The Power of the Faithful Genocide and Religion

This lecture will address the under-studied nexuses between genocide and religion. Although rarely the motivating factor in mass atrocities, religion has played a significant role in both fomenting and stymieing genocidal violence. Despite this, there has been little focused research on or practical steps toward engaging religion in genocide prevention. This is beginning to change, and through an examination of recent initiatives and reports, particularly the United Nations Plan of Action for Religious Leaders and Actors to Prevent Violence that Could Lead to Atrocity Crimes, the lecture will explore the promises and challenges of enlisting religious actors in mass atrocity prevention.

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