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Religious Milieus and Social Welfare: Early Findings about Long-Term Care in Taiwan

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本次演講將介紹臺灣社會面臨的嚴重長期照護危機,以及宗教界對此有何不同反應。安教授在介紹並衡量宗教界對政策制定的影響,以及其方法論挑戰之後,將特別關注與天主教、基督教、伊斯蘭教和佛教等相關的慈善機構,以及它們在關懷鏈兩端的具體貢獻。雖然佛教界似乎願意透過制度化的長期照護提供支持,但其他宗教界也關注家庭看護工的福利,特別是那些移工和外來的宗教信仰者。安教授將提出這樣的假設:道教傳統和民間信仰的宗教團體對照護經濟的參與度較弱,可歸因於它們的制度化程度有限。然而,這些其他宗教的分散性反而促進了以家庭為基礎的長期照護方法的發展,臺灣許多家庭寧可使用這種方法,而政府出於財政原因也支持這種做法。

My talk will present the acute long-term care crisis faced by Taiwanese society and how differently its religious milieus have responded to it. After introducing the methodological challenges of measuring the influence of religious circles on policy development, I will focus in particular on charitable associations associated with Catholicism, Christianity, Islam and Buddhism, and their specific contributions at both ends of the care chain. While the Buddhist milieu seems willing to provide support through institutionalized long-term care, the other religious milieus are also concerned by the welfare of caregivers, especially those among them who are migrants and who are identified with a minority religion. I will advance the hypothesis that the weaker participation in the care economy by

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the religious milieus of the Daoist traditions and popular beliefs can be attributed to their limited institutionalization. However, the diffused nature of these other religions has encouraged the development of the family-based approach to long-term care that many households in Taiwan prefer and that the government supports for fiscal reasons.

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