

## Special Issue

# New Religious Movements in Historical and Political Contexts: Interactions, Conflicts, and Identities

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The field of New Religions Studies has grown over the past fifty years into a vibrant, multidisciplinary field. This Special Issue seeks to explore the complex and multifaceted relationship between New Religious Movements and the political spheres in which they exist, examining how these movements interact with, conflict against, or even influence political systems, laws, and societal norms. Through this Special Issue, we aim to provide a nuanced understanding of how NRMs challenge, negotiate with, and influence the political environments they inhabit. We are pleased to invite you to engage with the diverse perspectives presented in this issue, which together aim to advance both the historical understanding of NRMs and their contemporary political significance. We look forward to receiving your contributions.

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