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This bimonthly newsletter presents the most recent developments in the fields of Islamic epistemology and educational curriculum reform summarized from books, journals, websites, interviews, and academic proceedings (conferences, seminars, and workshops). We also accept original contributions of less than 500 words.

Social Sustainability from an Islamic Perspective

By Dr. Salih Mohamed Harun Assistant Professor at the University of Juba - South Sudan

Socially, human beings are created in nature that consist of both male and female, tribes, and nations to get to know each other. But in Islam, the best among the pious of Allah's creatures is the most faithful person.



This is the principle of the Islamic social construct that involves human relationship with the environment. Socially, Islam develops the Muslim personality gradually from an individual is embodied in the teaching of Islamic personal law (فقه العبادات) which involves the family institutions under the purview of Islamic family law (الأئكة), the other one is what we call Islamic commercial laws (فقه المعاملات) which govern human economic interactions. Islam prescribes punishment for wrongdoings committed by individuals or families under the purview of Islamic criminal law, which means that Islam educates its followers spiritually in practice. This relates to faith where in practice and the term practice here means that Muslims are governed by five tenets of Islam which start with the pronouncement of the Islamic pledge (*shahadah*), the five times prayers, Charity, fasting, and pilgrimage.

In addition, Islam propagates the concept of

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Valedictory Address on Dr. Nejatullah Siddiqi - 1

Presented at the 2-day International Conference on 'Contributions of Prof M. Nejatullah Siddiqi in Islamic Economics' on April 27-28, 2024, by Professor Omar Hasan Kasule MB ChB (MUK), MPH (Harvard), DrPH (Harvard). Chairman of the Research Ethics Committee at King Abdullah bin Abdulaziz Hospital Riyadh.

Dr. Nejatullah as an Imaam of Islamic Economics:

It is a pleasure to talk in this forum about a great scholar in Islamic economics Dr Nejatullah Siddiqi. Born in 1931 and educated at the premier Aligarh Muslim University in India which is responsible for producing many Muslim scholars and professionals serving worldwide. He wrote many books and articles and taught many economists Muslim and non-Muslim. He deserves the title of *Imaam* in Islamic economics because like the *Imaams* of the *fiqh*, hadith, and tafsir disciplines he taught and trained many students who have gone on to expand and develop his ideas, taught, and spread them and eventually put them in practice by building economic institutions and programs based on those ideas. We can therefore recognize the Nejatullah School of Islamic Economics as a distinct school that is still developing and growing.



Writings of Imaam Nejatullah

The beginnings of the Nejatullah school can be traced to his first Urdu book in the 1960s that planted the seed of banking and investment based on profit and loss sharing (PLS) as an alternative to *riba*-based transactions. The book was translated and reprinted in 1973, 1980, and 1983 and has had a great impact. Dr Nejatullah went on to write many other books and papers. According to my incomplete listing, *Imaam* Nejatullah has written 17 books and 44 papers/presentations. Most of his work was based on applications of *fiqh al mu'amalat* to contemporary economic problems but he also called for more research on the basic themes that he presented in his writings and called for a fresh and new look at the Qur'an and *sunnat* as sources of knowledge

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including the *maqasidi ijtihad*. In his education and work, he was a pioneer in integrating *ilm naqli* (transmitted knowledge) and *ilm aqli* (rational knowledge) in the field of economics. ❖ To be continued...

Annual International Conference of Islamic Economics and Finance

AICIEF 2024
Annual International Conference of Islamic Economics and Finance
Theme: WAQF in Adapting Global Change

Opening Speech **Keynote Speaker** **Invited Speaker** **Moderator**

SUB THEME

- ✓ Digitalisation of Money Waqf as Syariah Economic Foundation
- ✓ International Waqf and Best Practices Program
- ✓ Waqf Investment and Beneficiaries (Money Waqf and Waqf Productive)
- ✓ Waqf as an Instrument for Sustainable Development

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- ✓ Proceeding in Risaalah Iqtisadiyah: Journal of Sharia Economics (Indexed in Google Scholar, Index Copernicus International, World Cat, Crossref, One Search, Dimension, Base)
- ✓ E-Book Abstract

IMPORTANT DATE

- March 25th - May 22nd: Open Submission
- May 22nd: Full Paper Submission Deadline
- May 27th: Acceptance Notification
- May 28th - June 3rd: Registration and Payment Deadline
- June 10th: Online Conference Date

Registration Link: bit.ly/aicief24general

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Muslim Talk INTERNATIONAL WEBINAR
'Democracy, Diversity and Dialogue'

Speakers

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- Dr. Abdul Aziz**
Director BIT, Bangladesh
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Professor in the faculty of Islamic Thought, NOU, Kathmandu, Nepal
- Dr. Kamaruzzaman Bustamam Ahmad**
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- Dr. Qutub Kidwai**
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Sunday, May 5, 2024
1:30 PM-3:00PM Jakarta Time

benevolence (إحسان) to do good deeds as if Allah sees you. If you don't see Him, He sees you. The fact is that human beings are held accountable before Allah for their evil deeds. This Islamic teaching prevents Muslims from any form of corruption, and that whatever wealth they possess is for Allah only that they are trustees (خليفة).

In conclusion, sustainable development relates to the three major social, economic, and environmental elements. So, Muslims are strictly directed to protect the three aspects for the welfare of humanity and that they are responsible for their deeds before Allah. So, we are bound to care for Allah's creatures to lead a decent life on earth. ❖

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Fiqh Al-Ta'ayush in Malaysia: Issues and Challenges

FIQH AL-TA'AYUSH IN MALAYSIA: ISSUES AND CHALLENGES

Saturday, 18th May 2024 | 9 PM (MYT)

IIT - International Intellectual Discourse Series Online (IIDS) NO.55

Speaker:
YBhg. Prof. Madya Dato' Dr. Mohamed Azam bin Mohamed Adil
Director-General of the Institute of Understanding Islam Malaysia (IKIM)

Moderator:
Br. Shahrin Kasim
Deputy Director of IIT East and Southeast Asia
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