

Preliminary Program Conference **“Islamic family law in modern Europe and the Muslim world.
Normative, legal and empirical approaches beyond the women’s rights issue”**

19-21 June 2013

	19-6	20-6	21-6
9.00-10.30	Opening (10.00)		Islamic Family law in a post-revolutionary setting
11.00-12.30	keynote speeches	Norms in Islamic and European Family Law (Starts 10.30!)	Getting Married or Divorced
12.30-14.00	Lunch	Lunch (12.00)	Lunch
14.00-15.30	Debating Islamic Family Law	Studying the courts – jurisprudence and interactions in court (starts 13.30)	Forward Look Plenary Discussion: Integrating approaches to Islamic family law
16.00-17.30	Legal Pluralism/PIL	Lady Judges of Pakistan (film session)	

Wednesday 19 June

Time	Session	Participants	Paper Title
10.00	Opening		
10.30-12.30	Keynote Speeches	Ziba Mir-Hosseini	<i>Gender Equality and Muslim Family Laws: Between Politics and Theology</i>
		Prakash Shah	<i>Distorting minority laws? Religious diversity and European legal systems</i>
		Lynn Welchman	<i>Legal Perspectives and Islamic Family Law: Things In The Mix</i>
12.30-14.00	Lunch		
14.00-15.30	Debating Islamic Family Law	Mohamad Abdun Nasir	<i>Validity and Legality in Islamic Law: Contesting Triple Divorce in Lombok, Indonesia.</i>
	Chair: Pauline Kruiniger		
	Discussant: Susan Rutten	Dana Fennert	<i>Islamic feminism vs. the pro-family movement</i>
		Iris Sportel	<i>Dutch and Moroccan family law reforms on child custody and rights to contact: perspectives on parenthood and child care after divorce</i>
16.00-17.30	Legal Pluralism/PIL	Esther van Eijk	<i>Pluralistic Family Law in Syria: Bane or Blessing</i>
	Chair: Prakash Shah	Alberto Neidhardt	<i>Transnational Family Disputes in a Post-national Era. Private international law and the management of conflicts between Islamic law and European family law traditions</i>
	Discussant: Roger Ballard		

Thursday 20 June

Time	Session	Participants	Paper Title
10.30-12.00	Norms in Islamic and European Family Law	Zainab Alwani	<i>Family in Islam: Critical Perspectives on Religious-Legal Context, Ethics and Cultural Diversity</i>
	Chair: Susanne Dahlgren	Roger Ballard	<i>'Urf and Riway: the customary basis of Muslim family life</i>
	Discussant: Marie-Claire Foblets		
12.00	Lunch		
13.30-15.30	Studying the courts – jurisprudence and interactions in court	Rajnaara C. Akhtar	<i>British Muslims, faith based ADR mechanisms and the state</i>
		Lamy Badri	<i>Shifting Gender Relations at the Local Level in East Sudan: Women Rejecting the Decision of Traditional Courts</i>
		Susanne Dahlgren	<i>The Role of the Judge in Making Gender: Family Disputes from Adeni Courts</i>
		Euis Nurlaelawati	<i>Women's Fate and judges' legal interpretation in Indonesian Religious Courts</i>
16.00-17.30	Lady Judges of Pakistan (film session)	Livia Holden	Chair: Betty de Hart Discussants: Ziba Mir-Hosseini and Nadia Sonneveld

Friday June 21

Time	Session	Participants	Paper Title
09.00-10.30	Islamic Family law in a post-revolutionary setting	Monika Lindbekk	<i>A Revolution in Egyptian Family Law?</i>
		Irina Molodikova	<i>North Caucasus in modern time: traditions vs. Sharia Law</i>
		Nadia Sonneveld	<i>From the Liberation of Women to the Liberation of Men: A Century of Personal Status Law Reform in Egypt</i>
		Chair: Lynn Welchman	
	Discussant: Euis Nurlaelawati		
11.00-12.30	Getting Married or Divorced	Mulki Al-Sharmani	<i>Love and Other Things. Discourses on Marriage, Relationships, and Family Law in Egypt</i>
		Raquel Carvalheira	<i>Conjugality in Morocco: Women's expectations and everyday mismatches</i>
		Annelies Moors	<i>Non-state registered Islamic marriages in the Netherlands and the Middle East</i>
		Chair: Esther van Eijk	
	Discussant: Iris Sportel		
12.30-14.00	Lunch		
14.00-15.00	Forward Look Plenary Discussion: Integrating approaches to Islamic family law	Marie-Claire Foblets	
		Léon Buskens	
		Mulki Al-Sharmani	
		Chair: Betty de Hart	