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**“PATHWAYS TO PEACE” INTERFAITH LECTURE SERIES
WELCOMES GUEST SPEAKER, OXFORD ISLAMIC SCHOLAR,
DR. TARIQ RAMADAN, MARCH 20 & 21**

LOCATIONS AND TIMES:

SALT LAKE CITY MAIN LIBRARY AUDITORIUM, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20, 7 P.M.

UNIVERSITY OF UTAH MARRIOTT LIBRARY GOULD AUDITORIUM, THURSDAY,
MARCH 21, NOON

SPEAKER:

PROF. TARIQ RAMADAN, PROFESSOR OF CONTEMPORARY ISLAMIC STUDIES IN
THE FACULTY OF ORIENTAL STUDIES, OXFORD UNIVERSITY, ENGLAND

COST:

NO ADMISSION CHARGE; FREE AND OPEN TO THE COMMUNITY

SUMMARY:

Speaking from a religious perspective, Prof. Ramadan will discuss:

March 20 “Islam and Human Rights: How will the Arab Spring bring Peace to the Middle East?”

March 21 “The Needs of Ethics when dealing with an Islam Legal System (Bioethics, Environment, and Gender)”

Dr. Ramadan’s presentations are part of the “Pathways to Peace,” an interfaith series of thoughtful lectures, films, and discussions about working toward peaceful solutions to world conflicts.

The Roundtable is pleased to co-sponsor this event in association with the Salt Lake City Main Library and the University of Utah Marriott Library.

BIOGRAPHY (www.tariqramadan.com/spip.php?article11&lang=en):

Tariq Ramadan is Professor of Contemporary Islamic Studies at the Oxford University (Oriental Institute, St Antony's College) and also teaches at the Oxford Faculty of Theology. He is Visiting Professor at the Faculty of Islamic Studies, (Qatar) and the University of Malaysia Perlis; Senior Research Fellow at Doshisha University (Kyoto, Japan) and Director of the Research Centre of Islamic Legislation and Ethics (CILE) (Doha, Qatar).

He holds an MA in Philosophy and French literature and PhD in Arabic and Islamic Studies from the University of Geneva. In Cairo, Egypt he received one-on-one intensive training in classic Islamic scholarship from Al-Azhar University scholars (ijazat in seven disciplines). Through his writings and lectures Tariq has contributed to the debate on the issues of Muslims in the West and Islamic revival in the Muslim world. He is active at academic and grassroots levels lecturing extensively throughout the world on theology, ethics, social justice, ecology and interfaith as well intercultural dialogue. He is President of the European think tank: European Muslim Network (EMN) in Brussels.

His latest books are: "Islam and the Arab Awakening" OUP USA (2012); "The Arab Awakening: Islam and the New Middle East" Penguin (April 2012); "The Quest for Meaning, Developing a Philosophy of Pluralism" Penguin (2010); "What I believe" OUP USA (2009); "Radical Reform, Islamic Ethics and Liberation" OUP USA (2008).

In addition, Dr. Ramadan has been recognized twice by Time magazine: first, in 2000, as one of the 100 innovators of the 21st Century; and in 2004, as one of the world's top 100 most-influential intellectuals in the world.

The Salt Lake Interfaith Roundtable

The Roundtable is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization consisting of over 220 individuals working to promote love, harmony, and an increased understanding among persons of all faith traditions, cultures, and belief systems everywhere.

Throughout the year, the Roundtable regularly co-sponsors a number of free community programs and events with the purpose of facilitating increased understanding through interfaith dialogue.

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