



## Program of the Global Conference:

# Building Bridges between Islamic Schools of Thought and Sects

— The Second Edition —

# Towards an Effective Islamic Coalition

Near the Sacred House of Allah, Makkah, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia  
Thursday and Friday, 6th and 7th of Ramadan 1446 AH,  
corresponding to 6th and 7th of March 2025

Under the patronage of the  
Custodian of the Two Holy Mosques

**King Salman bin Abdulaziz Al Saud**

May Allah safeguard him

## Opening Ceremony

11:00 - 12:30 AM

## Speakers

(7 minutes each)

**Recitation of Verses from the Holy Quran****His Eminence Dr. Abdullah bin Awad Al-Juhani (Imam and Khateeb of the Grand Mosque)****Speech by His Eminence Sheikh Abdulaziz bin Abdullah Al-Sheikh**

Grand Mufti of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, Chairman of the Council of Senior Scholars, General President of Scholarly Research and Ifta, and President of the Supreme Council of the Muslim World League

**Speech by His Excellency Sheikh Dr. Mohammed bin Abdulkarim Al-Issa**

Secretary-General of the Muslim World League, Chairman of the Organization of Muslim Scholars

**Speech by His Excellency Mr. Hisein Brahim Taha**

Secretary-General of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation

**Speech by His Eminence Sheikh Abdallah bin Mahfudh ibn Bayyah**

Chairman of the UAE Council for Fatwa, President of the Abu Dhabi Forum for Peace, Member of the Supreme Council of the Muslim World League, and Member of the Islamic Fiqh Council - United Arab Emirates

**Speech by His Excellency Mr. Ahmad Muzani**

Chairman of the People's Consultative Assembly – Indonesia

**Speech by His Eminence Sheikh Fazlur Rahman bin Mufti Mahmood**

Ameer of Jamiat Ulema-e-Islam – Pakistan

**Speech by His Excellency Dr. Hamid Shahriari**

Secretary-General of the World Forum for Proximity of Islamic Schools of Thought – Iran

**Speech by His Excellency Mawlawi Abdul-Hakim Sharei**

Minister of Justice – Afghanistan

**Speech by His Eminence Sheikh Dr. Ahmed Hassan Al-Taha**

President of the Iraqi Fiqh Council

**Speech by His Eminence Ayatollah Dr. Sayyed Abu Al-Qasim Al-Dibaji**

Secretary-General of the World Organization of Pan-Islamic Jurisprudence

**Speech by His Eminence Sheikh Bujar Spahiu**

President of the Islamic Community, General Mufti and Grand Imam of the Republic of Albania

## The Main Session

Theme: (Towards an Effective Islamic Coalition)

12:30 – 1:30 AM

Speakers	(5 minutes each)
<b>Speech by His Eminence Dr. Mabrouk Ali Mohamed Zaid Al-Khair</b> Chairman of the Supreme Islamic Council, Algeria	<p>This session features key speeches by prominent figures from various Islamic components, emphasizing the commitment of all participants, regardless of their sects, to the coalition of Muslims. The aim is to establish a cohesive Islamic entity wherein members unite and collaboratively address challenges, striving to achieve the supreme interests of the Ummah based on shared principles</p>
<b>Speech by His Eminence Sheikh Miftachul Akhyar</b> Chairman of Nahdlatul Ulama (NU) Organization in Indonesia	
<b>Speech by His Excellency Mr. Chaudhry Salik Hussain</b> Federal Minister for Religious Affairs and Interfaith Harmony – Pakistan	
<b>Speech by His Eminence Sheikh Ahmed Al-Murabit bin Sheikh Ahmed</b> Grand Mufti of the Islamic Republic of Mauritania	
<b>Speech by His Excellency Dr. Sami Mohammed Rabie Al-Sharif</b> Secretary-General of the League of Islamic Universities – Egypt	
<b>Speech by His Eminence Sheikh Imam Dr. Abdullah Bala Lau</b> President of the Izala Society in Nigeria, Senior Member of the Supreme Council for Islamic Affairs, and President of the Supreme Council of Sunni Associations in West African Countries	
<b>Speech by Al-Allamah Sayyed Ihsan Al-Hakim</b> Director of Imam Hussein Foundation for Dialogue – Iraq	
<b>Speech by His Eminence Sheikh Asghar Ali Imam Mahdi Al-Salafi</b> Ameer of Jamiate Ahle Hadeeth in India	

