

## **Editorial**

We are pleased to present the second issue of the thirty-sixth volume of this journal to our readers. In establishing this journal as a pioneer in the publishing of outstanding academic research and seeking to rank among the world's most well-respected academic databases, we have achieved two important milestones:

1. The journal has joined the EBSCO international database and is currently listed on its platform. EBSCO is a leading international company in the field of electronic publishing, providing scientific databases, electronic books and scientific journals to the world's libraries and research centers. EBSCO provides more than 400 research databases, containing nearly 450,000 e-books, and grants subscription management services to more than 360,000 unique journals, which includes 57,000 electronic journals. It also has relationships with 98,000 publishers, and 118,000 foundations use its product worldwide. Joining EBSCO allows for further exposure and citations of our journal and thus for a higher readership around the world. With the new addition of EBSCO, the journal is now recognized by three global platforms: Cross Reference, Ulrich and EBSCO.

2. The Marefa Foundation has included our journal in its Arab Citation & Impact Factor (Arsif) initiative, which chose our journal, along with three hundred and sixty-two others from a list of four thousand academic and research journals published by one thousand four hundred academic institutions across twenty Arab countries. This selection was carried out by applying the rigorous international standards adopted by the Marefa Foundation. As a result of this selection, the journal is now recognized by an official Arab organization.

This edition is exceptional due to its rich academic content as well as the diversity of its authors, as it includes papers written by researchers from India, Malaysia, Algeria, Palestine, Qatar, and Oman.

The journal seeks to excel in attracting the most important researchers in the field of Islamic studies from around the world. The publishing rules for the journal are comprised of the most important international and ethical standards that are compatible with international institutions such as Committee on Publication Ethics (COPE).

This issue includes the following papers:

The first paper is entitled *Cryptocurrency According to the Objectives of Islamic Law: Bitcoin as a Case Study*.

The second paper is entitled *Fabrications Concerning the Inheritance of Males and Females: A Jurisprudential and Linguistic Study*.

The third paper is entitled *Comparing the Image of Man between the Islamic and Western Sources*.

The fourth paper is entitled *Towards Reviving the Authentic Concept of "Tarbiyah"*.

The fifth paper is entitled *Secularization and Arab Societies: An Imposed Modernization or a Strategic Choice?*

The sixth paper is entitled *The Interfaith Dimension of Some Recent English Translations of the Quran:*

*A Critical Analysis.*

Furthermore, there is a book review of the book entitled *Exploring the Quran: Context and Impact*.

Finally, the journal staff thanks the researchers, reviewers, and all others who assisted in the enhancement of its academic standing. The staff also looks forward to achieving further progress and prosperity, God willing.

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**Editor-in-Chief**