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You are cordially invited to a discussion with a lecture by

PROFESSOR YOHANAN FRIEDMANN

Dār al-Islām and Dār al-Ḥarb in Modern Indian Muslim Thought

The lecture will take place on 16 April 2025 at 3:00 p.m. at Hall 111

Sofia University St. Kliment Ohridski, Center for Oriental Languages and Cultures
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THE LECTURE will survey and analyze the various views concerning the legal status of India from the *sharʿī* point of view, mainly during the modern period. It will show that India was a fertile ground for deliberations which resulted in some novel interpretations of major concepts in Muslim political thought.

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Yohanan Friedmann's field of research is Islamic thought – mainly in the Indian subcontinent but also in the Middle East. In addition to articles in scholarly journals and professional encyclopedias, as well as several edited volumes, his books include: *Prophecy continuous. Aspects of Aḥmadī religious thought and its mediaeval background*. Berkeley and Los Angeles: University of California Press, 1989; *Tolerance and coercion in Islam. Interfaith relations in the Muslim tradition*. Cambridge, 2003; and *Messianic ideas and movements in Sunnī Islam*. London: Oneworld Publications 2022.

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