

# UTS COSMOPOLITAN CIVIL SOCIETIES RESEARCH CENTRE

## Contested Space in a Global City: The Changing Religious Landscape of Multicultural London

### SEMINAR

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### Professor John Eade

**When:** Thursday 15 April 2010, 12:30pm – 2:00pm

**Where:** Cosmopolitan Civil Societies Research Centre, UTS City Campus  
Level 3, Mary Ann House, 645 Harris Street, Sydney  
(a short walk from Central Railway Station)

### ABSTRACT

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The rapid growth of urban centres around the world is intimately bound up with global migration, which increases the multicultural diversity of these centres. The urban landscape changes to reflect the cultural interests of the minorities created by this migration. This talk will explore this process through an analysis of disputes concerning the building of mosques and churches in a highly globalised city - London - and what light these disputes throw on the political and ideological contestation of space where the local, national, transnational and global intersect.

### BIOGRAPHY

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**Professor John Eade** is Professor of Sociology and Anthropology as well as Executive Director of CRONEM (Centre for Research on Nationalism, Ethnicity and Multiculturalism) which links Surrey and Roehampton universities. After research in Kolkata (Calcutta) on the social identity of the educated Bengali Muslim middle class, he completed his PhD in 1986 on Bangladeshi community politics in Tower Hamlets. Since then he has researched the Islamisation of urban space, globalisation and the global city, travel and pilgrimage, forced marriage, black Methodists in London, and Bangladeshi identity politics. (For further details see [www.surrey.ac.uk/Arts/CRONEM](http://www.surrey.ac.uk/Arts/CRONEM))

*The presentation will be approximately 50 minutes with 10 minute Q and A, followed by a light lunch.*

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The Cosmopolitan Civil Societies Research Centre at the University of Technology, Sydney.*

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