

Freie Universität Berlin

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

invites applications for a

Professorship in Islamic Studies with a Focus on Islamic Law (W2; 5 years)

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

In line with article 100 of the Berlin Higher Education Act (*Berliner Hochschulgesetz*), a *Habilitation*, junior professorship, or equivalent postdoctoral qualification is required for this position.

The successful candidate will have a proven record of university teaching and research, with a strong international background in this field, especially the theory and practice of Islamic Law in the context of society and culture. She or he is further expected to have experience in securing and implementing externally funded research projects.

The appointee will be expected to participate actively in the *Graduate School Muslim Cultures and Societies* and in the teaching program at the Institute of Islamic Studies, including the B.A. program in History and Culture of the Near East. She or he should also be prepared to collaborate with interdisciplinary research clusters based at Freie Universität Berlin.

Competence in relevant languages - in particular Arabic - is essential, as is the capability to teach in German and English. In general, the language of instruction will be German, although some teaching may be conducted in English.

The vacancy is a W2-type position with limited tenure. The appointee will be granted civil servant status for the duration of five years.

Freie Universität Berlin is an equal opportunity employer.

Applications quoting the reference ***Islam/Recht*** 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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