

Freie Universität Berlin

**Department of History and Cultural Studies
Institute of Islamic Studies**

invites applications for a

Junior Professorship in Muslim Culture and Society in South Asia or Southeast Asia

The successful applicant will be required to actively engage in teaching and research in this area.

In line with article 102a of the Berlin Higher Education Act (*Berliner Hochschulgesetz*), the successful candidate will have a Ph.D. reflecting her or his outstanding academic qualification. Previous work in the academic field — both prior and subsequent to the conferral of the doctoral degree — should not exceed a total of six years.

The appointee will hold a doctorate of exceptional quality. She or he must have a background of successful university teaching, preferably in an international context. Candidates are further expected to have a record of publications in internationally renowned journals, as well as experience with externally funded research.

The successful applicant will be required to engage in teaching and research in the field of Muslim Culture and Society in South Asia or Southeast Asia with a historical and/or Social Science orientation. She or he is expected to be actively involved in the *Graduate School Muslim Cultures and Societies* as well as in general instruction at the Institute of Islamic Studies. Participation in interdisciplinary research clusters at Freie Universität Berlin is further indispensable.

Competence in relevant languages is essential, as is the capability to teach in English. In general, the language of instruction will be German, although some teaching may be conducted in English. A non-German-speaking appointee will be expected to be able to teach in German within two years.

The initial contract for this position is for the duration of three years, for which the junior professor will be granted civil servant status with limited tenure (W1). Provided that her or his performance is evaluated positively, the contract will be renewed for three more years.

Freie Universität Berlin is an equal opportunity employer.

Applications quoting the reference ***Islam/Muslim Culture*** must be received at the address below **by January 17th, 2008** and should include a letter of motivation describing your interest in the position and pertinent experience, a curriculum vitae including three relevant references, a list of publications, as well as copies of the certificates of all academic qualifications held.

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