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Faith and Secularization: From National Religions to Religious Nationalisms

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This Special Issue aims to focus on the relationship between the role that national identity—or nationalistic sentiment—plays in the history and practice of the world's religions and the emergence of what an increasing number of scholars refer to these days as "religious nationalism(s)".

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