



Looking for that other Face: Women Muslim Leaders and Violent Extremism in Indonesia

by Frank van Lierde

Book Launch Reception

March 5, 2013 | 7:00 to 9:00 pm

Venue: WFM Institute for Global Policy

24th Floor, 708 Third Ave. (at 44th St.), New York, NY 10017

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In his new book *Looking for that Other Face, Women Muslim Leaders and Violent Extremism in Indonesia*, six devout Indonesian Muslim women tell their stories of social change, religious reform and emancipation. They make change happen, in their own schools, communities and districts, even on a national level. They manage to act as bridge builders in their communities, across religious interpretations of Islam. Against the background of violent extremism and identity politics they form a pillar of strength in combating violence in their communities and communicating values to young people that encompass human security.

At the reception, there will be an interactive interview session between the author and Inayah Rohmaniyah, one of the women interviewed in his book, highlighting her role in countering violent extremism.



About the author

Frank van Lierde (1968) works as a corporate journalist for Cordaid and as an independent freelance writer. Previous publications he wrote include *Countering the Politics of Fear*, *Social Activists between Terror and Counter-terror* (Cordaid, 2010), *We, Widows of the Gun* (Cordaid, 2011) and a series of witness accounts from Palestinian and Israeli human rights defenders in Dutch (United Civilians for Peace, 2012).

Inayah Rohmaniyah is a senior lecturer at the UIN Sunan Kalijaga Yogyakarta University in Indonesia, Study of Religion and Islamic Thoughts, and a member of the Indonesian Community for Justice and Equality (KIAS). She received her MA from Arizona State University on a Fulbright and has completed her PhD at Indonesian Consortium for Religious Studies (ICRS) Yogyakarta. She is currently working on a project about the history of Salafism in Southeast Asia.



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How to get there from the UN Church Center (for those attending the panel discussion on “The vital role of women in countering violent extremism and building peace”, earlier that afternoon)

