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### [The Government should be wary of its review on sharia 'law'](#)

Posted: Wed, 07 Feb 2018 by [Sadikur Rahman](#)

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*Our legal system cannot be permitted to fracture into parallel codes for different religious groups. Sadikur Rahman writes on how to avoid accommodation with sharia while also protecting the rights and interests of Muslim women.*

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### [Protecting women's rights is the priority, but that isn't the only legitimate concern about sharia](#)

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*Gender inequality isn't the only problem with sharia councils, and non-Muslims have every right to object to the foundation of a parallel legal system in the UK, writes Benjamin Jones.*

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### [Sharia, security and the church: dangers of the British Home Office inquiry](#)

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## [Law Society, religion and the law: reasons to be cheerful](#)

Posted: Tue, 23 Dec 2014 by [Sadikur Rahman](#)

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When in March this year I wrote a [humble blog piece](#) criticising the Law... [Read More »](#)

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## ['Shariafication by stealth' in the UK](#)

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*The state's adoption of 'faith based' approaches to address minority issues are increasingly marginalising women from minority backgrounds and denying them the right to participate in the wider political community as equal citizens, argues Pragna Patel.*

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## [Why is the Law Society promoting Islamic rules and legal services?](#)

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*After attending a seminar held by the Law Society on Islamic rules and legal services, **Sadikur Rahman** reflects upon the Society's desire to develop its members' knowledge of sharia law in the UK and questions how this contributes to Muslim people's freedoms.... [Read More »](#)*

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## [The Law Society should stay out of the theology business](#)

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## [Sharia law is well and truly operating in the UK – thanks to the Law Society](#)

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It was with incredulity that I saw [this practice note ... Read More »](#)

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## [We need answers to the doubts and distrust raised by the call for sharia law](#)

Posted: Fri, 10 May 2013 by [Kris Hopkins MP](#)

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## [Sharia councils: unjust, unequal and consequence of failed integration policies](#)

Posted: Wed, 01 May 2013 by [Nahla Mahmoud](#)

**By Nahla Mahmoud**

Personally, I wasn't surprised watching the Panorama on '[Secrets of Sharia Councils in the UK](#)' broadcast on the BBC last week. I am aware of these dangerous practices by similar courts adopting the same Islamic constitution elsewhere... [Read More »](#)

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## [Saudi religious police aren't funny](#)

Posted: Wed, 17 Apr 2013 by [Terry Sanderson](#)

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In Saudi Arabia, where religious mania seems to be... [Read More »](#)

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## **Muslim patrols are a sign of things to come**

Posted: Thu, 31 Jan 2013 by [Maajid Nawaz](#)

*By Maajid Nawaz*

On the streets of Greece supporters of the far-Right Golden Dawn party patrol neighbourhoods, attacking anyone who looks like an immigrant. In Denmark a group calling itself Call to Islam has declared parts of the country to be "sharia-controlled... [Read More »](#)

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## **Public protest against Saudi sexism in London**

Posted: Mon, 23 Apr 2012 by Faiza Ahmad

The Muslim Educational Centre of Oxford have organised public protest against Saudi sexism in London following official confirmation by Saudi Arabia that it will be sending an exclusively male team to the London Olympics.

Here is the announcement from the Muslim... [Read More »](#)

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## **Child brides and licensed rape**

Posted: Tue, 03 Apr 2012 by [Tessa Kendall](#)

Women in the UK are being forced to get married with threats and violence. Children under the legal age of consent for marriage or sex are also being forced to marry - and most of them are girls.

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## **The Rise of Sharia in the West**

Posted: Mon, 26 Mar 2012 by [Raheel Raza](#)

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