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# Research on the leisure activities of Muslim associations in Germany and Austria

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## Abstract

The study deals with the leisure-oriented function of Muslim organizations in Germany and Austria. Leisure time activities are a research topic that is associated not only with organized Muslims. Other included participants are individualized and cultural Muslims. The leisure-oriented activities of these organizations also impact persons from non-Muslim societies. The study is based on a critical reflection of expert discussion, non-participant observations conducted during field research, analysis of photo documentation obtained by the researcher, descriptions of the visited locations, and the self-presentation of communities. The leisure-oriented function is interrelated with other activities of the associations. Primarily, it impacts the organization's educational, social, and economic activities. Multifunctional halls, seminar rooms, libraries and tea rooms are used for leisure activities.

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