## **CALL FOR PAPERS** – Special Issue of the journal *Religions* on 'Leadership, Authority and Representation in British Muslim Communities'.

This special issue of the peer-review journal '*Religions*' explores the myriad ways in which British Muslims exercise leadership in a range of sectors. As such, we welcome the submission of articles that explore how leadership roles are changing in relation to the broader development of British Muslim communities and organisations, alongside changes in British society more generally. We interpret 'leadership' broadly, but are especially interested in the work of salaried 'Muslim religious professionals', by which we mean those who derive their livelihood from their employment as imams, chaplains, Muslim youth workers, and so on. The work of those employed to train these leaders is also of interest. Submissions might also address some of the following questions:

• Where does leadership arise within a decentralised religious tradition lacking a priestly hierarchy?

• How do government discourses and media representations impact upon dynamics of leadership and authority in British Muslim communities?

- How is authority constructed and exercised in an age of mass media and the internet?
- What internal and external factors shape leadership structures and modalities of representation for British Muslims living as a minority in a culturally Christian but largely secular social context?

For further details and submission information see: <u>https://www.mdpi.com/journal/religions/special\_issues/bmc</u>

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