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Over the past three decades, issues related to religious freedom have increasingly come to the fore. The European Court of Human Rights ruled the landmark case on religious freedom in 1993, the U.S. passed the *International Religious Freedom Act* in 1998, and the King of Morocco hosted a major international conference in 2016 on promoting the rights of religious minorities in Muslim majority countries. Religion and state relations, with a focus on religious freedoms, has now become a growing interdisciplinary area of study. The Religion and State project has produced three waves of data and many other international initiatives put religious freedom at the center of their studies. Scholars in political science, international relations, and judicial studies have all contributed theoretical discussions, case studies and extensive empirical analysis. Sociologists have contributed too, but they have far more to offer.

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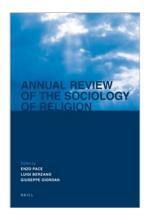
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