The Academy for Islam in Research and Society invites you to a public debate on the emergence of Muslim chaplaincy in European public institutions. Muslim chaplaincy looks back to a short history in various European and North American Countries. Its development created opportunities and raised many questions. As a concept rooted in Christian churches, which is lately practised by Muslims, it is e.g. discussed as a product of modern religious encounter and as a step towards integrating Muslim minorities in European countries. Furthermore, its compatibility with Islamic tradition is being argued within Muslim communities and examined by Islamic Studies.

The goal of this debate is to throw the light on the current stages of development of Muslim chaplaincy in different European countries and North America raising questions of professionalisation, experiences in different fields and its significance for the social welfare systems of different societies.

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