



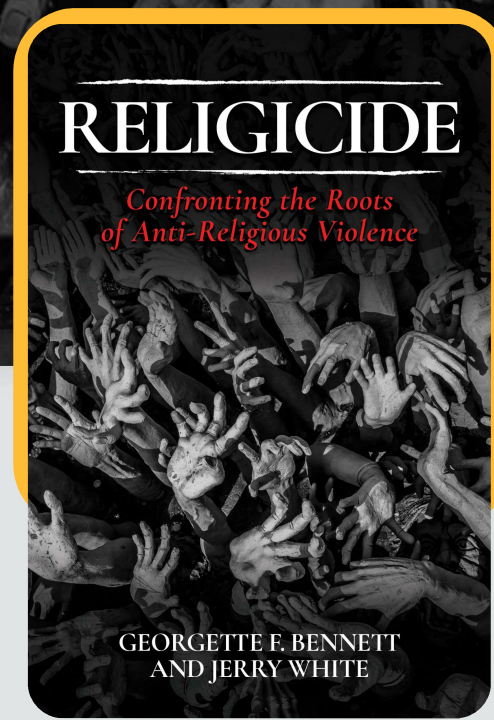
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# Religicide

confronting the  
roots of anti-  
religious violence



THURSDAY 15 JUNE, 2023 | 17:00 BST  
Faculty of Divinity, West Road, Cambridge

Religion-related violence is the fastest spreading type of violence worldwide. Attacks on religious minorities follow a clear pattern and are preceded with early warning signs. Until now, such violence had no name, let alone a set of policies designed to identify and prevent it.

**Religicide: confronting the roots of anti-religious violence** (Post Hill Press, 2022) is a unique attempt to create a new moral and legal category alongside other forms of persecution and mass murder. The book explores the roots of atrocities such as the Armenian Genocide, the Holocaust, and the Bosnian war, illustrating the definition of religicide with in-depth case studies of contemporary violence affecting Uyghurs and Tibetan Buddhists in China, Rohingya in Myanmar, Yazidis in Iraq, and indigenous peoples.

Hear **Religicide** co-author, sociologist Dr Georgette F. Bennett, in conversation with CIP Academic Director Professor Esra Özyürek.



Georgette Bennett

Dr Georgette Bennett is an award-winning sociologist, widely published author, popular lecturer, and former broadcast journalist. A longstanding friend to the Cambridge Interfaith Programme, she is founder of the Tanenbaum Center for Interreligious Understanding (1992-), the Multifaith Alliance for Syrian Refugees (2013-), and a co-founder of Global Covenant Partners. She has served on the U.S. State Department's Religion and Foreign Policy Working Group, tasked with developing recommendations to engage religious actors in conflict mitigation. A former faculty member of the City University of New York and adjunct at New York University, in 2021 Bennett was selected as one of Forbes' 50 over 50 Women of Impact.



Esra Özyürek

Professor Esra Özyürek is an anthropologist of politics and religion. Based in the Faculty of Divinity at the University of Cambridge, she is the academic director of the Cambridge Interfaith Programme and Sultan Qaboos Professor of Abrahamic Faiths and Shared Values.

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