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The Myth of the Muslim Tide-Doug Saunders to speak at Congress 2013

Author debunks the myth that immigrants from Muslim countries pose a threat to the West

June 3, 2013 - Victoria— In his latest book, *The Myth of the Muslim Tide* uses demographic, statistical, and historical data, he examines the real lives and circumstances of Muslim immigrants in the West—their politics, their beliefs, their observances and their degrees of assimilation—and makes a timely argument against the continued, and increasingly mainstream, vilification of Muslim immigrants.

Doug Saunders is an award-winning author and the European Bureau Chief of the *Globe and Mail*. He has done extensive reporting on Islamic extremism and moderation in the Middle East, South East Asia, and in Europe and North America.

What? Doug Saunder's "Big Thinking" lecture "The Myth of the Muslim Tide"

Where? Phillip T. Young Theatre (B125), MacLaurin Building, University of Victoria

When? June 4, 2013, 7:45 – 8:55 a.m.

The <u>Big Thinking</u> lecture series is presented by the <u>Federation for the Humanities and Social Sciences</u> and the <u>University of Victoria</u>. Supporting sponsors are the <u>Association of Universities and Colleges of Canada and the Canada Foundation for Innovation</u>.

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