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## **The Shaping of the Modern Middle East**

Commencing in the late 15th century with the introduction of gunpowder in naval warfare and the rapid transformation of maritime trade, this book focuses on the scope and limitations of war before the 18th century.

## **Secrets, Gossip, and Gods**

A translation of Voegelin's *Die politischen*

## **Studies in Freemasonry and the Compagnonnage**

A sparkling collection of Zadie Smith's nonfiction over the past decade. Zadie Smith brings to her essays all of the curiosity, intellectual rigor, and sharp humor that have attracted so many readers to her fiction, and the result is a collection that is nothing short of extraordinary. Split into four sections—"Reading," "Being," "Seeing," and "Feeling"—*Changing My Mind* invites readers to witness the world from Zadie Smith's unique vantage. Smith casts her acute eye over material both personal and cultural, with wonderfully engaging essays—some published here for the first time—on diverse topics including literature, movies, going to the Oscars, British comedy, family, feminism, Obama, Katharine Hepburn, and Anna Magnani. In her investigations Smith also reveals much of herself. Her literary criticism shares the wealth of her experiences as a reader and exposes the tremendous influence diverse

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writers—E. M. Forster, Zora Neale Hurston, George Eliot, and others—have had on her writing life and her self-understanding. Smith also speaks directly to writers as a craftsman, offering precious practical lessons on process. Here and throughout, readers will learn of the wide-ranging experiences—in novels, travel, philosophy, politics, and beyond—that have nourished Smith's rich life of the mind. Her probing analysis offers tremendous food for thought, encouraging readers to attend to the slippery questions of identity, art, love, and vocation that so often go neglected. *Changing My Mind* announces Zadie Smith as one of our most important contemporary essayists, a writer with the rare ability to turn the world on its side with both fact and fiction. *Changing My Mind* is a gift to readers, writers, and all who want to look at life more expansively.

### **La fede nel dialogo**

The author recounts his experiences traveling in India, and shares his impressions of the land, its people, and culture

### **Islam**

The conflict between Israelis and their forebears, on the one hand, and Palestinians and theirs, on the other, has lasted more than a century and generated more than its share of commentaries and histories. James L. Gelvin's account of that conflict offers a compelling, clear-cut, and up to date introduction for students and general readers. Beginning in the mid-

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nineteenth century, when the inhabitants of Ottoman Palestine and the Jews of eastern Europe began to conceive of themselves as members of national communities, the book traces the evolution and interaction of these communities from their first encounters in Palestine through to the present, exploring the external pressures and internal logic that has propelled their conflict. The book, which places events in Palestine within the framework of global history, skillfully interweaves biographical sketches, eyewitness accounts, poetry, fiction and official documentation into its narrative, and includes photographs, maps and an abundance of supplementary material. Now in a revised edition, Gelvin's award-winning book takes the reader through the 2006 Summer War and its aftermath.

### **The Rage and the Pride**

Un saggio di imprescindibile attualità che ribadisce l'importanza del dialogo e l'accettazione del diverso credo religioso. Il 29 luglio 2013, padre Paolo Dall'Oglio è stato rapito in Siria, a Raqqa. Da allora di lui non si sa più nulla. La sua è stata la voce più forte, autorevole e determinata di quel dialogo interreligioso spesso evocato per guarire il mondo dall'infezione del fondamentalismo. Edoardo Crisafulli nel suo saggio spiega le modalità in cui si è sviluppato il contributo del gesuita a questo dialogo e il libro prova a fornire un quadro, dal versante cristiano, di un confronto che si è sviluppato, con alterne fortune, negli ultimi mille anni e ha trovato un decisivo impulso nella Chiesa uscita dal Concilio Vaticano II.

