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Young Muslims in German Prisons

Opportunities and Challenges for a successful
integration



Pilot study: Muslims in Prison in Baden-Wuerttemberg, Germany

Survey on Muslims in prison system in the federal state Baden-Wuerttemberg (BW)

Results:

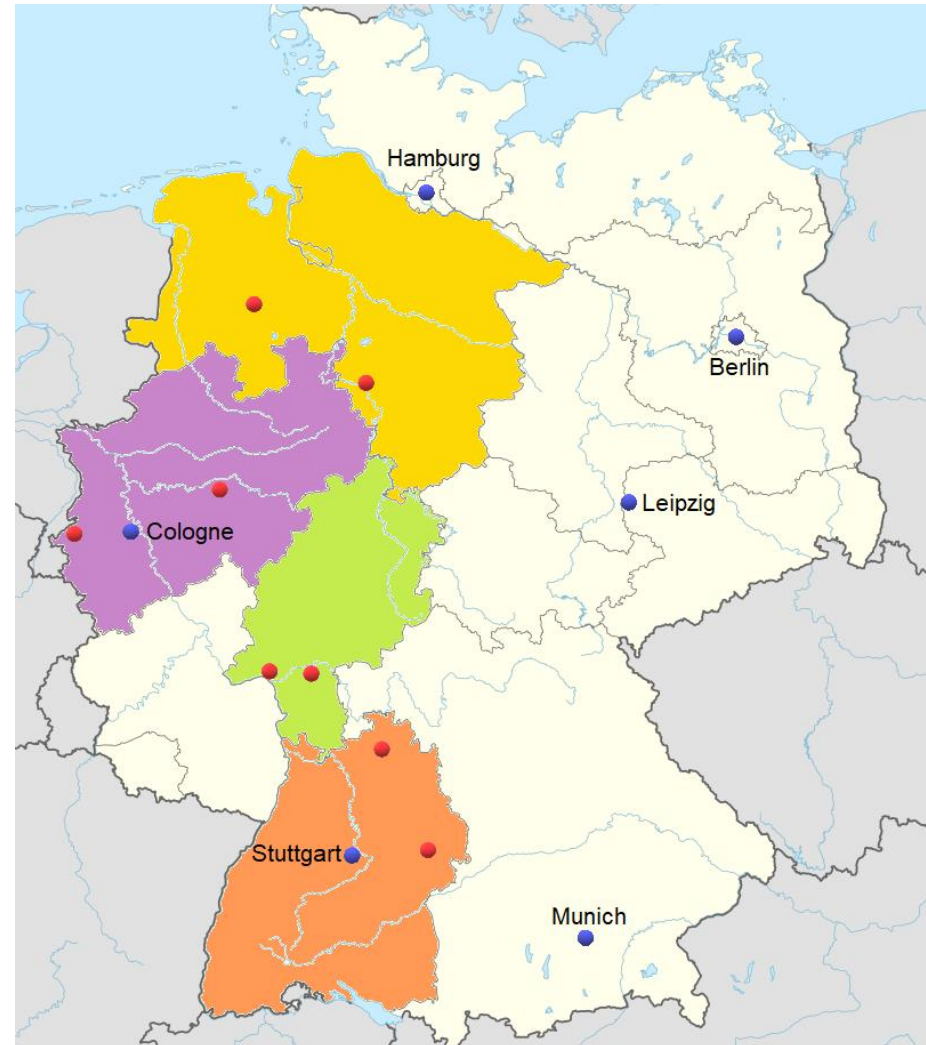
- 24% of Islamic faith in average over all prisons in BW (of a total of around 7000 inmates)
- No knowledge about denominations (Sunni, Shite, Alevite, ...)
- No standard regulations about practicing of Islamic faith
- No sufficient religious counselling for Muslim inmates
- High percentage of inmates of Islamic faith in juvenile prisons



