Conceptions of the human person construed in medieval Islam shape Muslim ethical conceptions of the self, body and mind. But how do these construals stand up to the test of empirical science and medicine? Is there a need to seek a conciliation between Muslim metaphysical conceptions of the human person and modern science? The presentation will explore some of the challenges posed to Muslim moral philosophy.

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