## **Is It Possible to Live This Way?**

### **The Black Banners**

Did modernity begin with the Renaissance and end with post-modernity? In this book a distinguished scholar challenges both these assumptions. Louis Dupré discusses the roots, development, and impact of modern thought, tracing the fundamental principles of modernity to the late fourteenth century and affirming that modernity is still an influential force in contemporary culture. The combination of late medieval theology and early Italian humanism shattered the traditional synthesis that had united cosmic, human, and transcendent components in a comprehensive idea of nature. Early Italian humanism transformed the traditional worldview by its unprecedented emphasis on human creativity. The person emerged as the sole source of meaning while nature was reduced to an object and transcendence withdrew into a "supernatural" realm. Dupré analyzes this fragmentation as well as the writings of those who reacted against it--philosophers like Cusanus and Bruno, humanists like Ficino and Erasmus, theologians like Baius and Jansenius, mystics like Ignatius Loyola and Francis de Sales, and theosophists like Weigel and Boehme. Baroque culture briefly reunited the human, cosmic, and transcendent components, but since that time the disintegrating forces have increased in strength. Despite post-modern criticism, the principles of early modernity continue to dominate the climate of our

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time. Passage to Modernity is not so much a critique as a search for the philosophical meaning of the epochal change achieved by those principles.

### **Terrorismo**

A compelling account of the rise of modern political Islam traces the emergence of a new, militant brand of Islamic thought that appeared in the early 1970s and has been rocking the world ever since.

### **Journey Toward the Cradle of Mankind**

The writer's first work for ten years, on themes linked to the events of September 11: America, Italy, Europe, Islam and ourselves, interspersed with personal memoirs.

### **Apocalypse in Islam**

In Arab countries, openly declaring a disbelief in God is a shocking and sometimes dangerous thing to do. Many have been imprisoned for it, some have been forced into exile and others threatened with execution. And yet, in a region where the influence of religion is almost inescapable, growing numbers are claiming a right to believe - or disbelieve - as they see fit. Social media have given them a voice and the uprisings that toppled Arab dictators have emboldened them to speak out. In this groundbreaking book, journalist Brian Whitaker looks at the factors that lead them to abandon religion and the challenges they pose for governments and societies

that claim to be organised according to the will of God.

## **Warfare at Sea, 1500-1650**

Provides a broad, comprehensive, and yet concise introduction to Islamic philosophy covering a vast subject area in a relatively short book.

## **Ghaz\_I\_ and the Poetics of Imagination**

Negli ultimi anni è stata prodotta una vasta letteratura sull'estremismo islamico e sulle minacce associate quali terrorismo di matrice islamica, Foreign Fighters, radicalizzazione. Questo testo ha invece lo scopo di studiare il vero “motore primo” di tali fenomeni: l'ideologia e le strategie jihadiste. Solo così è possibile pervenire al più ampio understanding del Jihadismo e delle organizzazioni che ha espresso negli anni (al-Qai'da, ISIS, Boko Haram, Al-Shabaab etc.). Si propone quindi un percorso che si articola su: chiavi interpretative sui concetti di base, spesso confusi, quali Jihad, Califfato, Stato Islamico, Fratelli Musulmani; geopolitica e demografia dell'Islam; biografie, pensiero e opere dei principali ideologi dell'Islam radicale, fra cui Ibn Taymiyya, Sayyid Qutb, il maître-à-penser del jihadismo, Abdullah 'Azzam, il vero ideologo di al-Qai'da, Abu Mus'ab al-Suri , l' “Architetto del Jihad globale”. Il testo si conclude con cenni sulla Counter-ideology e sulle possibili evoluzioni del jihadismo che autorevoli fonti prevedono durerà ancora per “decenni”.

## **North African Societies after the Arab Spring**

Carole Hillenbrand's book offers a profound understanding of the history of Muslims and their faith, from the life of Muhammad to the religion practised by 1.6 billion people around the world today. Each of the eleven chapters explains a core aspect of the faith in historical perspective, allowing readers to gain a sensitive understanding of the essential tenets of the religion and of the many ways in which the present is shaped by the past. It is an ideal introductory text for courses in Middle Eastern studies, in religious studies, or on Islam and its history.

