



**MALAIBAR INSTITUTE FOR ADVANCED STUDIES (MIAS)**

*Shariah City, Markaz Knowledge City, Kozhikode*

*Organizes*

**Jamia Markaz's First International Academic  
conference  
on Islam and Muslim World**

*In collaboration with*

**National University of Malaysia (UKM)**

&

**Tawasul Centre for Research and Dialogue, Italy**

**On December 30&31**

At

**MARKAZ KNOWLEDGE CITY**

*Theme*

***“Islam and Open Civilization: Art, Science and Literature in  
Contemporary Muslim World”***

**Event Partners**

*Markaz Unani Medical College; Markaz Law College; Darul Hidayah Institute for Islamic Studies*

## I. INTRODUCTION

**Malaibar Institute for Advanced Studies (MIAS)** is a research institute in Markaz Knowledge City, the prestigious edu-turned township launched by **Jamia Markazu Saqafathi Sunniyya** in Calicut, Kerala, India. It focuses on promoting independent research and advanced studies in subjects with deep human significance. In the process, MIAS attempts to collaborate with some leading research universities and foundations. MIAS conducts seminars, workshops, and international conferences on a variety of areas that ranges from science, religion and technology in a regular course of time. At first of its inception, MIAS intends to launch academic conferences and seminars every year on Islam and Muslim World which discuss various issues, concepts and concerns over Islam and Muslim society.

In the first of its series, the present conference focuses on a specific theme '**Islam and Open Civilization: Art, Science and Literature in Contemporary Muslim World**' which is very relevant in the arena of Islamic Intellectual gamut. It has often been considered that, in the extended historical trajectory of humanity, Islamic civilization was subjected to multifarious constructive elements. After the advancement of the revealed knowledge to the humanity through the prophetic engagements, a thought over the purposeful knowledge and its productive practicing which encapsulate the ethical order also were begun to disseminate to various landscapes. Islam turned to a civilizational pattern after attaining the capacity to develop a distinctive precepts and practical method for contested social discourses, knowledge capital, political affairs, scientific production, and artistic representations and further other functional factors. The compilation of such different factors helped the religion develop a glorious civilization that extended from Arabian Peninsula to Andalusia in the medieval times.

In fact, numerous inputs have been vested behind the functioning of Islamic civilization in past years, which had been grappled from the revealed knowledge tradition in Muslim intellectual terrain and spiritual worldview. Designing of a very distinctive epistemology to trigger a plural life style to Muslims particularly with the massive interactions with various sciences of knowledge and empirical reproductions were enumerated with formulating such common fundamental linguistics and philosophy. Various scholarships and spiritual orders were kept a constant vigilance to frame and reframe everything pertain to the Muslim affairs in particular and plural systems in general. Thus, a Civilizational approach encircled with Islamic doctrines and

Muslim cultural capital has been known as an open civilization- where one could find the possibilities of meeting multiple social discourses and diverse disciplinary streams.

**The papers of the conference may deal with the themes listed below but not limited to:**

*Science of knowledge in Muslim intellectual tradition*

*Open society and cultural integration in modern discourses*

*Linguistics for cross-cultural dialogues: Islamic grammatical rules*

*Reconstruction of Islamic epistemology: its means and ends,*

*Religion and science: contract or conflict?*

*Justice and human rights in post-secular world*

*State, politics and authoritarianism in Islamic doctrines*

*Art and aesthetics in Muslim Civilizations*

*Reason Versus revelation?*

*Islamic revivalism and the ethics of tradition*

*Poetry and prophesy in Islamic literature*

*Universality of Islamic law and the possibilities of multiplicity*

*Sufism- from inward to outward*

*Technological determinism and theological functionality in everyday Muslim life*

