Islam, Secularism and Security in Central Asia and Beyond

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The purpose of the dialogue is to undertake a debate about the relationship between Islam and secularism with respect to security in Muslim-majority regions. In particular, drawing on colleagues at the University of Exeter, George Washington University (GWU), Communities Engaging with Difference and Religion (CEDAR) and colleagues from government, civil society and other academic institutions, we will consider a variety of contexts including those of Central Asia, North Africa, the Middle East, South Asia and South-East Asia. Our countries of focus include Kazakhstan, Tajikistan, Uzbekistan, Egypt, Turkey, Pakistan and Indonesia.

9:00am Arrival & Coffee
9:15am Roundtable: The Myth of Post-Soviet Muslim Radicalization in Central Asia
CHAIR: David Lewis, University of Exeter
PRESENTERS:
David Montgomery, CEDAR
John Heathershaw, University of Exeter
RESPONDENTS:
Marlene Laruelle, GWU
Noah Tucker, Registan.net/GWU
Michael Hall, Open Society Foundation
11:00am Coffee & Close

Thursday, April 21, 2015
9:00 am – 11:00 am
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