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# Being with water OTHERWISE

sacred knowledge and  
sustainable water–human relations

**15 & 16 APRIL, 2024 | 10:00-16:30 BST**  
**Faculty of Divinity, West Road, Cambridge**

Can diverse religious philosophies  
and practices offer lessons for  
sustainable water use?

Join us to explore a transformative  
perspective as we grapple with pressing  
issues of water management and its impact  
on ecosystems, economies and societies.

How can sacred knowledge inform  
water regulation, challenge existing  
legal frameworks, and raise public  
awareness about water scarcity?

**KEYNOTE | Divine Alternatives:**  
water beings and their transformational  
potential in human-non-human relations  
**Professor Veronica Strang FAcSS**



Veronica is a cultural anthropologist whose work is concerned with human-environmental relations, in particular societies' engagements with water. She has worked at the Pitt Rivers Museum and Oxford University's Environmental Change Unit, served as the Chair of the Association of Social Anthropologists of the UK and the Commonwealth, and was awarded an international water prize by UNESCO in 2007. Her latest book is *Water Beings: From nature worship to the environmental crisis* (Reaktion Books, 2023).

More information



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Water efficiency in faith and diverse communities.  
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