*Tradition and modernity in Muslim intellectual world*

*Ecology in prophetic tradition*

*Health and hygiene in Islamic jurisprudence*

*Human rights and human values in Muslim 'human'*

*Understanding Islamic jurisprudence and evaluation of Muslim public discourses*

*Muslim visibility in new age media*

**Papers on topics not listed above but related to the common theme Islamic Civilization may be considered.**

## **II. IMPORTANT DATES**

Paper contributors are advised to observe the following deadlines:

20 <sup>th</sup> October, 2017	Opening of the abstract submission process through online
9 <sup>th</sup> November, 2017	Closing of the abstract submission
11 <sup>th</sup> November, 2017	Decision on the accepted abstracts

30 <sup>th</sup> November, 2017	Deadline for submission of full paper
9 <sup>th</sup> December, 2017	Announcement of final selected Papers
12 <sup>th</sup> December, 2017	Deadline for submission of camera ready formatted final paper
30 <sup>th</sup> December, 2017	Conference Begins
31 <sup>st</sup> December, 2017	Conference Ends

### III. SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

Paper submissions must comply with the following guidelines:

- Paper can be written and presented in English/Arabic/ Malayalam/Urdu Languages and submitted through <https://easychair.org/conferences/?conf=iacim17>
- Paper must be in Microsoft Word format, double spaced, “12”font size with Times New Roman. The Arabic, Urdu and Malayalam fonts and styles can be arranged accordingly.
- Full tentative title of the manuscript must be included in the paper.
- The abstract should be not more than 300 words. Please limit the use of acronyms, abbreviations and references in the abstract.
- Keywords for the article: 3-5 keywords are sufficient.
- Referencing should be in standard format. We recommend Harvard referencing system.
- Please SUBMIT a copy of the paper and abstract along with the bio data into [iasmkc@markaz.in](mailto:iasmkc@markaz.in).
- Along with the submission of full papers, the authors are requested to send their willingness to publish their papers in conference proceedings/ books/ journals (as the organizing committee may decide).
- Those whose final paper is accepted are only allowed to present the paper in conference. The acceptance of abstract is not a promise to participate in the conference. However, the participants (who are not presenting papers) shall be registered separately [iasmkc@markaz.in](mailto:iasmkc@markaz.in) to attend in the proceeding of the conference.
- The presenters are requested to brief the paper in PPT format while presenting in the session
- As separate attachments on the submission form, please upload the following:

- PDF copy of corresponding author's passport (for international presenters) should be uploaded. This is for visa purposes in case the paper is accepted.
- A short biography of each author pointing educational and relevant work experience to use in conference brochures in case the paper is accepted.
- Good passport-size picture of the authors (not compulsory) to use in conference brochures.

#### **IV. REGISTRATION**

- The conference is open to all by registration. An affiliation to an academic institute is mandatory. Traditionally trained religious scholars are encouraged to apply for the conference. Graduates and post graduates students can also apply. We consider only the quality of paper.
- The registration and presentation is free for all presenters

#### **V. TRAVEL AND ACCOMMODATION**

- There will be limited funding for **SELECTED** participants to complement their travel expenses. There will not be any registration fee for the participants and all presenters have been offered free food and accommodation during the conference days (29<sup>th</sup> December, 2017- 1<sup>st</sup> January, 2018 for out of Kerala participants). International authors are highly appreciated if they find the sponsors by themselves for their travel into India. However, the conference committee is pleased to arrange their local transportation in Kerala.
- A special tour will be conducted for those who come from outside Kerala to see places of historical and natural importance near the Markaz Knowledge City. Markaz Knowledge city is situated near many beautiful tourist places of waterfalls, lakes, peak hills etc. which absorbs the real beauty of Kerala state.

#### **VI. PUBLICATION**

- Papers presented to the Conference will be considered for possible publication in the International Journals like Journal Hadhari (ISSN 1985-6830). The committee is also planning to publish edited book/s which contains the selected papers of the conference.

- There will be 'Best Paper Awards' for selected papers.

#### **IV. CONTACTS**

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