

Islamic Feminism

Exploring Boundaries and Embracing Possibilities

ITS-Colloquium

22nd–23rd November 2024

Academy of Islam in Research and Society (AIWG)

Goethe-University Frankfurt am Main

The workshop “Islamic Feminism: Exploring Boundaries and Embracing Possibilities” is organized by Dr. Mansooreh Khalilzand, University of Freiburg, Prof. Dr. Kata Moser, University of Gottingen, and Prof. Dr. Abbas Poya, FAU Erlangen-Nürnberg. The workshop explores Islamic feminism as one of the most discussed intellectual movements in the Islamic world, examining its diversity and reflecting on its boundaries and theoretical potential for further development.

Key topics include the defining features of Islamic feminism, the extent to which it moves beyond Qur’anic hermeneutics, the possibilities for dialogue between Islamic feminism and other feminist movements in both the Global South and North, and the theoretical approaches within Islamic feminism that offer promising insights for Islamic theology.

For registration, please contact danilo.topic@stud.uni-goettingen.de. **Deadline is 10th of November 2024.**



Programme

Friday, 22.11.2024

@ Campus Bockenheim, Neue Mensa K III
Bockenheimer Landstraße 133,
60325 Frankfurt/Main

9:00-9:30 **Welcome address**
Mansoorah Khalilizand, Kata Moser, Abbas Poya

9:30-10:30 **The conflict between Islam and Feminism**
Sedigheh Vasmaghi (Tehran)

Coffee break

10:45-11:45 **Gender Justice or Gender Equality in Islamic Feminism: A Normative Exploration of Anti-essentialism in Philosophy of Religion**
Ravza Altuntaş Çakır (Istanbul)

Coffee break

12:00-13:00 **Translating Feminist Religious Discourse and the Production of Critical Knowledge about Gender Issues in Islam**
Randa Aboubakr (Cairo)

Lunch break

14:00-15:00 **Redefining Islamic Feminism: New Insights and Approaches**
Marzieh Bakhshizadeh (Reutlingen)

Coffee break

15:15-16:15 **Islamic Feminism in Morocco: Beyond Gender Issues, a Source of Emancipation, a Quest for Spirituality or a Form of Resistance?**

Aicha Barkaoui (Casablanca)

Coffee break

16:30-17:30 **Islamic Feminism and Agency: A Critique of White Western Feminism**
Clara Bauer

Dinner

Saturday, 23.11.2024

@ Campus Westend, IG Farben-Haus 457
Norbert-Wollheim-Platz 1, 60323 Frankfurt/Main

9:30-10:30 **Islamic Feminism and Secularism**

Kata Moser (Göttingen)

Coffee break

10:45-11:45 **From Dead End to New Horizons: Feminist Hermeneutics of the Qur'an and Mullā Şadrā's Theory of the Revelation**

Mansoorah Khalilizand (Freiburg)

Coffee break

12:00-13:00 Retrospection and closing discussion, further outlooks (network, publication etc.)

Lunch and farewell

AIWG-Format "Islamic-Theological Colloquia":

Within these smaller events, scholars from various locations have the opportunity to engage with a specific topic and therefore choose the most appropriate discussion format themselves. For more information, visit <https://aiwg.de/forschung/#colloquien>

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