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Call for Contributors: The Routledge Handbook of Religion, Gender and Society

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We are looking for contributors to a new and exciting handbook on the topic of *Religion, Gender and Society*. Underpinning the volume, is an awareness that it is impossible for scholars, activists and policy makers to understand and explain contemporary societies and to contribute towards positive social change unless attention is paid to the role that religion plays in shaping gender identities. This handbook will provide a survey of the current state of research on religions, gender and society. Its aim will be to make a major contribution to the research agenda for the next 5-7 years, to redefine existing areas within the context of international research, and to highlight emerging and cutting edge areas.

No handbook can be comprehensive in terms of coverage, but whereas many texts on this topic have taken an approach that focuses on the contribution of individual religions to constructing gender identities, our volume enables readers to explore this through the lenses of 'theories, concepts and methodologies', 'key issues and themes' and 'locations'.

We are particularly looking for authors to contribute on the following topics:

- Postcolonial approaches to the study of religion and gender
- Religion and gender in post-secular societies
- Activism
- Diaspora and Migration
- South Asia
- Masculinities and Religion (specifically, we are looking for two chapters, one on South Asia, and the other on Oceania).

We are also open to other suggestions that might suit other research interests, and are particularly keen to feature authors working and connected to the Global South.

If you are interesting in being considered, please send a short abstract/chapter outline to Dr Caroline Starkey (c.starkey@leeds.ac.uk) by Monday 1st April 2019. Final chapters will be due in autumn/winter 2019, with publication planned for mid-2020.