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Bio and Research Statement

Julia Martínez-Ariño received her PhD in Sociology from the Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona (Spain) in 2012 with her work on the contemporary Jewish communities of Catalonia. Before joining the *Religion and Diversity Project* in January 2014, she was postdoctoral fellow at the Max Planck Institute for the Study of Religious and Ethnic Diversity (Göttingen, Germany). Between 2007 and 2013 she worked as a doctoral student and researcher at the research unit ISOR (Research in Sociology of Religion) at the Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona. She has been visiting scholar at the Universität Wien (Austria) and at the École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales (Paris).

Her main research interests are the contemporary Jewish communities and the accommodation of religious diversity in public institutions. For her PhD she analyzed the identity construction and transmission and the institutional dynamics of the Jewish communities in the city of Barcelona. In the last years, she has conducted research in the processes of demonopolization and accommodation of religious diversity in public institutions in Spain. Between 2011 and 2013 she was fieldwork coordinator in the project "GEDIVER-IN. The management of religious diversity in hospitals and prisons in Spain", funded by the Spanish Ministry of Science and Innovation. She has also participated as a researcher in the project "Public space and religious diversity: which role for the local authorities?", funded by the Catalan Government. As part of the *Religion and Diversity Project* she will explore the developments around education and religion in Québec.