing and Belonging: Investigating the Narratives of Young British Atheists’](#), *Temenos* vol. 49, no 1, 38-63
7. Catto, R. 2013 [‘Accurate Diagnosis? Exploring Convergence and Divergence in Non-Western Missionary and Sociological Master Narratives of Christian Decline in Western Europe’](#), *Transformation*, vol. 30, no, 1, 31-45

### Chapters

1. Catto, R. in press [‘Science as a Secular Workplace: dynamics of reflection, contestation, and acceptance in the life sciences in Canada and the UK’](#) in *Science and Religion: Exploring the Spectrum*, ed. by F. Elsdon-Baker and B. Lightman. University of Pittsburgh Press.
2. Catto, R. 2017 [‘Interfaith Dialogue and the Challenge of Indifference: Reflections from Fieldwork in the City of Peace and Reconciliation’](#) in *Religious Indifference: New Perspectives from Studies on Secularization and Nonreligion* ed. by J. Quack and C. Schuh, Switzerland: Springer, 65-82
3. Catto, R. 2017 [‘Islam in Europe and the Amman Message: Overview, Challenges and Potentials’](#) in *Muslim Identity in a Turbulent Age: Islamic Extremism and Western Islamophobia*, ed. by M. Hardy, F. Mughal and S. Markiewicz. London: Jessica Kingsley Publishers, 64-97. *Winner of the Independent Publishers’ ‘Current Affairs’ Bronze Medal 2017.*
4. Eccles, J. and Catto, R. 2017 [‘The significance of sacred secular space in the formation of British atheist identities’](#) in *Materiality and the Study of Religion: The Stuff of the Sacred*, ed. by T. Hutchings and J. McKenzie. London and New York: Routledge, 151-166
5. Davie, G., Woodhead, L. and R. Catto. 2016 [‘Secularization, Secularism and the Secular’](#) in *Religions in the Modern World*, 3rd edition, ed. by C. Partridge, H. Kawanami and L. Woodhead. London; New York: Routledge, 551-570
6. Catto, R. 2015 [‘Sociology of Religion in Great Britain: Interdisciplinarity and Gradual Diversification’](#) in *Sociologies of Religion: National Traditions*, ed. by A. Blasi and G. Giordan. Leiden: Brill, 107-131

7. Catto, R. 2015 '[Section 3: Trends, Foreword](#)' in *Modernities, Memory and Mutations: Grace Davie and the Study of Religion*, ed. by A. Day and M. Lovheim. Aldershot: Ashgate, 143-145
8. Catto, R. and Perfect, D. 2015 '[Religious Literacy, Equality and Human Rights](#)' in *Religious Literacy in Policy and Practice* ed. by A. Dinham and M. Francis, 135-163. Bristol: Policy Press
9. Catto, R. 2012 '[From Colonial Sending to Postcolonial Partnership and Reception](#): the Church Mission Society and Reverse Mission' in *Religions on the Move: New Dynamics of Religious Expansion in a Globalizing World* ed. by A. Adogame and S. Shankar, 81-97. Leiden, Brill
10. Catto, R. 2012 '[Bracketing out The Truth?](#) Managing Bias in the Study of New Religious Movements' in *Religion and Knowledge* ed. by M. Guest and E. Arweck, 269-286. Farnham; Burlington, VT: Ashgate
11. Catto, R. 2012 '[Reverse Mission](#): from the Global South to Mainline Churches (the work)' in *Church Growth in Britain: 1980 to the Present* ed. by D. Goodhew, 91-105. Aldershot: Ashgate
12. Catto, R. 2012 '[United Kingdom](#)' in *The Encyclopedia of Global Religion and Society, Vol. 2* edited by M. Juergensmeyer and W. Clark Roof, 1321-1326. Los Angeles: SAGE
13. Martin, D. with Catto, R. 2012 '[The religious and the secular](#)' in *Religion and Modern Change in Modern Britain* ed. by L. Woodhead and R. Catto, 373-390. Abingdon; New York: Routledge
14. Catto, R. and Woodhead, L. 2011 '[Religion](#)' in *Introduction to European Studies: Concepts in the Context of Globalisation* ed. by S. Krossa, 103-115. Basingstoke: Palgrave Macmillan
15. Sandberg, R. and Catto, R. 2010 '[Law and Sociology](#): Toward a Greater Understanding of Religion' in *Law and Religion: New Horizons* ed. by R. Sandberg and N. Doe, 275-298. Leuven; Paris; Walpole, MA: Peeters
16. Catto, R. and Davie, G. 2008 '[İngiltere](#)' (Great Britain) in *Avrupa Birliği Ülkelerinde Din-Devlet İlişkisi* (State and Religion in Europe) ed. by A. Köse and T. Küçükcan, 151-174. Istanbul: ISAM
17. Catto, R. 2008 '[Has mission been reversed?](#) Reflections on sociological research with non-western Christian missionaries in England' in *Migration and Mission* ed. by S. Spencer, 109-118. Sheffield: Cliff College Publishing

