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Student Research Assistant

“Islamic Pathways of Reform: the Reception of Ibn Taymiyya between the xvi-xviii centuries”

(15 hours per month)

Applications are invited for the post of Student Research Assistant on the DFG funded project “Islamic Pathways of Reform: the Reception of Ibn Taymiyya between the xvi-xviii centuries”. The successful candidate will work under the direction of Dr. Caterina Bori, Principal Investigator on the project. The aim of the project is to make a major contribution to the knowledge of the social, religious and political channels in which the famous and controversial anbalī jurist, theologian and activist, Ibn Taymiyya (d. 1328), was debated, and ideas associated to him circulated in the Ottoman provinces of Bilād al-Shām, Egypt and Baghdad between the 16th and the early 18th century, within the framework of traditionalist-orientated religious reform movements.

The post is available from 1st of May and will be for a period of six months. For an informal discussion about the post, please contact Dr Caterina Bori on catebori@tiscali.it.

The successful candidate will have an excellent command of English and German, and good reading skills of French. Reading skills of classical Arabic are an asset. Experience with searching library catalogues is required. A student of Islamic Studies, or Islamic History would be ideal.

Duties include: catalogue search, compilation of thematic bibliographies, summaries of texts, books fetching, scanning and photocopying, as well as eventual assistance in administrative matters.

A CV in English should be sent by the 21th of March to zmo@rz.hu-berlin.de. Interviews will be held at the Zentrum Moderner Orient on the 24th or 25th of March.