

Representations of Popular Islamic Religious Models in the Digital Age: Managing Religious Diversity

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Abstract

Through the extensive use of technology and social media, the digital era has changed how religion is perceived and practiced. Islam as a global religion is enjoying a rise in popularity, with some well-liked Islamic religious models gaining ground online. This essay looks into how these models are portrayed, how they affect how people around the world view Islam, and the difficulties they present. The digital era promotes religious understanding through easy access to information, online learning, interfaith conversation, virtual interactions, and the exchange of religious ideas. These prevalent paradigms cover a variety of interpretations, from traditional to reformist, extreme, Sufi, and intellectual, and they have an impact on people's religious identities. This study highlights measures to foster tolerance and diversity, taking into account both beneficial elements, such as enhanced religious knowledge, and negative dangers, like disinformation and fragmentation.

Introduction

In this rapidly evolving digital era, the role of technology and social media has become increasingly dominant in everyday life. The internet has connected millions of people from different parts of the world, creating a global space that allows for the quick and easy exchange of ideas, information and culture. In this context, religious diversity has become increasingly prominent, as people from different religious backgrounds can interact with each other and share their views online.¹

One religion that is experiencing increasing popularity globally is Islam. In particular, popular Islamic religious models are increasingly attracting the attention of many people in this digital age. These religious models range from interpretations of the Quran and Hadith, to worship practices, views on life, and how Islam adapts to changing times.²

In a saheeh hadeeth from Abu Hurairah (may Allah be pleased with him), the Messenger of Allah (blessings and peace of Allah be upon him) said:

”إِنَّ اللَّهَ يَبْعَثُ لِهُذِهِ الْأُمَّةِ عَلَى رَأْسِ كُلِّ مِائَةِ سَنَةٍ مَنْ يُجَدِّدُ لَهَا دِينَهَا“

"Surely Allah will send for this Ummah one who will renew their religious affairs at the end of every hundred years"

¹ Anang Sugeng Cahyono, "Pengaruh Media Sosial Terhadap Perubahan Sosial Masyarakat Di Indonesia," Publicana, Vol 1, (2016) : 140

² Muh. Hambali, Muhaimin, "Manajemen Pendidikan Islam Kontemporer," (Yogyakarta: IRCisoD, 2020), 30

The development that exists in Islam is basically only a change in form not substance. As in every human being since ancient times until now has the same instinct, namely eating. But what distinguishes 'eating' from era to era is only in the form of food and how to process it. Not on the substance of 'eating' itself. In some cases, Islam determines more substance rather than determining the form. For example, the mosque may be built in any form, as long as it fulfills the substance as a clean place that can be used for prayer.³

In the rapidly evolving digital era, information technology and the internet have drastically changed the way information is interacted with and disseminated. This digital era has had a significant impact on various aspects of human life, including religion and religiosity. In this context, Islam as one of the world's religions has also undergone an impressive transformation.⁴

Popular Islamic religious models in the digital era have a great influence in shaping the global community's perception and understanding of Islam. In this context, some of the popular religious models that can be mentioned include digital models of Qur'anic and hadith interpretation, views on worship, and other Islamic values such as social, economic and political.

The representation of popular Islamic religious models in the digital age has a major influence in shaping global society's perception and understanding of Islam. Some of these popular religious models include interpretations of the Quran, Hadith, views on worship, and other religious values. Information spread on the internet can be a source of knowledge for people who want to learn about Islam, but, at the same time, it also opens up opportunities for inaccurate or misinterpreted information that can lead to conflict or misunderstanding.⁵ There are concerns about the accuracy and reliability of religious information presented on digital platforms as well as the potential for the spread of content that is extremist or incompatible with the true teachings of Islam. With the growing number of internet users, the role of digital media in shaping views and attitudes towards religion is increasingly important, and therefore, an in-depth study of the representation of popular Islamic religious models in this digital age is needed.⁶

In this context, it is important to recognize the issues that arise in managing religious diversity in the digital age and understand how popular Islamic religious models are represented online. Important questions that arise are as follows:

1. How are popular Islamic religious models represented in the digital age?
2. How do social media and digital platforms influence people's perceptions of Islam?
3. What are the positive and negative impacts of the representation of popular Islamic religious models in cyberspace?