#### *Policy Report*

1. Woodhead, L. with Catto, R. 2009 '[Religion or belief: Identifying issues and priorities](#)', *Equality and Human Rights Commission Research report 48*. Manchester: Equality and Human Rights Commission

#### *Book Reviews*

1. Catto, R. in press '[Secular beats Spiritual: The Westernization of the Easternization of the West. By Steve Bruce](#)', *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion*
2. Catto, R. 2018 '[The Religious Lives of Older Laywomen: The Last Active Anglican Generation, by ABBY DAY.](#)', *Sociology of Religion*, vol. 79, no 1, 139-140

3. Catto, R. 2016 '[James D. G. Dunn \(ed.\), Fundamentalisms: Threats and Ideologies in the Modern World](#) (London, New York: I. B. Tauris, 2016)', *Theology*, vol. 119, no 5, 368-369.
4. Catto, R. 2016 '[Madge, Nicola, Hemming, Peter J., Stenson, Kevin with Nick Allum, Melania Calestani, Anthony Goodman, Katherine King, Sarah Kingston and Colin Webster, Youth on Religion: The development, negotiation and impact of faith and non-faith identity](#)', *Sociology*, vol. 50, no 2, 422-423
5. Catto, R. 2014 '[Book Review Symposium: Bruno Latour \(translated by Julie Rose\), Rejoicing: Or the Torments of Religious Speech](#)', *Sociology*, vol. 48, no 2, 403-404
6. Catto, R. 2013 '[G. D. Chryssides, Christianity Today](#). London and New York: Continuum International Publishing Group, 2010.', *Modern Believing*, vol. 54, no 1, 76-77
7. Catto, R. 2012 '[Gordon Lynch, The Sacred in the Modern World: A Cultural Sociological Approach](#), Oxford University Press: Oxford, 2012', *Theology*, vol. 115, no 6, 461-461
8. Catto, R. 2011 '[Book Review: POSSAMAI](#), Adam. 2009. Sociology of Religion for Generations X and Y', *Fieldwork in Religion*, vol. 6, no 1, 89-90
9. Catto, R. 2010 '[Book Review: Adam Dinham, Robert Furbey and Vivien Lowndes \(eds\) Faith in the Public Realm](#): Controversies, Policies and Practices', *Sociology*, vol. 44, no 6, 1213-1215 (now quoted on the book's product page on Policy Press' website)
10. Catto, R. 2010a '[Review of 'Coming Out of the "Iron Cage": The Indigenists of the Society of the Divine Word in Paraguay, 1910-2000](#)' Darius J. Piwowarczyk, 2008', *Journal of Contemporary Religion*, vol. 25, no 2, 329-330
11. Catto, R. 2008 '[Review of Religion in an Expanding Europe](#) edited by T. A. Byrnes and P. J. Katzenstein', *Journal of International Migration and Integration*, vol. 9, no 3, 339-340

## TEACHING AND LEARNING

### *Undergraduate*

- Spring Semester 2018 Upper division course 'Sociology of Religion' taught to 18 students, Kent State University
- Fall Semester 2018 Lower division course 'Social Problems' taught to 35 students, Kent State University
- Summer 2017 Mentoring Raishel Farrier as part of KSU's Explore, Research, and Learn through Inquiry (ERLI) Scholars Program
- Spring Semester 2017 Upper division course 'Sociology of Religion' taught to 19 students including one senior guest, Kent State University
- Fall Semester 2016 Lower division course 'Social Problems' taught to 45 students, Kent State University
- October 2013 Guest lecture 'Beyond Secularisation? Empirical Research and Change in British Sociology of Religion' for Sociology undergraduates, Coventry University
- March 2013 Guest lecturing on 'Religion and the Market' on undergraduate module 'Religion and Society', Lancaster University

