## WHAT IS ATTRACTING PEOPLE FROM ISLAM TO CHRISTIANITY?

## LECTURE BY DR. DUANE MILLER AT ÅRHUS UNIVERSITY

## **TIME AND VENUE**

Thursday 16. November, 2017 11.00—13.00, Nobelparken Jens Chr. Skour Vej 4, 8000 Århus Building 1481 room no. 239

## REGISTRATION

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In Denmark we have seen hundreds of converts from Islam to Christianity in recent years. In 2016 alone, it is estimated that at least 500 asylum seekers and refugees were baptized or started in pre-baptismal classes in Danish churches. The majority were Persians from Iran or Afghanistan, but there have also been people with Arabic, Kurdish, and other backgrounds.

The public debate in Denmark about this phenomenon has tended to focus primarily on issues of immigration policies, not least because apostasy from Islam is illegal in some countries and thus may influence and reinforce an asylum claim. This lecture will seek to broaden the perspective and address the question of motivations and factors that lead people to convert from Islam to Christianity.

Duane Miller received his PhD in Divinity (focus on World Christianity) from the University of Edinburgh. He is the author of *Living among the Breakage: Contextual Theology-making and ex-Muslim Christians, Arab Evangelicals in Israel*, and the forthcoming book, *Two Stories of Everything: The Competing Metanarratives of Islam and Christianity*. He is a lecturer and researcher at large for Muslim-Christian relations through the Christian Institute of Islamic Studies and serves as deacon at the Anglican Cathedral Church of the Redeemer in Madrid. He lives in Madrid with Sharon and their three children, David (13), Amelia (10), and Samantha (6). He is an authority on the history of Protestant missions in the Middle East and religious conversion from Islam to Christianity. His articles and chapters can be found in the publications of Oxford Press, Cambridge Press, Thomas Nelson, and Brill, among others.