Methodology

This paper will take an analytical and descriptive approach to explore issues related to managing religious diversity in the digital age, with a particular focus on the representation of popular Islamic religious models. It is hoped that this paper will provide readers with valuable insights into the role of digital technologies in

³ M. Quraish Shihab, *Islam Segala Zaman menurut Ustadz Quraish Shihab*, accessed at 5 Agustus <https://islami.co/islam-segala-zaman-menurut-ustadz-quraish-shihab/>

⁴ Elmisyah Nur, "Peran Media Massa Dalam Menghadapi Serbuan Media Online The Role Of Mass Media In Facing Online Media Attacks," *Majalah Semi Ilmiah Populer Komunikasi Massa*, Vol 2 (2021): 57

⁵ Yunita Faela Nisa, ed. all. "Gen Z, Kegagalan Identitas Keagamaan" (UIN Jakarta: PPIM, 2018) 1-3

⁶ *Teknologi dan Transformasi Sosial Agama Masyarakat di Era New Normal*, accessed at 6 August 2023 <https://sosgama.iainpare.ac.id/2020/07/teknologi-dan-transformasi-sosial-agama.html>

shaping perceptions of religion and religiosity, as well as provide a deeper understanding of the challenges and opportunities in managing religious diversity in this increasingly connected era.

Discussion

❖ Religious Diversity in the Digital Age

Religious diversity in the digital age encompasses various aspects relating to how religions and beliefs are encountered and expressed in a digital environment that reflects the role of information and communication technologies in the way religion is accessed, practiced and expressed. The digital age provides great opportunities for the development of interfaith dialog, cultural exchange and a deeper understanding of religious diversity around the world. However, it also poses a challenge to address potential conflicts and extremism that arise in cyberspace. Among them are aspects such as Access to Information, Communities and Social Networks, Digital Religious Platforms, Online Religious Education, Expression of Religious Identity, Interreligious Dialogue, Challenges and Conflicts, Religion in Cyberspace and Virtual Worlds.⁷

• The Role of Information Technology in Shaping Religious Understanding

The influence of information technology in shaping religious understanding cannot be ignored. Wide access to information, online religious education, interfaith interaction, virtual religious experiences, translation and globalization, the dissemination of religious views, and the representation of religion in contemporary media all play an important role in enriching religious understanding. Information technology plays an important role in shaping religious understanding. Information technology minimizes the limitations of humanity in pursuing religious education, so that people can become educated, moral, and pious to Allah SWT. Learning Islam through information technology also helps to face challenges in this global era.⁸

Information technology has an important role in shaping religious understanding. With the development of information technology, people can easily access information and events happening in various parts of the world. This allows individuals to expand their knowledge of religion and understand its broader dimensions than just matters of divinity, belief and faith. In addition, information technology also allows individuals to connect with the wider religious community and share their understanding through digital platforms. Thus, information technology plays a role in enriching and expanding religious understanding.⁹

Information technology has a significant role in shaping religious understanding through its various mechanisms and effects on access, interaction and dissemination of information about religion. Here are some of the ways in which information technology can shape religious understanding:

1. **Broad and Rapid Access to Information:** Information technology, particularly the internet, provides wider and faster access to information about religion. Individuals can easily search and access sacred texts, scriptures, religious commentaries and other religious materials from around the world. This easy access allows individuals to obtain information about different religions and beliefs more quickly, thus enhancing interfaith understanding.
2. **Online Religious Education:** Online religious education platforms, such as online courses and webinars, provide opportunities for individuals to deepen their knowledge of a particular religion.

⁷ Kementerian Agama RI, "Road map Penguatan Moderasi Agama tahun 2020-2024" (Kementerian Agama RI, 2020), 13-17

⁸ Abdul Hamid Arribathi et.al., eds., "Peran Teknologi Informasi Dalam Pendidikan Agama Islam Untuk Menghadapi Tantangan Di Era Global Dan Generasi Z", *Alphabet Jurnal Wawasan Agama Risalah Islamiah, Teknologi dan Sosial Al-Waarits*, Vol 1. (2021): 56

⁹ Nursinita Killian, "Peran Teknologi Informasi dalam Komunikasi Antar Budaya dan Agama," *Jurnal Dakwah Tabligh*, Vol.15 (2014) 1, 17

This helps to enhance understanding of religious teachings, history and practices in a more structured and in-depth manner.¹⁰