## First Session

1:30 - 2:30 AM

Theme: The Jurisprudence of Differences and the Culture of Coalition

**Chairperson:** His Eminence Dr. Mustafa Ibrahim Cerić (President of the Centre for Interreligious Dialogue in Bosnia and Herzegovina)

Speakers	(5 minutes each)
<b>Her Excellency Professor Rajae Naji Mekkaoui</b> Ambassador of the Kingdom of Morocco to the Vatican – Morocco	<p>This session explores the foundational concept of "jurisprudence of differences" within Islamic heritage, addressing the proper etiquette for Sharia-based disagreement among Islamic sects. It discusses the ethical and scholarly principles of this concept and explores transforming jurisprudential differences into sources of enrichment and complementarity, rather than division and conflict. The theme also examines the concept of "Coalition" as a Sharia-based value derived from the texts of the Quran and the Sunnah</p>
<b>His Eminence Dr. Ismail Lutfi Japakia</b> President of Fatoni University – Kingdom of Thailand	
<b>His Excellency Dr. Hassan bin Ali Mousa</b> Secretary-General of the Swedish Islamic Waqf for Dialogue and Communication, Vice President of the Swedish Ifta Council – Sweden	
<b>His Eminence Sayyed Mahdi Al-Amin</b> Religious Authority – Lebanon	
<b>His Eminence Sheikh Ahmed Saghir Mbaye</b> Director General of the Islamic Institute in Dakar – Senegal	
<b>His Eminence Sheikh Zubair Hassan Fazl Rahim</b> Vice President of Al-Ashrafia University – Pakistan	

## Second Session

2:30 - 3:30 AM

Theme: Factors of the Islamic Coalition

**Chairperson:** His Excellency Dr. Ali bin Rashid Al Nuaimi (Chairman of the World Council of Muslim Communities, UAE)

Speakers	(5 minutes each)
<b>Sir Iqbal Abdul Karim Sacranie</b> Senior Advisor to the Muslim Council of Britain.	<p>This session reviews the foundations upon which the coalition among Muslims is built, along with future opportunities to strengthen it in the face of numerous challenges. It examines strategies for reinforcing the presence of common doctrinal and jurisprudential features to foster positive dialogue and enhancing the role of influential institutions—such as the Muslim World League and the Organization of Islamic Cooperation—in formulating unified decisions through practical initiatives that promote mutual understanding among various Islamic schools of thought within the Ummah</p>
<b>His Eminence Sheikh Dr. Abdullah Said Waisi</b> President of the Union of Religious Scholars in Kurdistan, Iraq	
<b>His Eminence Sheikh Abdullah Salah Omar</b> Secretary-General of the Supreme Council of Kenyan Muslims	
<b>Dr. Radwan Nayef El-Sayed</b> Professor of Islamic Studies at Mohamed bin Zayed University for Humanities	
<b>His Eminence Dr. Sheikh Yahya Jahankiri</b> Editor-in-Chief of the Islamic Studies Journal, Iran	
<b>Dato Prof. Mohd Hasbi Abu Bakar</b> President of Jamiyah Singapore	

**Third Session**

4:30 - 5:30 PM

Theme: Areas of Collaborative Work Among Islamic Sects in Accordance with the Charter of Building Bridges between Islamic Schools of Thought and Sects

**Chairperson:** His Excellency Prof. Dr. Mohamed Othman Al-Khesht (Former President of Cairo University)

Speakers	(5 minutes each)
<p><b>His Eminence Sheikh Haji Ibrahim Tufa</b> President of the Supreme Council for Islamic Affairs, Ethiopia</p>	<p>This session focuses on areas of work grounded in the shared framework established by the Charter of Building Bridges between Islamic Schools of Thought and Sects, aimed at advancing the interests of the Ummah. It encompasses general religious legal issues, humanitarian relief efforts, scientific cooperation, education, and the realms of media and social coordination—particularly in confronting the common threats and risks that challenge the Ummah's unity</p>
<p><b>His Eminence Imam Mohamed Majid Haj</b> Adams Center, USA</p>	
<p><b>His Eminence Dr. Sayyid Zaid Mohamed Aboud Bahr Al-Uloom</b> Director of Al-Balaghi Academy, Iraq</p>	
<p><b>His Eminence Sheikh Hani Ahmed Musto</b> President of the Belgian Community Imams Foundation, Belgium</p>	
<p><b>Prof. Abdel Haq Idris Azouzi</b> Chair of the Alliance of Civilizations, Founding Member, and Board Member of the Euro-Mediterranean University, Morocco</p>	
<p><b>His Eminence Sheikh Mohamed Abdel Khabir Azad</b> Imam and Khateeb of the Royal Mosque in Lahore and Chairman of Ruet-e-Hilal Committee, Pakistan</p>	

