Figure 2.3. The Church as a property-owning organization 1750-1780 30% Share of 25% Church in total property 20% (all assets) (18th c.) 15% Share of non-profit institutions in total property (21th c.) 10% 5% 0% U.S. 2010 **Spain 1750 France 1780 France 2010 Japan 2010**

Interpretation. Around 1750-1780, the Church owned between 25% and 30% of total property in Spain and close to 25% in France (all assets combined: land, real estate, financial assets, including capitalisation of church tithes). By comparison, in 2010, the set of all non-profit institutions (including religious organizations, universities, museums, foundations, etc.) owned less than 1% of total property in France, 6% in the United States and 3% in Japan. Sources and series: see piketty.pse.ens.fr/ideology.