## **Violence and Belief in Late Antiquity**

In *Violence and Belief in Late Antiquity*, Thomas Sizgorich seeks to understand why and how violent expressions of religious devotion became central to the self-understandings of both Christian and Muslim communities between the fourth and ninth centuries. Sizgorich argues that the cultivation of violent martyrdom as a path to holiness was in no way particular to Islam; rather, it emerged from a matrix put into place by the Christians of late antiquity. Paying close attention to the role of memory and narrative in the formation of individual and communal selves, Sizgorich identifies a common pool of late ancient narrative forms upon which both Christian and Muslim communities drew. In the process of recollecting the past, Sizgorich explains, Christian and

Muslim communities alike elaborated iterations of Christianity or Islam that demanded of each believer a willingness to endure or inflict violence on God's behalf and thereby created militant local pieties that claimed to represent the one "real" Christianity or the only "pure" form of Islam. These militant communities used a shared system of signs, symbols, and stories, stories in which the faithful manifested their purity in conflict with the imperial powers of the world.

## **Annual Review of the Sociology of Religion**

A comprehensive look at the development, beliefs, and practices of Candomblé, exploring its transformation from a secret society of slaves - hidden, persecuted, and marginalized - to a public religion that is very much part of Brazilian culture.

## **Passage to Modernity**

Western civilization tends to view secularism as a positive achievement. From this perspective, benefits of secularizing trends include the separation of church and state, the rule of law, and freedom from organized religion. In the Arab Middle East, however, Islamist intellectuals increasingly cite Western-inspired secularism as the source of the region's social dislocation and political instability. While secularism in the West led to the spread of democratic values, in the Muslim world it has been associated with dictatorship, the violation of human rights, and the abrogation of civil liberties. Islam and

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Secularism in the Middle East examines the origins and growth of the movement to abolish the secularizing reforms of the past century by creating a political order guided by Shariah law. Contributors explain the Islamic rejection of secularism as a failed Western Christian ideal and also discuss how secularization was pioneered by those who thought Muslims could only advance politically by emulating Western practices, including the renunciation of religion.

### **Arab Society in Revolt**

Explores the belief in Muslim countries that the end of the world is at hand, uncovers the role of apocalypse in Islam, and examines the widespread fear of Christian Zionist domination as an impetus to jihad.

### **Radical Islam**

No attempt to define the Mediterranean as a region can overlook the multiplicity of political, religious and social forces at work along its shores. Responding to changes in the global and regional environment these forces have interacted in complex ways, as evidenced by their impact on the social, cultural, and political life of the states comprised between the covers of this collaborative volume. The peculiarity of the Mediterranean, as has been noted time and again, lies in its geographical position as a “sea in the middle of the land”, where different religions and cultures vie for recognition and self-expression. In the wake of the popular uprisings that have inflamed the

region, beginning in Tunisia in December 2010, a drastic reorganisation of their respective state systems is coming into focus in Tunisia, Egypt, and Libya. Though their paths do not run along parallel lines, they share a common denominator: the determination of their people to become the masters of their destinies, and to do so by grappling with new forms of democracy. Almost five years later, after their rulers became the target of violent mass protests, Tunisia, Egypt and Libya are going through an exceptionally difficult transition, trying to accommodate their nascent constitutional forms to the new forces inspired by the Arab Spring.

## **Scheherazade Goes West**

Throughout my childhood, my grandmother Yasmina, who was illiterate and grew up in a harem, repeated that to travel is the best way to learn and to empower yourself. "When a woman decides to use her wings, she takes big risks," she would tell me, but she was convinced that if you didn't use them, it hurt. So recalls Fatema Mernissi at the outset of her mesmerizing new book. Of all the lessons she learned from her grandmother -- whose home was, after all, a type of prison -- the most central was that the opportunity to cross boundaries was a sacred privilege. Indeed, in journeys both physical and mental, Mernissi has spent virtually all of her life traveling -- determined to "use her wings" and to renounce her gender's alleged legacy of powerlessness. Bursting with the vitality of Mernissi's personality and of her rich heritage, Scheherazade

