

Special Issue

Voices from the 'Periphery of Islam': Discourses of Authenticity, Rooting and Community-Building

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- Anthropology and social sciences;
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- Any other area related to the topic of this Special Issue.

We look forward to receiving your contributions.

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