

## SECULARIZATION: OPPORTUNITY, OPTION OR CHALLENGE FOR MULTI-RELIGIOUS SOCIETY

### Summary

*The paper gives an overview of approach to secularization theories from the Catholic, Orthodox and Islamic viewpoint. The emphasis is especially put on explaining phenomenon of secularization as a possible solution for coexistence in centuries long “multi” areas such as Bosnia and Herzegovina. The overview of different theories and sources of secularization is also given starting from the Middle Ages to modern period when that process has started to be followed. The paper also offers a short explanation of the term secularization, its actualization and realization from the Catholic, Orthodox and Islamic standpoint as well as its possible acceptability for multi-religious societies.*

**Key words:** *secularization, secularism, Catholicism, Orthodoxy, Islam*