- January – May 2010 Creation of multiple choice questions on *Religions in the Modern World (2<sup>nd</sup> edition)* (30 per chapter) for Florida State University's Religious Studies department, commissioned by Routledge
- November 2009 Guest lecturing on religion and globalization on undergraduate module 'Sociology of Religion', Lancaster University
- October 2004 – June 2008 University of Exeter  
Graduate Teaching Assistant, Sociology and Philosophy
- June 2007 and 2008 Invitation and expenses to attend Teaching Religion in multicultural European Society network (TRES) meetings, Cluj and Nijmegen

### *Graduate*

- October 2018 Invited guest lecture 'Secularism, Postsecularism, and its Discontents' presented at Princeton Theological Seminary for 'Religion in the Public Sphere' graduate seminar, honorarium received
- Spring Semester 2018 Advisor for Sociology graduate student Brittany Watts' research hours working on race, gender, and mental health, and invited to become member of Masters' thesis committee
- Co-chair of TJ Snyder's Master's committee, thesis 'Towards a Deeper Understanding: How the Experiences of Muslims in America Contribute to Their Rejection of Evolution' successfully defended February 2018, chair of Snyder's doctoral dissertation committee
- February 2015 External Examiner for M.Phil., University of Birmingham
- September 2014 – March 2015 2<sup>nd</sup> PhD Supervisor for Glen Moran (Contemporary Muslim perceptions of the relationship between science and religion) and 3<sup>rd</sup> PhD Supervisor for Emmanuel Gore (Peace and justice in South Sudan), Centre for Trust, Peace and Social Relations, Coventry University
- August 2014 Lecture 'Youth and Religion in Britain' to Jordanian visiting students, Coventry University
- October 2011 Invitation to present 'The Dark Continent': Missionary Evaluations of Christianity in Contemporary Europe' as part of King's College London's Religion and Social Sciences seminar series for graduate students
- June 2008, 2009, and March 2011 Invitation to teach graduate students on law and sociology on religion, LLM Canon Law Weekend, Cardiff
- November 2010 Invitation and honorarium to lecture to doctoral students on globalization and religion for the Norwegian School of Mission and Theology

### PRESENTATIONS

#### *Peer Reviewed*

- August 2018 Paper 'The Sociology of Anglophone Cis White Religion' presented at the Association for the Sociology of Religion annual meeting, Philadelphia
- July 2018 Paper 'Constitutional Principles, religion in schools, and social cohesion within multicultural, multifaith states: England and Canada

- compared' presented at the British Sociological Association Sociology of Religion Study Group Annual Conference, University of Strathclyde
- August 2017 Panel 'Perceptions of Conflict between Evolutionary Science and Religion in the Contemporary West' convened, including colleagues from the UK and Germany, and paper 'Constructing the Religious Other: non-religious Canadians and Britons narratives of the science and religion conflict thesis' presented at the Association for the Sociology of Religion Annual Conference, Montréal
  - July 2017 Paper 'Evolution and Marginal Religion: boundary work in the life sciences and its implications for the sociological study of science and religion' presented at the British Sociological Association Sociology of Religion Study Group Annual Conference, University of Leeds
  - October 2016 Paper 'A qualitative, sociological approach to science and religion in contemporary Britain' presented at Scientific Study of Religion and Religious Research Association Annual Meeting, Atlanta
  - July 2016 Paper 'Encountering the secular' presented at 'A Postsecular Age? New Narratives of Religion, Science, and Society', Ian Ramsey Centre conference, University of Oxford
  - November 2014 Selected and funded to attend workshop 'Religious Indifference', draft chapter 'Interfaith Dialogue and the Challenge of Indifference: Reflections from Fieldwork in the City of Peace and Reconciliation' for ensuing edited volume published by Springer presented, Goethe University, Frankfurt am Main
  - July 2014 Paper 'A Crisis of the British Secular? Sociological reflection upon law, moderation, and daily life' presented at British Sociological Association Sociology of Religion Study Group annual conference, University of Sussex
  - June 2014 Paper 'Attempting to Globalize Peace and Unity- An Examination of Religiously-Informed Contributions to Dialogue' as part of panel 'A Godless World or a Globalized God? The Role of Religion in World Politics and Inter-societal Relations' at the Global Studies Association Annual Conference, York St John
  - May 2014 Paper 'Investigating the Value and Significance of Interfaith Dialogue in Context: A Case Study from Coventry' at 'Paths to Dialogue in our Age' conference, Australian Catholic University, Melbourne
  - March 2014 Paper 'Evangelizing the 'dark continent': investigating postcolonial Christian missions to Europe' presented as part of panel 'Europe as a mission field', Council for European Studies' 21st International Conference, Washington D.C.
  - January 2014 Paper 'Protecting a 'lack of belief'? Non-Religious Identities in domestic equality and human rights legislation' presented as part of panel 'Representing Non-Religion', 'Religion, Law and Democracy' conference, London Metropolitan University
  - June 2013 Paper 'Lack of Faith and the British University Experience' presented with Janet Eccles as part of panel 'Faith and the University Experience', International Society for the Sociology of Religion Conference, Turku

