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Invitation

Islamism, the Genealogy of the Blasphemy Laws and the Praetorian State in Pakistan

Lecture by **Prof. Sadia Abbas**

Monday, 18 June 2012, 6:15 pm
Otto-Suhr-Institute of Political Science
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The lecture will trace the genealogy of what have come to be known as the Blasphemy Laws in Pakistan to arguments about the security of Islam in pre-Independence South Asia. It will show how these arguments have refracted themselves in the institutions and discourses of the Pakistani State and play themselves out in some of the current confrontations around religion in present-day Pakistan.

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