3. **Interfaith Interaction:** Information technology, especially social media and online communication platforms, opens up opportunities for interfaith interaction and dialog. People can communicate with adherents of other religions from different backgrounds and cultures, exchange views, and learn from each other. These interactions can help eliminate stereotypes and promote respect for different beliefs.¹¹
4. **Virtual Religious Experience:** With online churches or temples and other virtual religious experiences, individuals can participate in religious worship and rituals without having to be in a physical place. These experiences help individuals to stay connected to their religious lives, especially in situations where visits to places of worship are difficult or limited.¹²
5. **Dissemination of Religious Views:** Information technology facilitates the dissemination of religious views, thoughts and teachings by religious leaders, scholars and members of religious communities. Through digital platforms, religious ideas and teachings can reach a wider audience and influence people's understanding of a particular religion.
6. **Representations of Religion in Contemporary Media:** The role of information technology in contemporary media, such as movies, videos and streaming platforms, affects the way religion is represented and understood by society. These representations can influence people's perceptions of certain religions and affect the way religious understanding is influenced by the media.¹³

- **Representation of Popular Islamic Religious Models and their influence in building Religious identity in the Digital Age**

Basically, there are various models or patterns of religious behavior that are popular and often used by adherents to build their religious identity. The representation of these popular Islamic religious models can influence the way individuals or groups live and interpret Islam in their daily lives and shape their religious identity. Here are some examples of representations of popular Islamic religious models and their influence in building religious identity:

First, the Traditional Model

This model emphasizes adherence to Islamic teachings that have existed for a long time and have been passed down from generation to generation. This model is often embraced by more conservative communities that tend to maintain cultural values and customs associated with religion. Its influence in building religious identity can make individuals feel more attached to existing traditions and norms, and make their religious identity part of a broader cultural identity.¹⁴

Second, the Reformist Model

This model emphasizes the reinterpretation of Islamic teachings in a contextual and contemporary manner. Adherents of this model tend to seek a more rational and science-based understanding, with the aim of

¹⁰ Ningsih, Indah Wahyu, "Penggunaan Teknologi Informasi Sebagai Jembatan Reformasi Pendidikan Islam di Indonesia" Jurnal Manajemen Pendidikan Islam. 81

¹¹ Muhammad Abdilllah, "Dari Hate Speech ke Love Speech, Modul Pelatihan Dialog Agama & Pengembangan Narasi Damai" (Makassar: Yayasan Pemberdayaan Masyarakat Indonesia Cerdas, 2021) 13-20

¹² Komunitas virtual kristen, "Era Baru Eklesia dalam Konteks Virtual dan Kontribusinya Bagi Kebebasan Beragama di Indonesia", Gema Teologi, vol.8 (2014): 88-89

¹³ Hamdan, Mahmudin, "Youtube Sebagai Media Dakwah", Journal of Social Religion Research, vol 6 (2021): 64-66

¹⁴ Izzah, Yuliati Udmazul, "Perubahan Pola Hubungan Kiai Dan Santri Pada Masyarakat Muslim Tradisional Pedesaan", Jurnal Sosiologi Islam, Vol. 1 (2011): 32

accommodating the changing times. Its influence in building religious identity is to provide awareness that religion can be relevant and contribute positively in modern society, which can make religious identity a source of inspiration to contribute to social and intellectual progress.¹⁵

Third, the Extremist Model

This model adopts a radical and absolute interpretation of Islamic teachings, often ignoring the social context and advocating extreme measures. Its influence in building religious identity can cause individuals to feel exclusive and superior to other groups, and can reinforce separation and conflict with non-Muslims.¹⁶

Fourth Model of Sufism

Sufism is the mystical dimension of Islam that emphasizes the individual's spiritual relationship with God. This model teaches the values of piety, introspection, and love. Its influence in building religious identity is that it brings a deep spiritual dimension, which can help individuals seek a deeper meaning of life and live a more contemplative life.¹⁷

Fifth, the Intellectual Model

This model emphasizes an intellectual approach to Islam and seeks a deep understanding through research, study, and reflection. Its influence in building religious identity is to provide a solid and deep foundation in understanding religion, so that individuals feel confident in their beliefs and understanding, and are able to dialogue and face challenges with strong arguments.¹⁸

In the real life of the digital era society, the representation of the religious model is widespread with the development of the da'wah model. For example, the trend of using the word hijrah by urban millennials is more often used today to describe the change of someone who chooses to be more religious. This is evidenced by the many hastags given on social media and also the number of YouTube channels that discuss this trend, not to forget the various types of books that use the title with the word hijrah.¹⁹ In addition, the widespread use of religious language, especially Islam, in the lives of millennials today, such as popular Islam and other content that increasingly uses religious framing.²⁰

The trends that shape the growing religious representation are inseparable from the da'wah carried out through digital technology that is increasingly developing and especially supported by good conditions.

