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This RELIGION and DECOLONIZATION workshop, held alternately between the University of Fribourg and KU Leuven, is organized by the research group THE GLOBAL PONTIFICATE OF PIUS XII: CATHOLICISM IN A DIVIDED WORLD (1945-1958). The objective of this second edition is to intersect religious and political perspectives on decolonization. Two recent books focusing on French decolonization in Africa will be presented by their authors, facilitating a dialogue on the politico-religious dimension of this global process.

10:00-10:15 WELCOME & COFFEE

10:15-10:30 Prof. Siegfried Weichlein (Univ. de Fribourg) and Prof. Kim Christiaens (KU Leuven)
Project and Workshop Introduction

10:30-11:30 Aurel Dewarrat, PhD Student (Univ. de Fribourg)
The Catholic Church and Decolonization in Cameroon: Politico-religious perspectives

11:30-13:00 LUNCH

13:00-14:00 Prof. Nicolas Bancel (Univ. de Lausanne)

14:15-15:15 Prof. Marialuisa Lucia Sergio (Univ. Roma Tre)
Presentation of HOW THE CHURCH UNDER PIUS XII ADDRESSED DECOLONIZATION: THE ISSUE OF ALGERIAN INDEPENDENCE

15:30-16:30 Sam Kuijken, PhD Student (KU Leuven)
«La Chiesa e lo Stato Belga siano due cose veramente distinte»: Church-State relations and Decolonization in Belgian Congo

16:30-17:00 CONCLUSION & DISCUSSION

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