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Conceptualisation of Integration

An Australian Muslim Counter-Narrative

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'I have hardly come across a book that is as comprehensive and as insightful as this study, which clearly shows in how many different ways the notion of integration can be and has been conceptualised and interpreted, not only in the literature, but also in practice.' - Han Entzinger, Professor Emeritus of Migration and Integration Studies, Erasmus University Rotterdam, Netherlands

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