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Invite you and your colleagues to a presentation by

FARAH PANDITH

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U.S. State Department
Washington D.C.

Muslim Engagement in the 21st Century

Followed by an Interfaith discussion

Friday, 10th December @ 11.00am-1.00pm

Venue: U.S. Embassy, 29 Fitzherbert Tce, Thorndon

Please arrive at the front gate by 10.40am to clear security for an 11.00am start

Farah Pandith was appointed Special Representative to Muslim Communities in June 2009. Her office is responsible for executing Secretary Clinton's vision for engagement with Muslims around the world on a people-to-people and organizational level. She reports directly to the Secretary of State. An American Muslim born in India who immigrated with her mother to Massachusetts on July 4, 1969, Ms Pandith has been Senior Advisor to the Assistant Secretary of State for European and Eurasian Affairs at the U.S. Department of State where she was responsible for engaging with Muslim communities in Europe. From 2004 to 2007 Ms Pandith worked at the National Security Council at the White House covering a portfolio that included "Muslim engagement," countering violent extremism, and The Broader Middle East North Africa Initiative. She has also worked at the United States Agency for International Development (USAID); and in Afghanistan.

Farah Pandith received her Master's in Law & Diplomacy (M.A.L.D.) in 1995 from The Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy at Tufts University. Her areas of concentration were International Security Studies, Islamic Civilizations & Southwest Asia, and International Negotiation & Conflict Resolution. She wrote her Master's thesis on the insurgency in Kashmir, India. She is also a graduate of Smith College.

See also: [Full Biography](#)

BOOKING FOR PRESENTATION

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