# Summer School on the Economics of Family and Succession Law Hamburg, August 5 – September 9, 2020

**Economics of Family and Succession Law (23. August- 31. August)** 

## Part 1:

# **Economics of Family Law in Muslim Societies (Dr. Nora Alim)**

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Nora Alim holds the Legal State Examination from Germany, an LL.M. in International and Comparative Law from the American University in Cairo, Egypt and a Ph.D. in Law from the University of Hamburg (2017). She is a former Research Associate at the Max Planck Institute for Comparative and International Private Law in Hamburg, Germany (2009-2013) and worked as a legal consultant for a OECD project on "Women's Economic Empowerment in Selected MENA Countries" (2014-2019). Nora Alim is the head of legal department at the German-Arab Chamber of Commerce in Cairo. She is the co-author of *Between procedure and substance – A review of law making in Egypt* (in: Yassari, N. (ed.), Changing God's Law – The dynamics of Middle Eastern family law, Routledge, London/ New York 2016, 113-130).

#### **Course Content:**

**Lecture 1:** Overview of Muslim Family Law

Lecture 2: Legal reform in Egypt

**Lecture 3:** Egyptian Contemporary Family Law

Lecture 4: Strategic decisions taken in the context of Muslim Family Law & Economics

**Zoom Meeting:** will take place after the end of the online course (exact date and time: tbc by the program coordinator)

### **List of Readings:**

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- Farah, Nadia Ramsis, *Egypt's Political Economy Power Relations in Development*, AUC Press 2009, 3, 123.
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