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Conference Theme: Hindu Temples and Institutions: Challenges of the 21st Century

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***Name (First, Middle Initial, Last):** Dilip Amin, Ph. D.

***Role :** Speaker/Panelist_Y___ Session Chair_Y_____

***Title of your Talk:** Interfaith Marriages: Summary of 12 years of Research

***Abstract for your Talk (about 250 words):**

Hindus in general have very limited knowledge about Abrahamic (Judaism, Christianity and Islam) faiths. My survey shows that 38% of Hindus marry to an Abrahamic in America. To help youths in interfaith love, I established a forum, InterfaithShaadi.org, in 2009 that has since assisted countless individuals and couples, and through which I have personally guided 1200 youths. This experience is now summarized in my new guidebook, Interfaith Marriage: Share & Respect with Equality.

This presentation will cover perspectives on God, scriptures, marriage laws of different countries, pre-nuptial agreements, dealing with parents and children, within-faith marriage issues and summary of youths' real-life experiences. Plans to guide Hindu community, Hindu youths & parents and Hindu priests/temples about interfaith marriages will be discussed.

***Short Biography (used to introduce you) (Less than 50 words):**

Dr. Amin is a Director of the Peninsula Multifaith Coalition of the San Francisco Bay area, a certified speaker at Islamic Networks Group, and a Dharma Ambassador of Hindu American Foundation. He founded the web forum InterfaithShaadi.org and guided 1200 youths. He has summarized his experiences in the book "Interfaith Marriage: Share & Respect with Equality."

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