❖ Representation of Islamic Religious Models in the Digital Age

1. Famous Religious Leaders on Social Media The influence of the representation of Islamic religious models by famous religious leaders on social media is enormous in shaping people's religious identity. With the massive use of social media, religious messages can reach millions of people quickly and easily. This can influence Muslims' perceptions and views of Islam, as well as inspire and motivate them to be more active in living an Islamic life and contributing positively to society. However, on the other hand, it is important to remember that the use of social media also brings challenges, such as the risk of misinformation or

¹⁵ Anang Firdaus, Muhammad, "Reorientasi Maqasid Terhadap Pemikiran Islam Reformis", *Journal of Islamic Studies and Society*, vol.1 (2020): 67

¹⁶ Ruri Amanda, "Historisitas Pemikiran Fundamentalisme-Ekstrimis Dalam Agama Islam", *Jurnal As-Salam*, no. 2 (2018): 37-40

¹⁷ Samsul Ridjal, Zaenuddin Hudi Prasjo, "Sufism And Religious Practices In Modern Lifestyle", *Jurnal Studi Agama-agama*, Vol. 9, no 1 (2019): 2-6

¹⁸ Omar Fathurrahman, "Tradisi Intelektual Islam Melayu-Indonesia: Adaptasi dan Pembaharuan", *Indonesian Journal For Islamic Study*, Vol.8, no.3 (2001): 207

¹⁹ Thiyas Tono Taufiq, Royanulloh, Komari, "Tren Hijrah Muslim Perkotaan di Media Sosial: Konstruksi, Representasi dan Ragam Ekspresi", *Jurnal Ilmu Aqidah dan Studi Keagamaan*, Vol.10, no 2 (2020): 357

²⁰ Moch. Fakhruroji, Ridwan Rustandi, Busro, "Bahasa Agama di Media Sosial: Analisis Framing pada Media Sosial "Islam Populer"" *Jurnal Bimas Islam* Vol 13 No. 2 (2020): 205

polarization of views, so it is important to always prioritize criticality and caution in receiving religious information from social media.

The role of well-known religious leaders is very significant in conveying representations of Islamic religious models to a wider audience. They have easier access to communicate and interact with the public through social media platforms such as Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, YouTube, and others. Some representations of Islamic religious models that often appear through famous religious leaders on social media include Islamic Lifestyle, Family Values, Spiritual Life, Islamic Knowledge, and Dawah and Empowerment models. All these forms of da'wah can be seen through Youtube shows, Instagram and other easily accessible social media.

Not only religious leaders, Muslim artists also participate in conveying representations of Islamic models. The presence of Islamic songs, Qur'anic recitations from Qari-qari'ah, and also forms of representation of classical Islamic culture are transforming in this digital era.

2. Online Learning Platforms About Islam

e-learning platforms have become a popular means of disseminating representations of Islamic religious models to Muslims. Through online learning platforms, many parties, including scholars, Islamic scholars and religious leaders, can deliver various learning materials about Islam more easily and efficiently. Here are some representations of Islamic religious models that can be found through online learning platforms such as platforms for learning the Quran and Hadith and Tafsir, platforms for learning Fiqh, Islamic History and Sirah nabawiyah, and Modern Islamic Life. Until now, some of the well-known platforms that are still widely used for learning religion include Muslim Pro, Yufid TV, Tazkiyah Academy, Al-Maghrib Institute and many others.²¹

❖ **The Influence of Representations of Religious Models in the Digital Age**

The influence of representations of religious models in the digital age can have both positive and negative impacts depending on how the content is produced, disseminated, and received by society. The following are some of the positive and negative influences of the representation of digital religious models:

Positive Influences

1. **Easy and Fast Delivery of Information:** The representation of religious models in the digital age allows for easier and faster delivery of information about religious teachings and values to different parts of the world, thus reaching more people.
2. **Increased Religious Awareness:** Various Islamic contents available on digital platforms can increase the religious awareness of Muslims. Users can easily access religious studies, Quranic commentaries, hadith, and other Islamic materials to deepen their religious understanding.
3. **Effective Means of Da'wah:** The representation of religious models in the digital age provides an effective means to convey da'wah and religious messages to a wider audience. Religious leaders and scholars can use digital platforms to spread Islamic values and encourage people to do good.