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Goes West reveals the author's unique experiences as a liberated, independent Moroccan woman faced with the peculiarities and unexpected encroachments of Western culture. Her often surprising discoveries about the conditions of and attitudes toward women around the world -- and the exquisitely embroidered amalgam of clear-eyed autobiography and dazzling meta-fiction by which she relates those assorted discoveries -- add up to a deliciously wry, engagingly cosmopolitan, and deeply penetrating narrative. In her previous bestselling works, Mernissi -- widely recognized as the world's greatest living Koranic scholar and Islamic sociologist -- has shed unprecedented light on the lives of women in the Middle East. Now, as a writer and scholarly veteran of the high-wire act of straddling disparate societies, she trains her eyes on the female culture of the West. For her book's inspired central metaphor, Mernissi turns to the ancient Islamic tradition of oral storytelling, illuminating her grandmother's feminized, subversive, and highly erotic take on Scheherazade's wife-preserving tales from The Arabian Nights -- and then ingeniously applying them to her own lyrically embellished personal narrative. Interwoven with vivid ruminations on her childhood, her education, and her various international travels are the author's piquant musings on a range of deeply embedded societal conditions that add up, Mernissi argues, to a veritable "Western harem." A provocative and lively challenge to the common assumption that women have it so much better in the West than anywhere else in the world, Mernissi's book is an entrancing and timely look at the way we live here and now. By inspiring us to reconsider even the most commonplace aspects of

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our culture with fresh eyes and a healthy dose of suspicion, Scheherazade Goes West offers an invigorating, candid, and entertaining new perspective on the themes and ideas to which Betty Friedan first turned us on nearly forty years ago.

### **Fascism**

In recent years radical fundamentalists have had a formidable intellectual and social impact on Sunni Islam countries such as Egypt, Syria, and Lebanon. This highly acclaimed book by an eminent Arabist focuses on the development of Sunni Muslim fundamentalism, discussing how it rejected Western values, broke with pan-Arabism, and took on an activist political position. This enlarged edition contains a new chapter, "In the Shadow of Khomeini," which considers the growth and influences of Shi'ite radicalism since the Iranian Revolution, reviews the principal areas of controversy between Sunni and Shi'ite Muslims, and assesses whether rapprochement between the two groups is likely. Review of the earlier edition: "Sivan . . . not only introduces Western readers to scores of important but little-known contemporary Islamic thinkers, . . . He also breaks new ground in his analysis of their work and activities."--Shaul Bakhash, *Wilson Quarterly* "A gem of a small book. . . . Sivan writes clearly, dispassionately, and with enviable command of his subject. His book makes a large and almost entirely new body of information available."--Daniel Pipes, *The New Leader* "Not just scholars but everyone seriously interested in the contemporary Middle East is in

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Sivan's debt."--G.H. Jansen, Los Angeles Times "This study by Emmanuel Sivan is exceptional; it is professional, insightful, and persuasive. . . . A well-informed interpretation of recent events based directly on relevant Arabic writings."--Michael W. Dols, History "Thorough, thought-provoking, and very instructive."--William M. Brinner, Middle East Review Emmanuel Sivan is professor of history at Hebrew University and editor of the Jerusalem Quarterly

### **Educazione interreligiosa a scuola. IRC: problema o risorsa?**

Unusual yet reasonable approaches to living life as a Christian.

