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# HUMAN RIGHTS AND RELIGIOUS NATIONALISM IN THE MIDDLE EAST AND THE UNITED STATES

**March 25, 2021**

**12:00-1:00 PM**

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## **PANEL FEATURING:**

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Religious nationalism is a political phenomenon in which political leaders, or influential population groups, impose an ideology of shared religious commitment and interpretation on the population of a country. Generally, supporters of religious nationalism view the government of a country as affiliated with a particular interpretation of a specific religious tradition. Often leaders seek to enforce adherence to particular religious ideals or practices, or to subdue or expel religious minorities. Religious nationalism has been on the rise in many countries around the world over the last several decades. In part as a response to the Capitol riots of January 6, this Human Rights Forum will discuss religious nationalism in the Middle East and in the United States and its implications for human rights in those regions and across the globe.

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