

**INTERDISZIPLINÄRE FORSCHUNGSSTELLE ISLAM UND MUSLIM\*INNEN IN EUROPA (IFIME)**  
***INTERDISCIPLINARY RESEARCH CENTER ISLAM AND MUSLIMS IN EUROPE (IFIME)***

**Invitation**

**Emel 2021**  
***European Muslim Eco Lab***

**Saturday, December 18, 2021**

**9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.**

**(CET Central European Time)**

**Online**

Climate change is a growing global challenge. Muslim communities have reacted to this and initiated projects for more environmental awareness; research investigates issues of climate change that affect Muslims in different contexts. To promote these developments and to facilitate synergies, the Interdisciplinary Research Center Islam and Muslims in Europe (IFIME) at Sigmund Freud University in Vienna, Austria, is initiating a biennial meeting to present current projects and organizations and to discuss research desiderata. The aim is to promote the exchange of ideas, to publicize new initiatives as well as possible cooperations in scientific projects. The presentations will be summarized in a report (German & English).

Research projects, organizations and theses on environmental issues in Muslim lifeworlds will be presented. The event will be held in German and English. An English translation will be provided.

You will receive the link for the online event in due time.

We kindly ask you to **register until 17.12.2021 at: [f.kowanda-yassin@sfu.ac.at](mailto:f.kowanda-yassin@sfu.ac.at)**

We look forward to welcoming you to this conference.

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<b>Emel 2021 - European Muslim Eco Lab IFIME/SFU Wien Programme</b>
<b>9:00 Opening and Greetings</b>
<p><b>Prof. Dr. Alfred Pritz</b>, Rector, Sigmund Freud PrivatUniversity, Vienna (SFU)  <b>Mag.a Amena Shakir</b>, Director IFIME (SFU Vienna)            Moderation: <b>Dr Ursula Fatima Kowanda-Yassin</b>, IFIME (SFU Vienna)</p>
<b>9:15 – 10:40 Presentations and Discussion</b>
<b>Research Projects</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><i>“The Green Mosque”: A Research Project</i></b>  <b>Dr Ursula Fatima Kowanda-Yassin</b>, post doc researcher at IFIME (SFU Vienna), research focus: Muslim lifeworlds, Islamic environmental ethics and eco-activism.</li> <li>• Discussion</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><i>South African-German Research Hub on Religion and Sustainability (SAGRaS)</i></b>  <b>Dr Ayşe Almıla Akca</b>, Head of the Junior <i>Research Group “Islamic Theology in Context: Science and Society”</i> at the Berlin Institute for Islamic Theology, Humboldt University Berlin  <b>Juliane Stork</b>, researcher and John S. Mbiti research fellow of the Research Programme on Religious Communities and Sustainable Development, Humboldt University Berlin  <b>Indah Harahap</b>, student researcher of the research programme Religious Communities and Sustainable Development (RCSD), Humboldt University Berlin</li> <li>• Discussion</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><i>Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) &amp; Islam</i></b>  <b>Rianne C ten Veen</b>, MA, MSc, fellow at <i>GreenFaith</i>, author, project manager in sustainable development and disaster management projects, researcher of environmental issues, trainer and coach</li> <li>• Discussion</li> </ul>
<p><b><i>The Eco-Islamic Ambivalence of the Modest Fashion Industry</i></b>  <b>Marita Furehaug</b>; MA in Religion and Society from the faculty of theology at the University of Oslo, BA in Arabic from Copenhagen University</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Discussion</li> </ul>
<b>10:40 – 10:55 Break</b>
<b>10:55 – 11:15 Research Projects</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><i>Muslim women leadership and participation towards climate justice</i></b>  <b>Nana Firman</b>, M.Sc. in Urban Design from Pratt Institute, New York, Senior Ambassador for GreenFaith, involved in the Islamic Society of North America's Green Masjid Project, do-organization of the Islamic Declaration on Global Climate Change, Co-founder of the Global Muslim Climate Network. Nana was named as the White House Champion of Change for Climate Faith Leaders by the U.S. President Barack Obama and received the Alfredo Sirkis Memorial Green Ring Award for climate activism excellence from the former U.S. Vice President Al Gore.</li> <li>• Discussion</li> </ul>

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<b>10:55 – 12:00 Theses</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><i>The Importance of Islamic Environmental Ethics in the 21st Century</i></b> <b>Havva Erel-Akinci</b>, M.A. in Islamic Studies at the Goethe University, Frankfurt am Main, advisor to the Mosque Forum in Cologne for Social and Public Relations Work</li> <li>• Discussion</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><i>'Green Islam' in Indonesia: A Preliminary Mapping on Green Initiatives among Pesantren Community</i></b> <b>Mohammad Hasan Basri</b>, PhD student at the School of Social Sciences Western Sydney University, Australia. Research interests: Religion and Disaster, Religion and Ecology, Pesantren and the Environment and Muslim Environmentalisms</li> <li>• Discussion</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><i>Ecological Ethics and Sustainable Development in the Context of Islamic Theology and Religious Education - Foundations for Environmental Pedagogy in Islamic Religious Learning</i></b> <b>Amina Boumaaiz M.A.</b>, research assistant at the University of Münster in the project "Environmental Education for Islamic Religious learning" at the Center for Islamic Theology, doctoral studies at the University of Tübingen, Germany</li> <li>• Discussion</li> </ul>
<b>12:00 – 12:10 Break</b>
<b>12:10 – 13:30 Organizations and Projects</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><i>Waqf Financing for Sustainable Development: A South African Perspective</i></b> <b>Dr. Gaathier Mahed</b>, Senior Lecturer in the Department of Geosciences at the Nelson Mandela University in Port Elizabeth, South Africa</li> <li>• Discussion</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><i>The making and message of al-Mizan. A Covenant for the Earth</i></b> <b>Prof. Ibrahim Özdemir</b>, Professor of Philosophy, Uskudar University, Istanbul, Turkey, Core Member of the <i>Al-Mizan</i> Team, Founding President of Hasan Kalyoncu University in Turkey, Professor of Islamic Philosophy at Abo Akademi University, Finland, founder of the recently established Forum on Islamic Environmental Ethics.</li> <li>• Discussion</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><i>Islamic Environmental Ethic in Action</i></b> <b>Mark Bryant</b>, MA, Senior Consultant, IFEEES/Eco-Islam, Development Officer, Islam UK Centre, Great Britain</li> <li>• Discussion</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><i>From Knowledge to Trade. Green Iftar as an Example of Successful (Environmental) Communication</i></b> <b>Esra Doğanay</b>, M.Sc., NourEnergy</li> <li>• Discussion</li> </ul>
<b>13:30 – 14:00 Discussion, Summary and outlook</b>