## Fourth Session

11:00 – 12:00 AM

Theme: Issues of the Ummah and Coordination of Stances

**Chairperson:** Dr. Ibrahim bin Saleh Al-Nuaimi (Chairman of the Board of the Doha International Center for Interfaith Dialogue, Qatar)

### Speakers

(5 minutes each)

**His Excellency Sheikh Dr. Ahmed Mohamed Halil**  
Former Chief Judge, Jordan

**His Eminence Sheikh Mohamed Shahidullah Khan**  
Secretary-General of the Jamiyat Ahl-Al Hadith, Bangladesh

**His Eminence Sheikh Sardar Mohamed Zahidi**  
Chairman of the Shia Scholars Council in Kandahar, Afghanistan

**Mr. Abdel Samad Al-Yazidi**  
Chairman of the Supreme Council of Muslims in Germany

**His Excellency Dr. Abu Bakr Abdullah Dakouri**  
Advisor to the President of Burkina Faso on Islamic Affairs, and  
President of the Union of Islamic Associations

**His Eminence Dr. Tin Aung Myint - Asad bin Ismail**  
Official Member of Interfaith and Peace Dialogue for the Government, Islamic Advisor to  
the Muslim Youth Organization of Myanmar, and Founder of Barq Institute, Myanmar

This session casts a spotlight on the most pressing issues and challenges confronting the Islamic Ummah today—particularly the Palestinian cause, positive transformation in Syria, the situation in Sudan, and the realities facing Muslim minorities, among others. Its objective is to devise effective mechanisms for coordinating efforts among the Ummah's scholars and leaders to address these challenges with a spirit of unity and cooperation, counter inter-sectarian strife, bolster a unified Islamic voice on major issues, and defend enduring principles, rights, and sanctities

## Fifth Session

12:00 – 1:00 AM

Theme: The Journey of Intra-Islamic Dialogue

**Chairperson:** His Excellency Dr. Hassan Nazim (Former Minister of Culture, Iraq)

### Speakers

(5 minutes each)

**His Eminence Sheikh Mohamed Al-Hafiz Al-Nahwi**  
President of the Islamic Cultural Caucus in Mauritania and West Africa, Mauritania

**His Excellency Mr. Talha Mahmood**  
Former Minister of Religious Affairs, Pakistan

**Dr. Mohamed Hamleli Al-Bashari**  
Secretary-General of the World Muslim Communities Council, UAE

**Dr. Ali Akbar Ziaei**  
Chairman of the Center for Religions and Cultures, Iran

**Mr. Ali Musbahy**  
Munazir Ali Sheikh Senior Scholar of the Bareilvi School, Nepal

**His Eminence Sheikh Abu Bakr Sayed Abdullah Jamlulail**  
Mufti of the Union of Comoros

This session explores the journey of intra-Islamic dialogue and underscores the importance of reinforcing it through guarantees of transparency, characterized by Islamic brotherhood and mutual respect, while also reviewing recent developments in its criteria and pillars

## Speakers

### Speech by His Excellency Sheikh Dr. Saleh bin Abdullah bin Humaid

Advisor to the Royal Court, Imam and Khateeb of the Grand Mosque

### Speech by His Excellency Sheikh Dr. Abdul Rahman bin Abdul Aziz Al-Sudais

President of Religious Affairs of the Grand Mosque and the Prophet's Mosque, Imam and Khateeb of the Grand Mosque

### Speech by His Excellency Dr. Koutoub Moustapha Sano

Secretary-General of the International Islamic Fiqh Academy in Jeddah

### Speech by Ayatollah Sheikh Ahmed Moballeghi

Member of the Assembly of Experts in the Islamic Republic of Iran

- Reading the Final Declaration
- Launch of the Strategic and Operational Plan for the Charter of Building Bridges between Islamic Schools of Thought and Sects
- Inauguration of the Encyclopedia of the Islamic Intellectual Consensus
- Awarding of the International Islamic Fiqh Academy Prize for the Encyclopedia of the Islamic Intellectual Consensus



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