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Description

Haroon K. Ullah is a scholar, diplomat, and field researcher specializing in South Asia and the Middle East. Haroon grew up in a farming community in Washington State and was trained at Harvard University's John F. Kennedy School of Government, where he served as a senior Belfer fellow and completed his MPA.

Haroon has a PhD in Political Science and Public Policy from the University of Michigan and was a William J. Fulbright fellow, a Harvard University presidential scholar, a National Security Education Program fellow, and a Woodrow Wilson Public Service fellow. He is also the author of *Vying for Allah's Vote* (Georgetown University Press, 2013).

His recent book, *The Bargain From the Bazaar: A Family's Day of Reckoning*, published in March 2014 by PublicAffairs, has received widespread praise and acclaim, including from the New York Review of Books, the Wall Street Journal, Mother Jones, Seattle Times, NPR and Publisher's Weekly. Haroon currently serves on Secretary Kerry's Policy Planning Staff at the US State Department, focusing on public diplomacy, strategic policy and countering violent extremism.

Industry Expertise

Government Relations, Media - Online, Media - Broadcast, Internet, Public Policy, International Trade and Development, Philanthropy, International Affairs, Motion Pictures and Film

Topics

Public Policy, Pakistan, Diplomacy, International Relations, Foreign Policy, International Rights, Politics, Human Rights, National Security, Political Science

Affiliations

U.S. Department of State, Harvard University, Council of Foreign Relations

Sample Talks

Divine Endorsement? Islamists, Voting Behavior and Political Violence

A look at the five myths about countering violent extremism and examining new trends in democratization.

A Journey from Small-Town America to the Middle East and South Asia

Exploring the global trends that influence America and its future.

Past Talks

Member to Member Lunch with Dr. Haroon Ullah: Rising Political Islam, Causes and Consequences for American Foreign Policy

World Affairs Council of Seattle

Instant Issues

World Affairs Council of Western Mass. and Critical Connections

Haroon Ullah: Political Violence and Extremism in Pakistan

International Relations Council of Kansas City, Saint Andrew Christian Church

Book talk/Signing

The Elliot Bay Book Company & Town Hall Seattle

Book Talk

Politics and Prose Book Store

Education

University of Michigan

PhD Comparative Politics and Public Policy

Harvard University, John F. Kennedy School of Government

Master's Degree Public Administration in International Development

Whitman College

B.A. Politics

Accomplishments

U.S. William J. Fullbright Award for International Affairs

Prestigious congressionally mandated award to explore civil society and governance reforms in North Africa and Morocco.

Harvard University President Scholarship

Awarded by Harvard University

Term Member of Council on Foreign Relations

Program for promising leaders in government, media, nongovernmental organizations, law, business, finance, and academia to engage in a sustained conversation on international affairs and U.S. foreign policy.

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