### **Political Religions**

El terror hizo su aparición en las Ramblas de Barcelona. Repentino y devastador, segó para siempre la vida de personas indefensas. Jóvenes y niños entre las víctimas; jovencísimos, casi adolescentes, los terroristas. Precisamente porque el terror sume en el desconcierto y parece sustraerse a toda explicación inmediata, resulta indispensable profundizar en la reflexión evitando el reduccionismo de la «locura» o el «fanatismo», que liquidan el asunto de forma expeditiva. El terrorismo actual forma parte de esa guerra civil global, no declarada pero extendida e intermitente, que jalona el tercer milenio. El terror es el rostro oscuro y enigmático de la globalización en guerra. Ninguno de los esquemas a los que suele recurrirse, desde el choque de

civilizaciones a la lucha de clases o las guerras de religión, consigue por sí solo esclarecerlo. Pero no ver en el terror un fenómeno político sería una grave equivocación: los terroristas no son nihilistas sin más, pues persiguen un proyecto definido, el del neocalifato global. El pasaje iniciático de la radicalización es un hiato generacional, una ruptura definitiva con los padres, percibidos como traidores. Los hermanos consagrados al terror son huérfanos de raíces, su identidad está rota. Este libro también se pregunta por el fracaso de los proyectos de emancipación que no consiguen calar en esta época desencantada de la modernidad. Di Cesare desentraña magistralmente en esta obra las raíces del terrorismo, las consecuencias del Estado del miedo y el sentido del arma de la propia muerte —sin precedentes en la historia y característico del yihadismo—, no para proporcionar soluciones, sino para tratar de encuadrar el terror planetario, uno de los mayores peligros que a día de hoy enfrenta nuestra sociedad.

## **Radical Islam and the Revival of Medieval Theology**

The main goal of the second issue of the Annual Review of the Sociology of Religion, devoted entirely to religion and politics, is precisely to question the sense of a reconstruction of the mutual and simultaneous relations between these two spheres of social life. What does this process mean and where is it taking us?

## **Midnight at the Pera Palace: The Birth of Modern Istanbul**

Moosa (Duke Univ.) offers a comprehensive study that brilliantly clarifies the multifaceted and conflicted legacy of the great Muslim medieval religious philosopher al-Ghazali. Competing religious, cultural, and political agendas have distorted his real contributions to Islamic culture. Spurned by both fundamentalists and rationalists in the contemporary Muslim world, Ghazali is prized by traditionalists for his mystical piety and ethical insight. Centering his inquiry on the image of the dihliz, the threshold which occupies the border between the subjective and the objective, Moosa explores problems of knowledge through a focus on the self as it manifests in poetics, self-creation, the pursuit of virtue, ethical self-mastery, and ultimately the sociopolitical realm, where ethics meets law and jurisprudence. Ghazali's own crisis of faith led him to reinvigorate his own religious tradition by situating traditional problems in metaphysics, theology, ethics, law, and mysticism in the context of the soul's overcoming its exile from God. Thus, ethics ceases to be only abstract theory and becomes the art of transformation. Especially impressive is Moosa's linking of historical inquiry with the existential interests of contemporary Muslim subjectivity. Summing Up: Highly recommended. Upper-level undergraduates through researchers/faculty. Upper-division Undergraduates; Graduate Students; Researchers/Faculty. Reviewed by J. Bussanich

## **Answering Only to God**

Hardcover edition has a map on the endpapers.

### **Jihad**

“Timely . . . brilliant . . . hugely enjoyable, magnificently researched and deeply absorbing.”—Jason Goodwin, *New York Times Book Review* At midnight, December 31, 1925, citizens of the newly proclaimed Turkish Republic celebrated the New Year. For the first time ever, they had agreed to use a nationally unified calendar and clock. Yet in Istanbul—an ancient crossroads and Turkey's largest city—people were looking toward an uncertain future. Never purely Turkish, Istanbul was home to generations of Greeks, Armenians, and Jews, as well as Muslims. It welcomed White Russian nobles ousted by the Russian Revolution, Bolshevik assassins on the trail of the exiled Leon Trotsky, German professors, British diplomats, and American entrepreneurs—a multicultural panoply of performers and poets, do-gooders and ne'er-do-wells. During the Second World War, thousands of Jews fleeing occupied Europe found passage through Istanbul, some with the help of the future Pope John XXIII. At the Pera Palace, Istanbul's most luxurious hotel, so many spies mingled in the lobby that the manager posted a sign asking them to relinquish their seats to paying guests. In beguiling prose and rich character portraits, Charles King brings to life a remarkable era when a storied city stumbled into the modern world and reshaped the meaning of cosmopolitanism.

