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The Alliance Program, the Heyman Center for the Humanities, the
Institute for Culture, Religion, and Public Life and the Middle East Institute present:

Olivier Roy

(Sciences Po)

HOLY IGNORANCE: THE AGE OF RELIGION WITHOUT CULTURE

Moderated by Ghassan Salamé (Columbia/Sciences Po)



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Thursday, April 16th

12:30pm-2:00pm

Room 1118, IAB

Light lunch will be served

Olivier Roy is a world-renowned scholar of Persian language and civilization. A Professor of Political Science at Sciences Po, he is a distinguished specialist in Afghanistan, Iran, former Soviet Central Asia, and the Middle East. He has written extensively on both the political processes within these countries as well as Muslims and Islam living outside of the Middle East and Persia. Professor Roy is the author of several acclaimed books on these topics, including the widely-known *The Failure of Political Islam*. During 2008-09, Professor Roy is a Visiting Professor at the University of California, Berkeley, Department of Political Science.

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