



## Senior Researcher Position (Kennziffer 303/2020)

initially limited to three years – fulltime - foreseen salary group TV-L E 13

At the **Faculty of History, Arts and Oriental Studies**, Institute for the Study of Religions, the above position is to be filled from April 1, 2021, subject to the availability of funds. The employment takes place within the DFG funded project “Piety and Secularity Contested: Family and Youth Politics in post-Kemalist ‘New Turkey’.”

In two interrelated subprojects, the research project examines the effects of current political transformations in Turkey on the domains of family and youth. Special attention will be paid to the changes in these domains as pushed forward under the government of the “Justice and Development Party” (AKP). In this context, both the religious-political vision on which these changes are based and their resonance in different social milieus of Turkish society will be examined.

Methodologically, the project is based on (1) the analysis of AKP discourses in relation to the domains of family and youth as well as public discussions about these discourses; (2) focus group interviews with NGOs; and (3) milieu-specific group discussions with residents of selected neighborhoods.

### Tasks

The researcher should carry out the sub-project on youth policy and should participate in the supervision and guidance of the doctoral student working on the project. In addition, he/she is expected to play an active role in the detailed planning, implementation, and evaluation of the project, in the organization of topic-specific workshops and scientific cooperations, as well as in the publications of the project.

Pursuit of an additional scientific qualification (habilitation) is possible but not a prerequisite.

### Requirements

- completed academic degree and above-average doctorate in a humanities or social science discipline
- research experience and publications in the fields of youth and family politics, as well as religion and politics (related to Turkey)
- documented experience in the application and evaluation of qualitative and text analytical methods (especially discourse analysis, focus group interviews, group discussions)
- documented research experience in Turkey and willingness to conduct fieldwork in Turkey
- excellent Turkish and very good English skills
- above-average communication, networking, and organizational skills
- familiarity with Grounded Theory and related qualitative research methods, as well as with the academic debate on secularity and secularism are desired

Please send your **application** with the usual documents including a list of publications and a description of current research interests in one PDF file to [rwtuerkei@uni-leipzig.de](mailto:rwtuerkei@uni-leipzig.de)

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Deadline for this application is **October 10, 2020**. Severely disabled persons are invited to apply and will be given preferential consideration if they are equally suitable.

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