



# **Religious Pluralism and Inter-Faith Dynamics in Senegal's West African Context**

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## **Abstract**

Religious pluralism is a defining characteristic of Senegal's West African context, characterized by the coexistence of Islam and indigenous beliefs alongside Christianity and other minority religions. The study employs a multidisciplinary approach integrating sociological, anthropological, and ethnographic perspectives with historical analysis. Key themes emerged include the significant role played by traditional leaders in mediating inter-faith conflicts, and the evolving legal landscape that promotes religious freedom and equality. The review underscores the importance of inclusive policies and community-based initiatives for fostering harmonious coexistence among diverse religious communities. Policy makers should prioritise education on inter-religious dialogue and encourage public spaces where all faiths can participate in cultural events.

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