²¹ Farhanah, "Tafsir Era Digital Farhanah Studi Analisis Portal Tafsiralquran.id" Tesis Program Studi Ilmu Al-Quran Dan Tafsir Program Pascasarjana Institut Ilmu Al-Quran (IIQ) Jakarta, 235-237

4. **Strengthening Religious Identity:** Islamic content in the digital age can help strengthen Muslims' religious identity, provide inspiration, and build bonds of togetherness with other religious communities.
5. **Advancement of Religious Education:** The digital age brings advancements in religious education. Online learning platforms, online classes, and Islamic apps help Muslims improve religious understanding and deepen religious knowledge.

Negative Influence

1. **Spread of Misinformation and Extremism:** The digital age also provides opportunities for the spread of misinformation and extremist ideologies. Incorrect and extreme content can negatively influence religious views and identities.
2. **Lack of Content Quality:** Some Islamic content in the digital age may lack verification or quality in terms of content and teaching. This can lead to a false or superficial understanding of religion.
3. **Causing Religious Fragmentation:** The use of digital platforms can also lead to fragmentation in religious communities. People tend to be exposed to content that aligns with their own views, leading to potential isolation from different views and beliefs.
4. **Disregard for Traditional Experiences and Learning:** The digital age can reduce direct interaction and traditional learning in religious contexts. This can lead to the loss of religious values and practices that have been taught for generations.
5. **Unwise Use:** Unwise use of digital platforms, such as social media addiction, can cause users to become overly fixated on virtual world content and neglect real-life religious aspects.²²

❖ Building Inclusiveness and Interfaith Dialogue in the Digital Age

Building inclusiveness and interfaith dialogue in the digital era is an important effort to realize diversity and respectful understanding in an increasingly technologically connected society. The digital era has provided opportunities for easier communication and interaction with various groups of people, including various religions and beliefs.²³

Some steps that can be taken to create inclusivity and interfaith dialog in the digital era:

1. **Education and Awareness:** Education on the values of inclusivity, tolerance, and respect for religious diversity should be encouraged at all levels of society. By raising this awareness, people will be more open to differences and more ready to dialogue with people of different beliefs.²⁴
2. **Building Bridges of Communication:** Social media and digital technology can be effective tools for building bridges of communication between religious communities. Religious groups can utilize online platforms to share information, understanding, and their views on relevant issues.
3. **Avoiding the Spread of Negative Content:** In the digital age, messages and content can spread quickly, including negative and provoking ones. It is important to be cautious in sharing content that might trigger interfaith conflicts and tensions. Always verify information before sharing it.

²² Puji Harianto, "Radikalisme dalam Media Sosial", *Jurnal Sosiologi Agama*, Vol.12, No.2 (2018): 297

²³ Moderasi Beragama, Kunci Terciptanya Toleransi dan Kerukunan Bangsa. Accessed at 5 August 2023

<https://www.kominfo.go.id/content/detail/30558/moderasi-beragama-kunci-terciptanya-toleransi-dan-kerukunan-bangsa/0/berita>

²⁴ Lukman Hakim Saifuddin, "Moderasi Beragama", (Jakarta pusat: 2019)

4. **Encourage Open Discussion:** Support online forums that facilitate open discussions and mutual respect between religious communities. In addition, it is important to give space to minority voices and empower them to speak about their experiences.

5. **Engagement of Religious Leaders:** Religious leaders play an important role in shaping people's attitudes and views towards inclusivity and interfaith dialog. Encouraging the active participation of religious leaders in dialog and collaboration activities can inspire a deeper understanding of religious diversity.

6. **Cross-Cultural Cooperation:** Inclusiveness is not only about religious differences, but also about cultural and ethnic differences. Encouraging cross-cultural collaboration and cooperation will help strengthen social bonds and create better understanding.

7. **Tackling Hate Speech:** Combat the spread of hate speech and discrimination on online platforms. This is an important step towards creating a safe and inclusive environment for all members of society.

