Preface

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This issue completes Vol 10 of *Contemporary Islam*. It seems appropriate after a successful decade that we recognize the efforts the Founding Editor, Professor Gabriele Marranci. He had a vision to create a top tier journal that focused on social science, especially anthropological, approaches to the study of Islam. Under his leadership, *Contemporary Islam* became an internationally respected journal. Many top scholars have contributed to its pages and its editorial board represents leading scholars from around the world. With such a journal, the academics focused on the lives of Muslim congealed as a community. We owe Professor Marranci a debt of gratitude that can only be acknowledged but never repaid. We also recognize the efforts of Professor Daniel Varisco, who in recent years contributed to the management of the journal.

This volume was largely completed under the leadership of Dr. Marranci who approved nearly all of the articles, all that was left was approving copy edits. Although the listed Editor-in-Chief has changed, this issue was still Gabriele's work.

After Professor Marranci resigned from the editorship of the journal, I accepted the offer to become the Editor-in-Chief. It is a great honor to step into this role. I will never be able to fill Gabriele's shoes and so I must make my own, so to speak. I look forward to working with the editorial board and the community of scholars who contribute and review articles for our journal to move forward in its second decade.

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