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lecture

Evangelical networks in Maghreb.

From a faith to another

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by

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Karima DIRECHE is the author of four books and over thirty scientific articles; One of hers areas of expertise is the history of religious and linguistic minorities in the colonial and postcolonial Algeria but her field of study also includes Morocco and Tunisia.

She taught at the EHESS in Paris and at the University of Provence and chaired studies at the Rabat Institute of Political Science, in Morocco.

She is currently working on two socio-religious history themes:

- The neo-evangelical conversions in the Maghreb region and the political and religious controversies that result.

- Jewish memory in Algeria today.

Theme

« The conversion to neo-evangelicalism in Muslim environment imposes to challenge basic and sometimes radical issues from the former environment of religious affiliation. How does this distance grow and set up? How the new converts assert their new faith within their family and work space?

Based on the life and conversion stories collected over the past five years, this reflection will illustrate the resources of neo-evangelical conversion in Arab-Berber community and related speeches, practices, compromises as well as social and political issues. »

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