## **Changing My Mind**

### **Business Benchmark Upper Intermediate Audio Cassettes BEC Vantage Edition**

## **The Forgotten Queens of Islam**

Mernissi recounts the extraordinary stories of fifteen queen s and reflects on the implications for the ways in which politics is practiced in Islam today, a world in which women are largely excluded form the political domain.

## **Quale Islam? Jihadismo, radicalismo, riformismo**

Describes the internal power struggle between conservative and reform Islamic elements in Iran and the resulting destabilization of the country.

## **Diversamente italiani. Inchiesta shock sui convertiti all'Islam**

El presente volumen colectivo trata de materias de rabiosa actualidad y doctrinalmente controvertidas, que por su naturaleza y consecuencias tanto interesan a los expertos como al público en general. Son temas del volumen: el terror de Estado, los sistemas electorales, el Estado islámico, la ecosofía, los derechos humanos y la cooperación para el

desarrollo, la biotecnología, el derecho a la propiedad intelectual y el copyleft, la crítica al concepto moderno de derecho y democracia, las relaciones entre derecho, poder e internet, la crítica a los modelos clásicos de democracia y la defensa de un nuevo modelo y finalmente las semejanzas y diferencias entre los derechos indígenas y los derechos occidentales. Los coautores ya publicaron en esta editorial en 2011 el volumen Teoría y fundamentos del Derecho sobre los temas clásicos de la Filosofía del Derecho y Política con una clara intencionalidad pedagógica. Ahora dan a la luz un nuevo volumen que aborda los novedosos y controvertidos temas de su especialidad, con espíritu crítico y una metodología más abierta. Los coautores consideran que la Filosofía jurídico-política debe abrirse a las nuevas cuestiones, que presentan dudas y retos a la reflexión jurídica, aun cuando no sean temas clásicos (es decir: viejos temas) del área de conocimiento. Es objetivo de la edición que cada autor redacte un capítulo sintético y actualizado sobre la materia de la que es especialista y sobre la que posee numerosas publicaciones.

## **The Israel-Palestine Conflict**

For every pithy conceptualization of complex events, there are additional lenses through which to examine them. One of the several virtues of this book is precisely that it brings different perspectives to bear on the complexity, diversity, and uncertainty of recent and current events in the Arab world. The thirteen authors concentrate on the critical social forces

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shaping the region—demography, religion, gender, telecommunication connectivity, and economic structures—and they are painstakingly analyzed and evaluated.—from the foreword by Strobe Talbott, president of the Brookings Institution The Arab Spring will be remembered as a period of great change for the Arab states of North Africa and the eastern Mediterranean. Facing fundamental transitions in governance, these countries are also undergoing profound social, cultural, and religious changes. The European Union and the United States, caught unprepared by the uprisings, now must address the inescapable challenges of those changes. How will the West respond to these new realities, particularly in light of international economic uncertainty, EU ambivalence toward a "cohesive foreign policy," and declining U.S. influence abroad? Arab Society in Revolt explains and interprets the societal transformations occurring in the Arab Muslim world, their ramifications for the West, and possible policy options for dealing with this new world. Arab Society in Revolt examines areas of change particularly relevant in the southern Mediterranean: demography and migration, Islamic revival and democracy, rapidly changing roles of women in Arab society, the Internet in Arab societies, commercial and social entrepreneurship as change factors, and the economics of Arab transitions. The book then looks at those cultural and religious as well as political and economic factors that have influenced the Western response, or lack of it, to the Arab Spring as well as the policy options that remain open.

