

Effects of the 21 Trends and the Prospects

This part sketches the many effects of the 21 trends. Among these effects are the double direction toward both a retro- and post-religion; a divided community of scholars with regard to the future of religion in re-globalization; the question whether religion will become more explicit or implicit in the coming years; the rising importance of narratives, numbers and demography; the impact of switching and migration; and the dispute between culturalization and de-culturalization of religion in open societies.