**Projet: RelEP**

The purpose of this international research programme is to investigate the beliefs of the members of the European Parliament (MEPs) and what they do with these beliefs. Research questions include: Are European elites more secularized than everyday EU citizens? What effects does religion have on the political socialisation of MEPs (cross-party structures, religious lobbies) and, conversely, what is the EP’s influence on religion? How do religion, coalition- and decision-making interact at the European level?