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# AFTERNOON TALKS ON ISLAMIC LAW

*Prof. Dr. Susan Rutten*

Maastricht University, Faculty of Law

"Family Law Research at the Intersection of Islamic  
and European Normative Orders"

Thursday, 2 November 2017 – 4 pm

Conference Room 1, 1st floor

All employees and guests of the institute as well as  
other interested parties are cordially invited to the lecture.

Nadjma Yassari

### About the Speaker:

Prof. Susan Rutten (1960) is extraordinary Professor of Islamic Family Law in a European Context at Maastricht University, Faculty of Law (the Netherlands). She has developed long-term research expertise in the area of Islamic Family Law and family issues amongst ethnic and religious minorities in the Netherlands and Europe. She regularly supervises theses in this field. She wrote her own PhD thesis in 1997 on the application of Moroccan law of inheritance in the Netherlands. She is the chair of the Association for the Study of Islamic Law and Law of the Middle East (RIMO), member of the State Committee for Private International Law, and acts as a substitute Judge at the Court of Appeal in 's-Hertogenbosch.

### About the Topic:

Based on some concrete research findings, the question will be discussed how European legal orders can manage the coincidence of two normative orders (the foreign and the European, respectively the secular and the religious) if the person concerned calls on both.