



Azim Premji University Colloquium Series

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"Limits of the Secular: Social Experience and Cultural Memory"

Speaker

Kaustav Roy

Date: January 18, 2017 (Wednesday)

Time: 2.30 pm to 4.00 pm

Venue: Room 101, 1st Floor, Pixel B, Azim Premji University

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About the Lecture

Kaustav Roy will be speaking about his recent book, *Limits of the Secular: Social Experience and Cultural Memory* (New York: Palgrave Macmillan, 2017). The book facilitates a missing dialogue between the rational (or empirical) dimension and the transcendental (non-empirical) dimension of human experience. It argues that the eclipse of the latter dimension from public discourse destroys *phronesis* or lived wisdom, leading on one side to social malady and on the other side to extremism and fundamentalism. The book approaches the problem from the angle of social phenomenology and hermeneutics.

The book's ISBN is 978-3-319-48697-0.

About the Speaker

Kaustav Roy earned his Ph.D from Michigan State University. He taught at Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge for several years before joining Azim Premji University where he teaches sociology and curriculum theory. His previous books are *Teachers in Nomadic Spaces* (2005), and *Neighborhoods: War, Politics and Education* (2009). His current project focuses on the nature of philosophical action.