Conversion and Social Change in Early Islamic Iran

Professor Richard W. Bulliet

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His most recent scholarly work before a soon-to-be-published book on the history of technology entitled The Wheel: Inventions and Reinventions, was Cotton, Climate, and Camels in Early Islamic Iran: A Moment in World History (2009). His earlier books include Hunters, Herders, and Hamburgers (2005), The Case for Islamo-Christian Civilization (2004), Islam: The View from the Edge (1994), Conversion to Islam in the Medieval Period (1979), The Camel and the Wheel (1975), and The Patricians of Nishapur (1972). He has also written six novels, most recently The One-Donkey Solution (2011) and Chakra (2014).

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