Young Muslims in Prison

Survey in four West German federal states

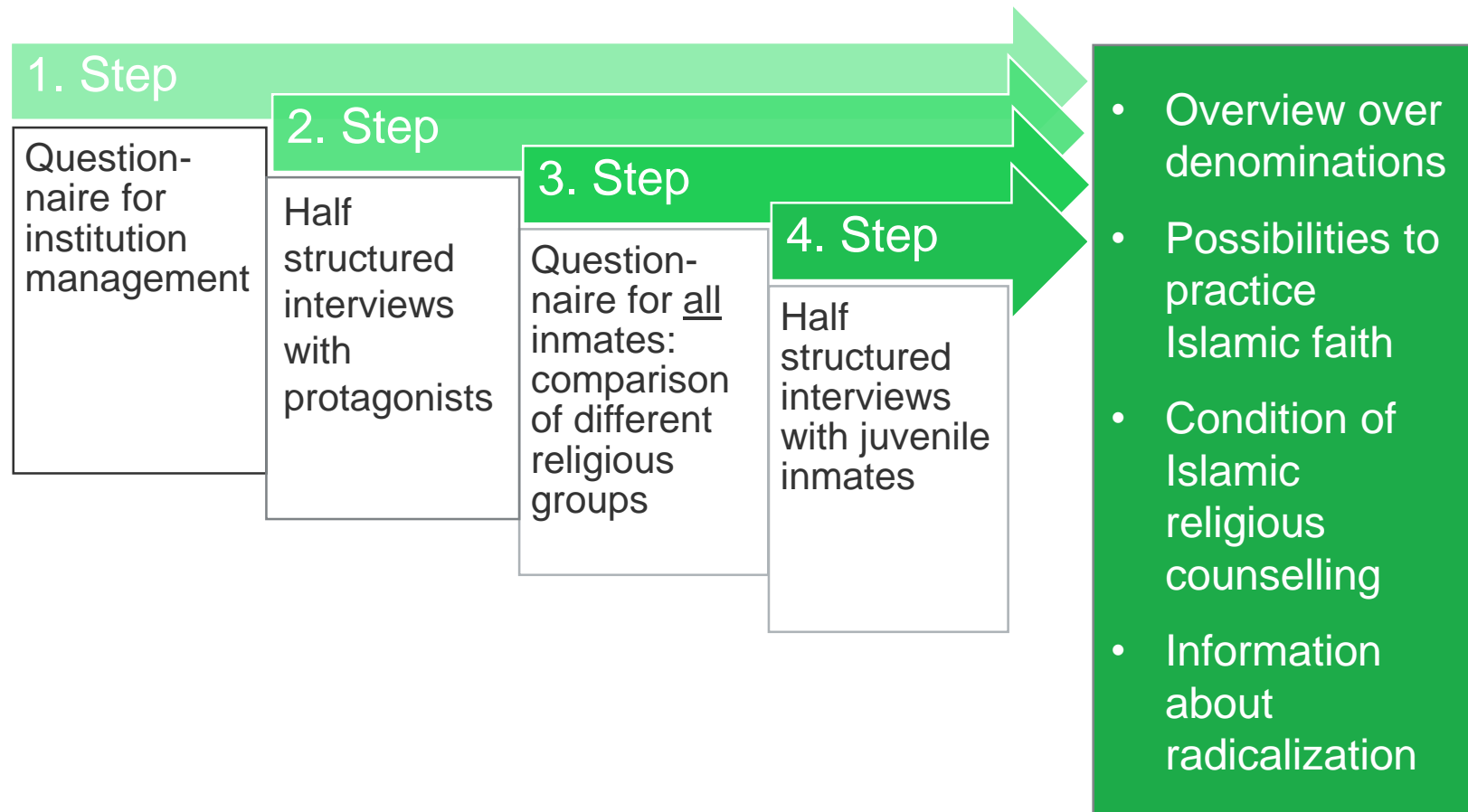
- Higher percentage of Muslims in all-over population
- One for female and one for male inmates per federal state



