

Editorial

“Read! in the name of your Lord who created: He created man from a clot of blood. Read! Your Lord is the Most Generous, who taught by the pen, who taught man what he did not know”. (Alaq: 1-5)

Reading is a cornerstone of civilization. Useful reading done for God’s sake pays off and offers humanity goodness and prosperity. This is what we are trying to present to the reader in our journal through the various studies contained in this second issue of the thirty-eighth volume of the year 2021. This issue is diverse in terms of its topics, and of the origin of researchers. We have researchers from Europe and Asia: Germany, Britain, France, India, Kuwait, Palestine, and Qatar. The “Web of Science” has recognized our journal which makes it thus one of the first journals in the Arab world and in the field of Islamic studies to receive such international recognition. Moreover, today, we also celebrate with Doha its selection as the Capital of Islamic Culture for 2021. May God increase Qatar’s pride, progress and prosperity.

As the journal seeks globalism and benefit from international expertise, readers will note in this issue that new names have been added of renowned researchers and scholars from around the globe to the international advisory board and editorial board. We have also improved the way articles are produced in terms of the standardized way of writing abstracts so as to simplify matters for the reader. We intend to add in the next issue a section related to the opinions and suggestions of readers on important issues in the scientific research and publication related to Sharia and Islamic studies. We will also encourage readers to provide us with what is useful and valuable in this field.

In this issue, we offer our readers eight distinct studies, with a review of two books in Arabic and English as follows:

- 1- A New Document on the Transmission of Knowledge in Islamic History: An Edition of the Preliminary samā‘ List on the Sunan by al-Dāraqūṭnī.
 2. The Quranic Rooting to Hadith Science: An Inductive Analytical Study.
 - 3- Changing God’s Creation through Plastic Surgeries.
 - 4- The Holy Book of Tao and Its Arabic Translations: An Introduction.
 - 5- The Five Purposes of Creation and the Authentic Essence of Tarbiya (Education): A study in light of the Holy Qur’an.
 - 6- Exegeting Sūra al Fātiḥa for the Masses: Bediüzzaman Said Nursi and Haji Muḥammad Sa‘īd bin ‘Umar.
 - 7- The Qur’ān before the book: History and concepts of Qur’ānic variants (qirā’āt).
 - 8- Penalty and Compensation in Financial Commitments: A Critical Shariah Review
- Furthermore, two books are reviewed in the book review section: “Majalis al-Nur” and “What is in the Qur’an? Message of the Qur’an in Simple English”.

In conclusion, we are pleased our journal will contribute to the good and benefit of all people in the field of scientific research, progress and prosperity, based on the principle of the middle path and moderation.

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