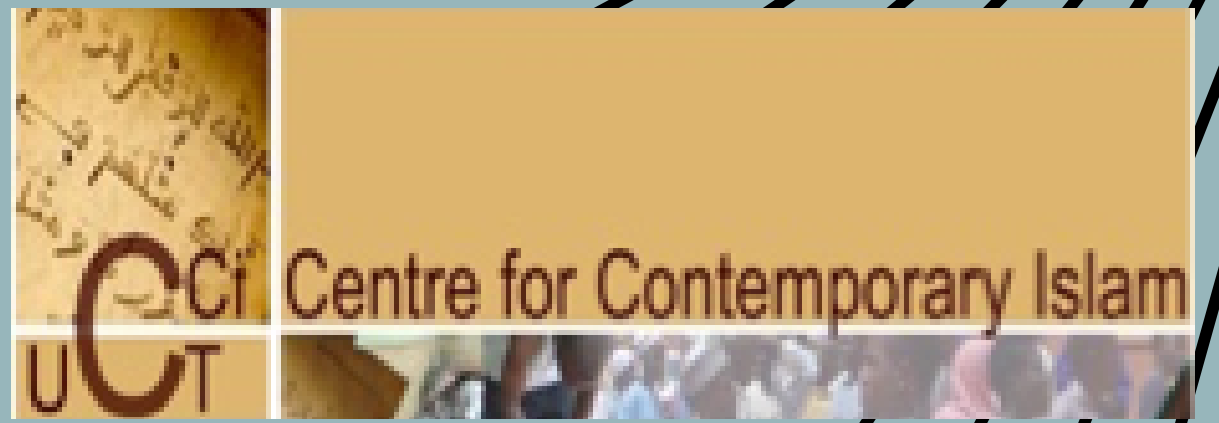


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## SEMINAR

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Karoline Becker is a doctoral student in International Development at the University of Oxford and a visiting doctoral fellow at HUMA-Institute for Humanities in Africa. Before that she was a visiting scholar at the AGI/AFS. Her research focuses on conceptions of 'women's empowerment' in the context of motherhood in Southern Malawi. She studies if and how intrinsic ideas of empowerment and motherhood of Malawian women are reflected and approached in development practice



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Shafeeka Moos is a South African, Muslim social worker with a background in the gender-based violence (GBV) sector. Her research interest is the dialectic between gender politics and Islamic traditions. Her work focuses on the discursive construction of gender, ethical and religious subjectivity at the intersection of race, class and sexuality. In her current research, she explores South African Muslim mothers' constructions of maternal identity in relation to their Islamic faith tradition within their contemporary social contexts. She is currently a post-doctoral fellow in the Department for the Study of Religions, University of Cape Town.



Feranaaz Farista

Feranaaz Farista is an Organisational Psychology lecturer and supervisor in the School of Management Studies, UCT. She is currently pursuing her Doctorate in Organisational Psychology and is a member of UCT's Accelerated Transformation of the Academic Programme (ATAP). Feranaaz is also a registered Industrial Psychologist with the Health Professions Council of South Africa (HPCSA) and has experience in psychometric assessments, career coaching and organisational wellness. Her expertise and passion converge in her research, which centres on the intricate experiences of Muslim mothers as they navigate the dual roles of breastfeeding and paid employment, shedding light on the complex intersections of identity, culture, and workplace dynamics.