

Title: Arranging Muslim Religiosity and Occupational Activity in Daily Life. Professional Biographies of Women in France and Germany

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Abstract: This study focuses on the subject of conduct of life among Muslim women, from the second generation of migrants, and health and social professionals in France and Germany. Our starting point was the observation of a tension between women's professional activity and Muslim religiosity. We analysed how this relationship of tension occurs in biographies and how the conduct of life establishes a compatibility between religion and work. By comparing six contrasting cases drawing on a reconstructive methodology (objective hermeneutics) we identified three types: "life conduct with a fusion of spheres", "life conduct with a separation of spheres" and "life conduct with flexible boundaries between spheres". This thesis shows different forms of reconciliation between religion and work and is therefore a contribution to the scientific discourse on the integration of women of Muslim origin into the labour market.