- July 2012 Paper ‘The secular, the non-religious and the sacred: developing a framework for analysis’ presented at the Non-Religion and Secularity Research Network Conference, Goldsmiths, University of London
- March 2012 Paper with Janet Eccles ‘Countercultural or mainstream? Some reflections from the Young Atheists Project’ presented at British Sociological Association Sociology of Religion Study Group Annual Conference, Chester
- September 2011 Paper ‘Investigating Young People in Britain’s Active Non-Religious Identities’ presented as part of ‘Non-religiosity, Identity and Ritual’ panel at the European Association for the Study of Religion Annual Conference, Budapest
- April 2011 Paper with Janet Eccles ‘The Young Atheists: a Contribution to the Ir/Religion Debate’ at the British Sociological Association Sociology of Religion Study Group Annual Conference, Birmingham
- April 2011 Paper ‘The Religious and the Secular in Britain’ presented at the British Sociological Association Annual Conference, London School of Economics
- July 2010 Paper ‘Religion, Global, Flows and the Contact Zone- theoretical development?’ presented at International Sociological Association 17<sup>th</sup> World Congress of Sociology, Göteborg
- April 2010 Paper presented as part of panel on ‘Migration and Mission’ at the British Sociological Association Sociology of Religion Study Group Annual Conference, Edinburgh
- October 2009 Paper with Linda Woodhead ‘Religion and Society in the United Kingdom’ presented at the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion Annual Meeting, Denver
- April 2009 Paper ‘Religion in Global Society? Theoretical developments in the relationship between globalization and religion.’ presented at the British Sociological Association Annual Conference, Cardiff
- April 2009 Paper ‘Bracketing out the TRUTH? Managing bias in the study of New Religious Movements’ presented at the British Sociological Association Sociology of Religion Study Group Annual Conference, Durham (published in conference volume)
- March 2009 paper ‘Could you be part of the solution? Investigating the Welfare Work of Non-Western Christian Missionaries in Britain’ presented at ‘Welfare and Values in Europe’ conference, University of Uppsala
- July 2008 Paper ‘From the Rest to the West’: conceptualizing ‘reverse mission’ in Britain as a contact zone’ presented at and bursary awarded to attend AHRC/ESRC Identities and Social Action, Religion and Society and Diasporas, Migration and Identities research programmes joint conference, University of Oxford
- April 2008 Paper ‘Globalization and Mission: Reflections from research with non-western Christian missionaries in Britain’ presented at and bursary awarded to attend British Sociological Association Sociology of Religion Study Group Annual Conference, Birmingham



- July 2007 Paper 'Globalisation and contemporary Christian mission' presented at International Society for the Sociology of Religion Conference, Leipzig
- July 2007 Paper 'Has Mission Been Reversed? Reflections on Sociological Research with Non-Western Christian Missionaries in England' presented at British and Irish Association for Mission Studies Annual Conference, University of Cambridge (published in conference volume)
- April 2007 Paper 'Religion in migration: exploring the management of the liminal identity of missionaries' presented at and bursary awarded to attend British Sociological Association Annual Conference, London
- July 2006 Research Committee 22 plenary co-presented with Grace Davie and paper on doctoral research presented at International Sociological Association's 16<sup>th</sup> World Congress of Sociology, Durban
- April 2006 Paper on doctoral research presented at and bursary awarded to attend British Sociological Association Sociology of Religion Study Group Annual Conference, University of Manchester

