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## Pluralism vs intolerance: A constitutional and legal review in Indonesia

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Followed by light lunch

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Dr Tim Lindsey from the Asian Law Centre, The University of Melbourne, will moderate and chair the Q & A session.

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