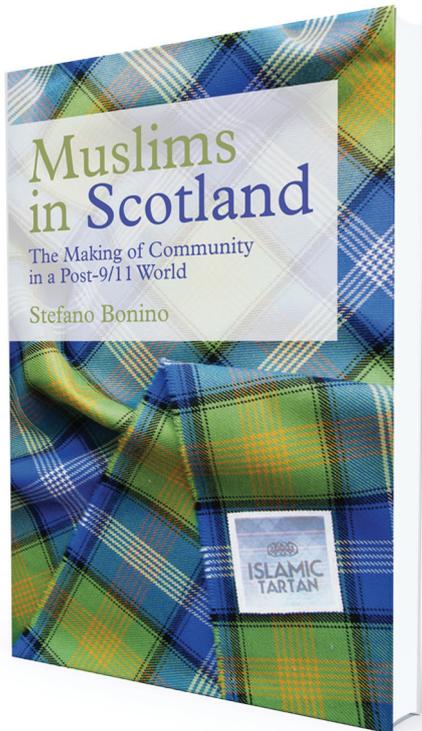


Muslims in Scotland

The Making of Community in a Post-9/11 World

By Stefano Bonino



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