#### *Invited*

- July 2017 Paper 'Evolution and marginal religion: boundary work in the life sciences'<sup>\*\*</sup> presented and part of plenary panel discussion at 'New Perspectives on Science and Religion in Society' SRES project final conference, Manchester University
- May 2016 Paper 'Encountering the secular in contemporary Britain' presented at, keynote Prof. John H. Evans introduced at, and co-organiser of 'Public Perceptions of Science and Religion', University of California, San Diego
- July 2015 Invited to present paper 'Forever 'Other'? The Ebbs and Flows of British Sociology of Religion'<sup>\*</sup> as part of panel 'Reflexive Sociology of Religion: Lessons from its History' at British Sociological Association Sociology of Religion Study Group Annual Conference, Hertfordshire
- February 2015 Invited paper 'Sociology, Interfaith, and the Other' and expenses for seminar 'Religion: Sociology's Other?', University of Warwick
- October 2014 Invitation and expenses to present 'Forever 'Other'? The Ebbs and Flows of British Sociology of Religion'<sup>\*</sup>, Religion and Society Seminar Series, Theology and Religious Studies, Durham University
- May 2014 Keynote delivered at 'Space, Religion and Social Relations' workshop, Centre for Muslim and Non-Muslim Understanding, University of Southern Australia, Adelaide
- November 2013 Visiting Fellow Seminar 'Is Interfaith Dialogue Interplay or Introspection?' delivered with Stephen Shashoua (3FF) and Fern Elsdon-Baker (Coventry University), Faiths and Civil Society Unit, Goldsmiths

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<sup>\*</sup>Papers with the same title presented in preparation for 2015 book chapter 'Sociology of Religion in Great Britain: Interdisciplinarity and Gradual Diversification'.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Papers with the same main title presented in preparation for monograph chapter.

- August 2013 Selected and funded to attend the Jacobs Foundation's Young Scholars Meeting on Innovation in the Field of Child and Youth Development, Marbach
- July 2013 Invited and funded to attend University of Warwick Institute of Advanced Study Summer School 'Contesting Expertise in the Post-Secular Age', short paper on research in Baku presented
- May 2013 Invitation and expenses to present paper 'Research on Religion and Public Policy' at 'The Humanities and Lived Religion' research network workshop, Liverpool (paper published on website)
- April 2013 Invitation and expenses to present on young people and religion in Western Europe at European Commission-sponsored event 'Cultural Identity', Szeged (paper published in proceedings)
- August 2012 Invited participation at a bilingual workshop on 'glocal religious mobilisation' for academics and practitioners, funded by Durham University, São Paulo
- June 2012 Invitation and expenses to present 'Mutually Constitutive? An examination of the relationship between religion, globalization and politics, with particular reference to the Worldwide Anglican Communion' alongside Professor Jeff Haynes, Department of Politics, History and International Relations' Religion and Politics seminar, Loughborough
- June 2012 Invitation and expenses to present paper 'So, yeah, university - a lot of opportunity to debate people about religion": Forming and Expressing Non-Religious Beliefs in Higher Education' at workshop 'Religion and Belief in Higher Education' at the University of Derby
- March 2012 Invitation and expenses to take part in panel 'Generational difference in the experience of church: parallels between Western and Eastern Christianity' at the Centre for Russian, Soviet, Central and Eastern European Studies' Annual Conference 'Orthodox Ecclesiology and Modernity', St Andrews
- March 2012 Invitation and expenses to present with Janet Eccles 'Faith in Family, Friends, Freedom, Facts and the Future: belief and young atheists in contemporary Britain' at the British Council symposium 'What does it mean to believe?', Kent
- September 2011 Invitation and expenses to present 'Missionary Evaluations of Christianity and Secularity' at the Institute of European History's 'Europe as Other: External Perspectives of European Christianity' conference, Mainz
- September 2011 Invited to present paper with Janet Eccles 'A Sociological Investigation of Young People in Britain's Active Non-Religious Identities' at 'Atheism and Anthropology: Researching Atheism and Self-searching Belief and Experience' Workshop, University College London
- July 2011 Invited to present with Janet Eccles 'The Young Atheists' at 'FaithxChange: Faith, Young People & Higher Education', Goldsmiths, University of London
- February 2011 Invitation and expenses to present 'Globalization – descriptor or driver of religious change?' as part of the Faith and Globalisation seminar series, Durham University

