## Pluralism Project @ 25:

## Diversity and Inclusion in the American Crucible

Harvard University, September 21-23, 2016















## Over the course of twenty-five years, the questions posed by religious diversity and interfaith engagement have become even more salient.

To mark our 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary, the Pluralism Project will bring together scholars and practitioners who are shaping the conversation about religious diversity and interfaith engagement— both for today and for tomorrow. This interdisciplinary conference explores the many dilemmas and decisions we face as individuals, professionals, and citizens in an increasingly diverse world. This conference is free to attend, but registration is required.

For more information, please visit www.pluralism.org.

	Wednesday, September 21	
Fi	sher Family Commons, CGIS Knafel North Building, 1737 Cambridge St., Cambridge, MA	
6:00-7:30 pm	Harvard: From Diversity to Pluralism	CGIS Lobby
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	Halah Ahmad, Vimal Konduri, Olumakinde Ogunnaike, and Emma Woo,	
	current Harvard University undergraduates	
	Thursday, September 22	
All events will to	ake place in Andover Hall or Rockefeller Hall, Harvard Divinity School, 45 Francis Ave., Ca	ambridge, MA
9:00-10:00 am	Registration and Light Breakfast	Braun Room
10:00-10:30 am	Opening Remarks	Sperry Room
	Diana Eck and Rakesh Khurana, Harvard University	
10:30 am-12:00 pm	Panel 1: Challenges of Diversity and Inclusion	Sperry Room
	Moderator: <b>Diana Eck</b> , Harvard University	
	Zaheer Ali, Brooklyn Historical Society	
	Chloe Breyer, Interfaith Center of New York	
	Nancy Khalil, Muslim Defense League	
	Harpreet Singh, Harvard University and the Sikh Coalition	
12:00-1:30 pm	Keynote Lunch Dialogue	Braun Room
	(co-sponsored with the El Hibri Foundation)	
	Imam Khalid Latif and Rabbi Yehuda Sarna, New York University	
1:30-3:00 pm	Panel 2: The Campus Crucible	Sperry Room
	Moderator: Anurima Bhargava, Institute of Politics, Harvard University	
	Reverend Greg McGonigle, Tufts University	
	Janet Penn, Youth LEAD and CIRCLE	
	Brendan Randall, Interfaith Youth Core	
	Neelima Shukla-Bhatt, Wellesley College	

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2.00.4.45		Constant Program	
3:00-4:45 pm	Panel 3: Pluralism and the Practice of Peacebuilding	Sperry Room	
	Welcome: <b>David Hempton</b> , Harvard Divinity School		
	Moderator: Liz Lee Hood, Harvard Divinity School		
	Patrice Brodeur, KAICIID and University of Montreal		
	Melissa Nozell, US Institute of Peace		
	Kathryn Lohre, Evangelical Lutheran Church in America		
	Preeta Bansal, MIT Media Lab and Social Emergence Corporation		
5:00-6:00 pm	Vegetarian Dinner	Rock Café	
	(co-sponsored with the Global Institute for Sikh Studies, New York)		
6:00-8:30 pm	Speaking the Sikh Experience: Visible Difference in the Crucible of Change	Sperry Room	
	(co-sponsored with the Religions and the Practice of Peace Colloquium)		
	Valarie Kaur, filmmaker, civil rights lawyer, Sikh activist, and interfaith leader		
	Sarbpreet Singh, playwright, poet, and founder and director of the Gurmat Sangeet		
	Project		
8:30-9:00 pm	Reception	Andover Lobby	
	Friday, September 23 <sup>rd</sup>		
All events will take place in Andover Hall, Harvard Divinity School, 45 Francis Ave., Cambridge, MA			
8:30-9:00 am	Light Breakfast	Braun Room	
9:00-11:00 am	El Hibri Foundation Panel on Islamophobia in the Age of Interfaith	Sperry Room	
	Introduction: Ali Asani, Harvard University		
	Moderator: <b>Diana Eck</b> , Harvard University		
	Parvez Ahmed, University of North Florida		
	Imam Hassan Selim, Islamic Center of Cedar Rapids, Iowa		
	Taymullah Abdur-Rahman, Harvard University		
	Celene Ibrahim, Boston Islamic Seminary, CIRCLE, and Tufts University		
11:00 am-12:15 pm	Concluding Dialogue and Discussion	Sperry Room	

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We are grateful for the support from foundations and individuals which has enabled the Pluralism Project to thrive for the past 25 years. We hope you will consider making a contribution to help support our ongoing research and initiatives.

## For more information and to register:

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