

Beyond Dialogue?

INTERFAITH ENGAGEMENT IN DELHI, DOHA AND LONDON

RESEARCH SEMINAR

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ABSTRACT

From its beginnings in the late 19th century in the West, the interfaith movement has evolved into a sustained, yet splintered, global effort that has recently begun to attract mainstream attention. Religious leaders, scholars, grassroots activists and governments around the world today find themselves turning to interfaith dialogue and collective action to address the challenges posed, and explore the opportunities presented, by religious diversity in a globalising world. Once a field of dialogue-centred practice anchored in theology, the field of interfaith has evolved into a concerted effort to mobilise religious resources to respond to social and political issues—locally, nationally and internationally. This research seminar presents the findings of a three-year Qatar National Research Fund (QNRF) research project that looks at interfaith engagement Delhi, Doha and London. The focus is a comparative assessment of how the now global interfaith movement has emerged and developed across these diverse case studies.