## **Arabs Without God**

'If you see the Black Banners coming from Khurasan, join that army, even if you have to crawl over ice; no power will be able to stop them' Hadith attributed to the Prophet Muhammad

The Black Banners is the ultimate insider's account of the realities of counter-terrorism. During a decade on the front lines, as the FBI's lead investigator into Al Qaeda, Ali Soufan thwarted plots around the world and won some of the most important confessions from terrorists - without laying so much as a hand on them. Most of these stories have never been reported before, and never by anyone with such intimate firsthand knowledge. Soufan takes us into the interrogation rooms, into the hideouts. He even gives us a ringside seat at bin Laden's personal celebration of the 9/11 bombings. This is a gripping blow-by-blow account of the ten-year hunt for the most dangerous and well-connected Islamist terrorists - some of whom are still at large. In The Black Banners Soufan also explains why the pervasive use of torture is not helping in the 'War on Terror', and how a more enlightened approach to intelligence is not only possible, but essential. This is a story not just of intrigue and bravery, but of empathy. He shows us how terrorists think and operate. And he shows that through this understanding, they can be stopped and finally brought to justice. Ali Soufan knows the truth about the successes and failures of countering terrorism. His knowledge is essential to us all.

## **Temas clave de la filosofía del Derecho y**

## **política**

René Guénon (1886-1951) was one of the great luminaries of the twentieth century, whose critique of the modern world has stood fast against the shifting sands of intellectual fashion. His extensive writings, now finally available in English, are a providential treasure-trove for the modern seeker: while pointing ceaselessly to the perennial wisdom found in past cultures ranging from the Shamanistic to the Indian and Chinese, the Hellenic and Judaic, the Christian and Islamic, and including also Alchemy, Hermeticism, and other esoteric currents, they direct the reader also to the deepest level of religious praxis, emphasizing the need for affiliation with a revealed tradition even while acknowledging the final identity of all spiritual paths as they approach the summit of spiritual realization. *Studies in Freemasonry and the Compagnonnage* is both an attempt to rediscover the lost roots of Masonry and a fascinating look into the many controversies swirling around the subject of Masonry in serious intellectual circles during the first half of the twentieth century. It must also be classed, along with *Symbols of Sacred Science*, *Spiritual Authority and Temporal Power*, *Traditional Forms and Cosmic Cycles*, *The Esoterism of Dante*, *Insights into Christian Esoterism* and *Insights into Islamic Esoterism* and Taoism-not to mention related sections in many of his other books-as one of René Guénon's masterful excursions into esoteric myth, symbolism, and secret history. Freemasonry may indeed be, as Guénon ultimately concluded, a largely degenerated and thus no longer

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strictly 'operative' offshoot of a true initiatory lineage; yet its symbolism, like that of the original Rosicrucians, remains profound, traditional, and therefore ultimately legitimate. And given that the 'Spirit bloweth where it listeth', it is always possible that symbolism of this order may awaken in a receptive soul intimations of the Truth and the Way, which can be of inestimable of value in 'the path to the Path', the quest for a living initiatory spirituality.

### **Twitter and Jihad. The Communication Strategy of ISIS**

### **Islam and Secularism in the Middle East**

This compelling and timely book explores the relationship between classical Islamic theology and the contemporary radicalization of Islam.

### **ISIS**

### **Conoscere e contrastare il jihadismo**

Business Benchmark helps students get ahead with their Business English vocabulary and skills and gives them grammar practice in business contexts. The Audio Cassettes contain all the recorded material for the listening activities in both editions of Business Benchmark 2, including BEC practice test listening.

### **An Introduction to Islamic Philosophy**

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For Italian intellectuals, the terms fascist and antifascist continue to be the hard currency of contemporary political debate-to the point that if you are not one, you must be the other. When professor Renzo de Felice suggests that fascism describes a moment in the Italian past-and only that-he is challenging the very heart of current orthodoxy. The nature of his analysis of the recent Italian past is itself at odds with the traditional version, and represents a radical departure from conventional wisdom. De Felice's ideas about fascism have a broad significance, quite apart from their importance in the contemporary Italian scene. Perhaps no one knows as much about fascism, and no one has given the subject such a rigorous historical analysis.

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