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Symposium in Honour of Nadjma Yassari

3 – 4 July 2025



THURSDAY, 3 JULY 2025

- 16:00 Registration
- 16:15 Welcome by Anne Röthel
- 16:30 Keynote by Nadjma Yassari**
- 17:30 Festive reception
- 19:00 End of festive reception
- 19:00 Conference dinner (panellists only)

FRIDAY, 4 JULY 2025

- 09:30 Welcome by Ralf Michaels
- 09:45 Panel I: 25 Years of Research on Islamic Law at the MPI – Building a Regional Department in a Western Institution**
Chair: *Lena-Maria Möller*
- Panellists**
Nadjma Yassari, Dominik Krell, Kilian Bälz, Karim El Chazli
- 11:15 Coffee break
- 11:45 Panel II: Where Do We Stand? The Current State of Research on Normative Systems in Muslim-Majority Countries**
Chair: *Irene Schneider*
- Panellists**
Mohammad Fadel, Shaheen Sardar Ali, Martin Lau
- 13:15 Lunch

FRIDAY, 4 JULY 2025 (CONTINUED)

- 14:15 Lecture by Dörthe Engelcke:** Christian and Islamic Law in Comparative Perspective: Methodological Challenges and Empirical Insights
- 15:15 Coffee break
- 15:45 Panel III: Reflections on Comparative Law: Insights from Islamic Legal Studies and Perspectives on Methodology and Knowledge Production**
Chair: *Nadjma Yassari*
- Panellists**
Rodrigo Polanco Lazo, Ilaria Pretelli, Gianluca Parolin
- 17:15 Closing discussion

