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From the author supplied abstract: This article considers recent debates and conflicts between the Holy See and secular voices at the United Nations with regard to sexual and reproductive health and rights, and the language of gender. While recognising that Pope Francis has ushered in a more conciliatory and open approach to such issues, deep

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Author supplied abstract: This essay aims to review mainstream literature and research perspectives on the sociology of human rights with the further focus on relationship between human rights and religion. We consider the challenges of late engagement of sociology with human rights and current narratives of the relationship of human rights and religion that encompass normativity as the central category of historically oriented

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Hogan is vice provost / chief academic officer and a professor of ecumenics at Trinity College Dublin.

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Fidèle Ingiyimbere is from Burundi but did his graduate work in philosophy and theology at Centre Sèvres, the Université Catholique d’Afrique Centrale-Institut Catholique de Yaoundé-Cameroun, Hekima University College in Nairobi-Kenya and MA, STL and a PhD degrees from Boston College. His research covers areas of phenomenology and political-social questions, with special attention to the African context.

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White is a retired United Methodist bishop and the chairman of the Episcopal Initiatives Committee which developed *In Defense of Creation.*

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