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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.

Peace and War: Between Islam and Neojihadist Ideology, Values and Strategies

By Muhammad Rashaad Bakashmar

Abstract

Peace and War presents a critical analysis of the phenomenon of neojihadism. The book presents neojihadism as a 21st century extremist and radical movement that engages in the distortion of the meaning of Jihad as understood in mainstream Islam. The book examines the fundamental processes of ideological extremism, the meaning and scope of terrorism, the basic processes involved in neojihadist radicalisation and the way in which globalisation forces have contributed to shaping neojihadism as a typically novel 21st century phenomenon. Peace and War is therefore an important reading for anyone interested in understanding the intersection between neojihadism and other similar violent new religious movements, and the various dimensions of ideological radicalisation and terrorism as important challenges to contemporary peace and international relations. ❖



Challenges of Thought and Research About Fundamental Social Concepts for the Modern Age (Part 6 of 8)

By Presented at the 5th International East African Universities Conference Morogoro Tanzania by Professor Omar Hasan Kasule Sr MB ChB (MUK), MPH (Harvard), DrPH (Harvard) Chairman of the Research and Human Ethics Committees at the King Abdullah bin Abdulaziz University Hospital Riyadh

Source of Secular Ethics: European Ethical Theories

There is no one authoritative source of secular ethics. There are several theories that make discussion complex. The utilitarian consequence-based theory of Jeremy Bentham 1747-1832 & John Stuart Mill 1806-1873 looks at ethics as the balance of good and bad, ethics is relative, and there is no absolute right and wrong. The obligation-based theory of Immanuel Kant 1724-1804 emphasizes moral obligations and asserts absolute right and absolute wrong. The rights-based theory is based on respect for the human rights of the individual who is free to decide what is ethical and what is not. The community-based theory asserts that what the community considers moral is what is moral.



Islamic Values

Islamic values (القيم الاخلاقية) are universal human values that shape the human personality and behavior and are applicable to every place and time. They are not exclusive to Muslims others may share some of them with Muslims. Values reflect the basic *fitra* of the human and are consonant with the mission of the human on earth which is *ibadat* in its widest sense manifested at the societal level by the three concepts of: *istikhlaf* (استخلاف), *taskhiir* (تسخير), and *isti'maar* (استعمار). The three are closely related to respect for life. Values are understandable from appreciating the duality of the human as *nafs* and *jasad* as well as the balance between the two in varying circumstances. ❖ To be continued...

Qur'an Khatam Sign-up for Dr. Hisham Altalib

Insha'Allah this Thursday, Aug 15 at 7:40pm we will be doing a Virtual Quran Khatam and Shifa'a Dua for Dr. Hisham Altalib after his surgery. We encourage all of you to sign-up in the Google Doc below for a Juz of Quran to read on his behalf and join the Dua on Thursday led by Imam Mohammad Magid. Please share with as many people as possible.

BarakAllahu Feekum and please reach out to Othman Altalib if you have any questions.

Juz sign-up:

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1brSb4oSM3awEDfBs6BNFfjWtRihd3k4hwcoTokbJDlc/edit?usp=sharing>

Zoom Link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85251118638?pwd=sayszbGvGqiT3dm6NnerqY32Tevfj1.1>

Islam and Modernity: Navigating Religion in a Changing World

Dr. Zeeshan Ahmed, Pro Chancellor Al-Ghazali University, invites you to the Global Association of Islamic Schools' 3rd Annual Retreat 2024 in Malaysia.



Theme: Revival Rooted in Tradition

Dates: 30th September - 3rd October 2024

Venue: Mardhiyyah Hotel and Suites, Shah Alam, Malaysia

Map: <https://maps.app.goo.gl/S5PigaUdh2Z8D3V56>

Participation fee: USD 200

Registration link: <https://gais.network/retreat2024/>

Only limited seats are available, so book now!

Kindly share with your network.

P.S. You may also attend the two sessions prior to the retreat; International Teacher Conference on 28th September 2024

Registration link:

- <https://forms.gle/rCZQP2QjdDLgn16p9>

Books event on 29th September 2024

- <https://littlcaliphs.onpay.my/order/form/284>

International Webinar: Security Crowdfunding as the New Machine for Islamic Financing and Investment

International Webinar

SCF (Securities Crowdfunding) as The New Machine for Islamic Financing and Investment

OPENING REMARKS

SPEAKERS

- Prof. Dr. Murniati Mukhlisin, M.Acc, CFP, IFP, AEPF, Chairwoman, The Islamic Financial Planners Association
- Dr. Teuku Aulia Geungpana, B.Ts, M.Sc., CSFT, International Relations, The Islamic Financial Planners Association
- Budiman Indrajaya, CSFT, Chief Executive Officer, PT Urut Bangun Negeri (URUN-RI)
- Nova Diana, CFP, IFP, OFE, ALPP, Ethics Committee, The Islamic Financial Planners Association

HOST

Mahaning Riyana ST, ANZIF (Sfr Assoc), IFP, Executive Director, Indonesian Sharia Fintech Association (AFSI)

Friday, August 9th 2024
7:30 PM - 9:30 PM (Jakarta Time)
Via Zoom Meeting

Free
Language: Bilingual

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