- June 2010 Invitation and expenses to present 'The Locality and Globality of Young People's Religious Lives' at 'Transnational Cultures in Europe' workshop, University of Siegen
- April 2010 One of ten young international scholars selected and expenses paid to attend and poster on Youth and Religion presented at 'The Role of Values and Religion in Youth Development: A Culture-Informed Perspective', the Jacobs Foundation annual conference, Marbach
- November 2009 Invitation and expenses to chair a session and give plenary feedback at the Vitae Research Staff Conference, London
- June 2009 Invitation and expenses to attend 'Religion and Values in Central and Eastern Europe' European Commission Framework 6 network workshop, paper with given title 'New Ethnic Minorities in Great Britain and Religious Clashes' presented, Warsaw
- October 2008 Invitation and expenses to act as rapporteur presenting 'Observations and provocations' at British and Irish Association for Mission Studies Day Conference, Birmingham
- December 2006 Invitation and expenses to present with Grace Davie 'Great Britain' at Symposium on State and Religion in Europe, Istanbul (paper published in Turkish in conference proceedings)

#### DISCIPLINARY SERVICE

- May 2018 Member of advisory board for 3-year project 'Investigating the Non-Religious Mainstream: A Challenge to Narratives of Science and Secularisation?', Principal Investigator: Amy Unsworth, University of Kent, funded by the Templeton Religion Trust
- September 2017 Invitation and funding to contribute to workshop 'The Social Scientific Study of Science and Religion: A Convening', Rice University, including writing memo on white paper written by convenors Elaine Howard Ecklund and John H. Evans
- Since September 2011, co-editor with Linda Woodhead of the Ashgate AHRC/ESRC Religion and Society book series involving liaison with prospective authors and Ashgate (now an imprint of Routledge) and review of proposals and manuscripts
- Reviews undertaken for *Acta Sociologica*, *Cultural Sociology*, Economic and Social Research Council, *Entangled Religions*, De Gruyter, *The Feminist Review*, *Geographical Review*, *International Social Work*, *Journal of Beliefs and Values*, *Modern Believing*, *Open Theology*, *Sociology*, *Qualitative Research in Psychology*, *Religion*, *Religions*, *Secularism and Nonreligion*, Routledge, *Sociology of Religion*, Wiley Blackwell, and *Women's Studies International Forum*
- Mentor to early career researcher via the British Sociological Association Sociology of Religion Study Group Mentoring Scheme for women, which I helped set up in my role as Convenor (see below)

#### PUBLIC SOCIOLOGY

- February 2018 Invited blog piece '[Sous les pavés, la plage!](#)' for the Social Science Research Council's Immanent Frame site and cross-posted to the University of Birmingham's Centre for the Public Understanding of Religion blog

- April 2017 Invited blog piece '[Science and religion conflict for non-religious Britons and Canadians](#)' posted on the Nonreligion and Secularity Research Network website and cross-posted to the SRES project and University of Birmingham's Centre for the Public Understanding of Religion blogs
- November 2014 – April 2015 Specialist Advisor on Centre for Trust Peace and Social Relations' Evaluation of Near Neighbours for the UK Department for Communities and Local Government
- August 2014 – April 2015 Advisor on Centre for Trust, Peace and Social Relations' evaluation of Creative English Programme for UK charity FaithAction
- July 2014 Member of judging panel for Coventry Community Cohesion Awards
- June 2014 Invited to deliver 'Lunch and Learn' session on 'Interfaith Dialogue in Coventry' project for interfaith charity 3FF, London
- May 2014 Invited to attend meeting for the Prime Minister's Commission on the Holocaust, London
- March 2014 Feedback workshop for participants and local community on draft report from 'Interfaith Dialogue in Coventry' project, Spirituality and Faith Centre, Coventry University
- December 2013 Invitation and expenses to present at think tank Public Policy Exchange's Symposium 'Community Cohesion and Social Inclusion: Strengthening Partnership between Local Authorities and Voluntary and Faith Groups', London
- November 2013 Invitation and expenses to contribute to Thinking Futures Festival Public Spirit panel 'Faith and governance: why local context matters', Bristol
- May 2013 – May 2014 Part of the research and evaluation team for the Baku World Forum on Intercultural Dialogue, working with the Azeri Ministry of Culture and Tourism
- February 2013 Invitation and expenses to be 'Thought-provoker: the real religious landscape' for the Equality and Human Rights Commission, Religious Literacy Leadership in Higher Education project and Co-Exist Foundation Dialogue I: Religion and Belief in the Public Sphere, London (paper subsequently posted on project website)
- Co-organiser with Linda Woodhead, Charles Clarke (former UK Home Secretary and Secretary of State for Education) and think tank Theos of the 'Westminster Faith Debates' February – May 2012 in Westminster.
- Catto, R. 2012 '[Researching Youth, Religion and Society in Modern Britain](#)', *REsource: Journal of the National Association of Teachers of Religious Education*, vol. 35, no 1, 4-6.
- April 2012 Organised a workshop on 'non-religious identities in policy and practice' at Senate House, London, co-funded by the Jacobs Foundation and Religion Society Programme, bringing together people from civil society, the media and academia and written up on *The Guardian* newspaper website. Online report available [here](#)

