## Reading the Gospels in Islamic Context Centre for Muslim-Christian Studies, Oxford 7<sup>th</sup> - 9<sup>th</sup> September 2020 CALL FOR PAPERS

A three-day conference will hear papers around the theme of interpretation of the New Testament gospels in Islamic contexts. Selected papers will be edited for publication as a volume in the 'Routledge Reading the Bible in Islamic Context' series.

'Routledge Reading the Bible in Islamic Context' is a ground-breaking series edited by Ida Glaser and Shabbir Akhtar, the first volume of which, <u>'Routledge Reading the Bible in Islamic Context: Qur'anic</u> <u>conversations'</u> arose out of a conference in September 2015. The series focusses on the interpretation of the Bible and of particular biblical books and themes either from an Islamic perspective or from the perspective of Bible readers situated in, or otherwise 'in conversation with,' Islamic contexts. Since the Qur'an is present in all Islamic contexts, intertextual reading between the Qur'an and the Bible is an important feature of the series.

For this conference, we invite papers which explore different aspects of how the canonical gospels have been, are, and can be interpreted in Islamic contexts. Themes might include:

- Muslim references to the gospels in classical literature
- How the gospels are interpreted in current Muslim-Christian dialogue and debate
- Questions relating to translation of the gospels in Muslim majority languages
- Fresh readings of the gospels 'in conversation with' the Qur'an and other Islamic literature
- The use of the gospels by Christian minorities in their relationships with Muslims in particular contexts
- Responses of Muslim readers to the gospels

Abstracts should be submitted to Georgina Jardim at g.jardim@cmcsoxford.org.uk by June 1<sup>st</sup> 2020.

The conference will be hosted at St Stephen's House Oxford, a permanent private hall in the University of Oxford. The Centre for Muslim-Christian Studies is located on site.