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## **“IMPACT OF EMERGING DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY AND SOCIAL MEDIA ON MUSLIM COMMUNITIES”**

**Friday, September 14, 2018**

**Cosponsored By:**

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City University of New York (CUNY), New York, NY



**Luncheon Keynote Address**

[The Graduate Center, CUNY: 9th Floor (Rooms 9205/6/7)  
365 Fifth Avenue, New York NY 10016]

**Speaker: Professor Jon W. Anderson**

[Professor Emeritus of Anthropology  
The Catholic University of America, Washington, DC]

### **“Impact of Emerging Digital Technology and Social Media in the Middle East”**

Prof. Anderson has conducted research on tribalism in Afghanistan, Islamic cosmology in Pakistan, Catholics in the Bible Belt South and more recently on the information revolution in the Middle East, where he has studied internet pioneering in Jordan, Egypt, Syria, Saudi Arabia and Qatar. His current research interests are civil society, cyber-culture and globalization in the Internet Age.

**Four Panel Sessions Examine:**

- Islam and the Digital Revolution
- Varieties of Religious Expression
- Religious Authority and Social Media
- Social and Political Mobilization

**Conference Venue:**

[The Graduate Center, City University of New York]  
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Time: 8:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

**Program Chair:**

Anna Ayşe Akasoy, The Graduate Center and Hunter College - CUNY

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