- March 2011 Invitation and fee to lecture to Christians in Partnership about 'Religion and Equality' as part of their Lenten lecture series, Clitheroe
- March 2009 – February 2010 Work on 'Religion or belief' consultation for the Equality and Human Rights Commission (EHRC)
- June 2009 Invitation and expenses to attend and act as reflector for Edinburgh 2010's Commission VII: Christian Communities in Contemporary Contexts' international conference, Edinburgh

#### *Media Engagement*

- December 2016 Quoted in newspaper article 'Au Royaume-Uni, Noël fait débat', Tristan de Bourbon, *La Croix*, Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup>
- April 2015 Interviewed for BBC Coventry & Warwickshire's 'The Paul Franks Show' about UK government minister Michael Gove's *Spectator* piece 'In defence of Christianity'
- August 2014 Interviewed for documentary 'Google: How to kill God'
- January 2014 Interview about the Sunday Assembly for French Catholic daily newspaper *La Croix*
- September 2013 Interview for Coventry Talking Newspaper about local interfaith event
- November 2012 Interviewed by students for Lancaster University student radio for Inter Faith Week on Faith Interviews and Debates
- August 2012 Interviewed for Danish newspaper *Kristeligt Dagblad* about new WIN Gallup international survey on religiousness. See the article [here](#)
- July 2012 cited in Ruth Gledhill's write up in *The Times* of the final Westminster Faith Debate with Tony Blair and Rowan Williams
- February 2012 Interviewed about atheism in the UK for the BBC World Service's Voice of Russia
- April 2011 Commissioned to write with Janet Eccles [a piece](#) for *The Guardian Online Comment is Free Belief* on young people and atheism garnering over 300 comments
- April 2011 Acknowledged second in credits with Linda Woodhead on BBC One programme 'Does Christianity have a future?' for extensive help to BBC Religion and Ethics in research for it
- February 2011 Interviewed on BBC Radio Lancashire's 'Faith' programme about young people and atheism

#### *Online Conference Reports*

1. Catto, R. 2011 '[Young, British and Muslim](#): Academic Research and Real Lives', report of 22 November 2011 one-day conference, Manchester Town Hall
2. Catto, R. 2011a '[Young People and Religion Event](#)', report of 18 May 2011 one-day conference, King's College London
3. Catto, R. 2010 '[Innovative Methods in the Study of Religion](#)', report of conference 30 March, Dexter House, London

4. Catto, R. 2010a '[Child Abuse in the Catholic Church – what can be learned?](#)' write up of closed event at Heythrop College London 4 November 2010

#### PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP

- Network for the Social Scientific Study of Science and Religion (N4SR), since 2017: <http://n4sr.blogs.rice.edu/members/#RebeccaCatto>
- Association for the Sociology of Religion, since 2017
- [Honorary Research Fellow](#), School of Philosophy, Theology and Religion, University of Birmingham, since April 2016
- American Sociological Association, including Religion section, 2016 - 2017
- Convenor, British Sociological Association Sociology of Religion Study Group, April 2013 – July 2016
- Fellow of the Royal Society for encouragement of Arts, Manufactures and Commerce 2015 – 2016
- Visiting Fellow, Faiths and Civil Society Unit, Goldsmiths, University of London, since 2012: <https://www.gold.ac.uk/faithsunit/who-we-are/>
- Fellow of the UK Higher Education Academy, since October 2010
- [Associate of the Cardiff Centre for the Study of Law and Religion](#), since 2008
- British and Irish Association for Mission Studies, since 2004