● juvenile prisons included in the study

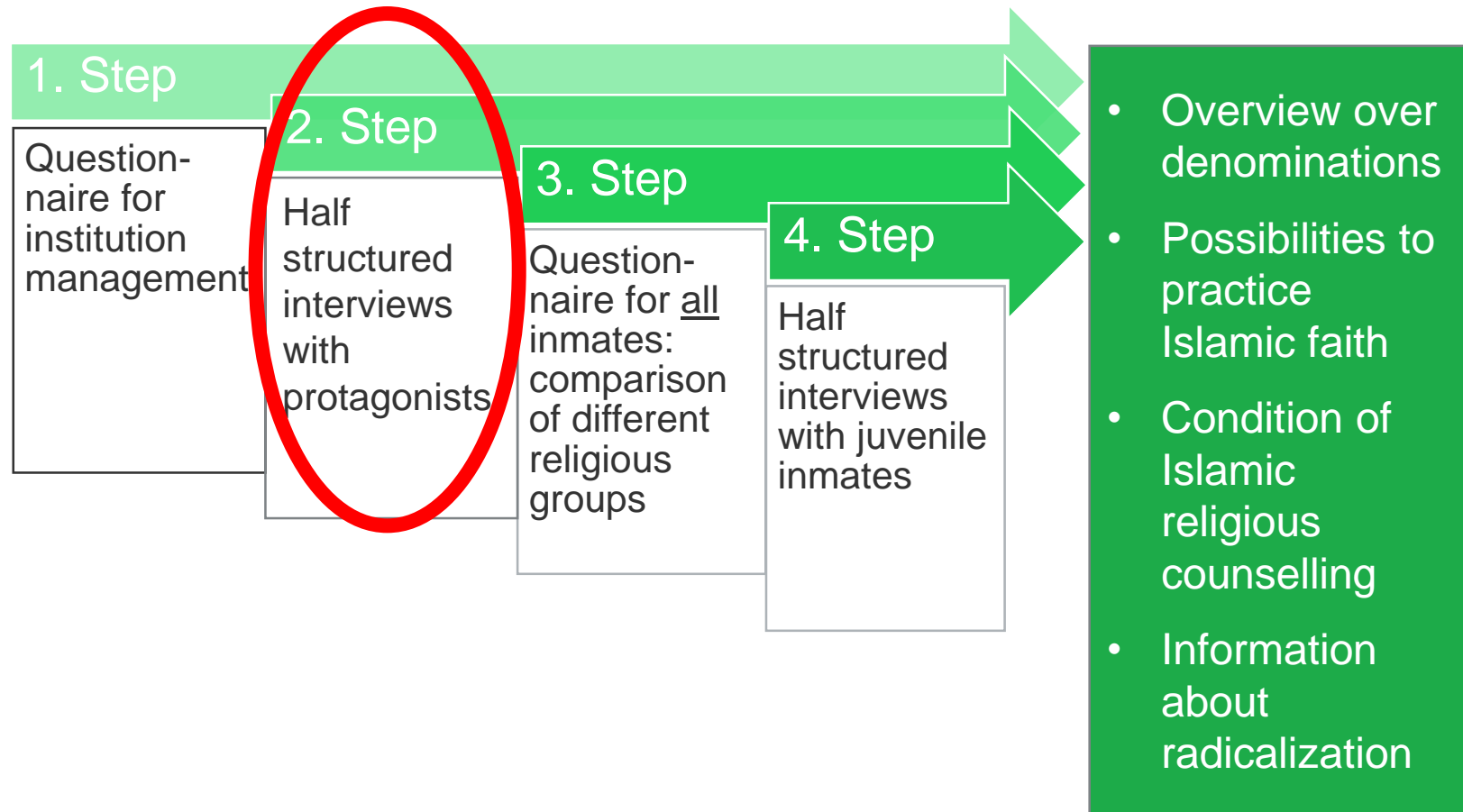


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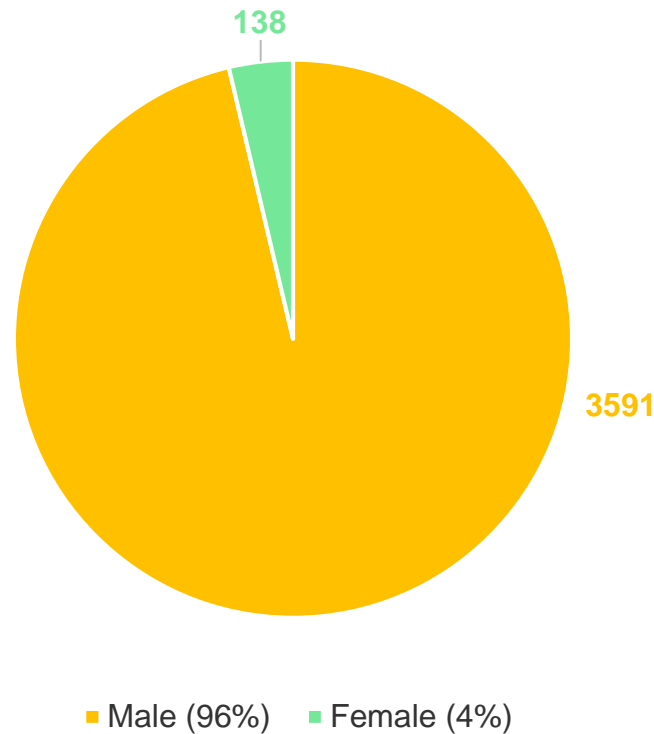
Current State of Research





Relation female and male inmates in youth prisons

Inmates in youth prisons (all Germany)





Preliminary Results

- Differences between female and male juvenile prisons
 - Female
 - small number of inmates: maximum 65
 - small number of Muslim female inmates
 - mainly German
 - Male
 - bigger number of inmates: around 320
 - between 30% and 43% Muslim inmates
 - mainly Turkish, Morocco/Maghreb, Syria
- Differences between religious counselling within different religions
 - Higher presence of Christian religious counsellors, although Muslims are biggest religious group for years



Thank you.

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