8. **Active Involvement of Youth:** Youth are often powerful agents of social change. Involving youth in efforts to build inclusivity and interfaith dialogue can create a positive impact in the long run.^{25 26}

Strategies for Managing Religious Diversity in the Digital Age: Challenges and Opportunities in Managing Diversity

Building inclusiveness and interfaith dialogue in the digital age requires awareness, cooperation, and commitment from various parties in society. With an inclusive approach and building an environment that respects differences, we can create a more harmonious and tolerant society in the face of challenges and opportunities in the digital age.

Strategies for managing religious diversity in the digital age face complex challenges and opportunities. One key strategy is to increase education and awareness about different religions and beliefs. With a better understanding of the differences and similarities among the world's religions, society can reduce fear, prejudice and interfaith conflict. In addition, utilizing social media to spread positive and inclusive content is also an important step in promoting tolerance and understanding between religious groups.

However, in the digital age, disinformation and damaging propaganda can also spread quickly. Therefore, more intensive efforts are needed to counter disinformation by providing accurate and evidence-based information about various religions. In addition, the digital age can also strengthen extremism and intolerance. Therefore, strategies for managing religious diversity must involve efforts to prevent extremism through education and community engagement.

Enhancing interfaith dialog is also important in creating better understanding and building harmonious relationships among religious groups. Through dialog, differences can be overcome and commonalities can be found. The involvement of religious groups in public institutions and decision-making processes is also important to ensure that the interests of all religions are recognized and respected.

A focus on universal values shared by all religions, such as love, compassion, peace, justice and forgiveness, can be a powerful glue in managing religious diversity in the digital age. Reinforcing these values can help create stronger bonds between religious communities.

²⁵ Lukman Hakim Saifuddin, "Moderasi Beragama dalam Ruang Digital" (Jakarta pusat: 2019) . 182

²⁶ Kementerian Agama RI, "Roadmap Penguatan Moderasi Beragama 2020-2024" (Kementerian Agama RI: 2020) 62-68

Forming active and collaborative interfaith networks is also an effective step in addressing common problems and campaigning for positive efforts in managing religious diversity. Through cooperation and collaboration, religious groups can support each other and strengthen efforts to create an inclusive environment.

The use of technology can also be a tool to create online platforms that encourage interfaith openness and dialogue. In this digital age, technology can facilitate the exchange of information and experiences between religious groups, and create virtual spaces for positive interaction.

Finally, building trust between religious groups is key in managing religious diversity. With mutual trust, religious groups will be more inclined to collaborate, share thoughts, and find joint solutions to problems faced. Understanding the challenges and capitalizing on opportunities in the digital age, a holistic and collaborative strategy can lead society towards harmony and harmony amid religious diversity.

Conclusion

In the growing digital age, information technology and social media play a dominant role in everyday life, enabling the quick and easy exchange of ideas, information and culture. Islam is becoming one of the most popular religions globally, with Islamic religious models that include interpretations of the Quran, Hadith, worship, and religious values adapting to the changing times.

Various popular Islamic religious models have emerged in the digital age, with great influence on the global perception and understanding of Islam. However, there are challenges related to the accuracy of information and the potential spread of extremist content. Questions arise about how these models are represented in the digital age, how social media affects people's perceptions of Islam, and the positive and negative impacts of their representation.

Information technology shapes religious understanding through widespread access to information, online religious education, interfaith interaction, virtual religious experiences and the dissemination of religious views. Popular Islamic religious models include traditional, reformist, extremist, Sufism and intellectual, with different impacts in constructing individual or group religious identities.

In the digital age, well-known religious leaders and online learning platforms play an important role in conveying representations of religious models. The influence of such representations can have positive impacts, such as increased religious awareness and effective means of proselytization, but also negative impacts such as the spread of misinformation or religious fragmentation.

To manage religious diversity in the digital age, it is necessary to build inclusivity and interfaith dialog. Steps include education, building communication bridges, avoiding the spread of negative content, encouraging open discussions, involving religious leaders, cross-cultural cooperation, addressing hate speech, and involving young people.

Strategies for managing religious diversity in the digital age face challenges such as disinformation and extremism, but also provide opportunities to strengthen religious awareness, establish dialogue and build harmonious relationships between religious groups. A focus on universal values and the strengthening of these values can help overcome problems and strengthen interfaith ties.

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