Editorial

We are pleased to present to our readers the second issue of the thirty-fifth volume of the *Journal of the College of Sharia and Islamic Studies*. In the pursuit of becoming an international journal, we have taken diversity into consideration with regards to the geographic distribution of our authors, and have included papers written by researchers from Europe, Africa and the Middle East, and have tried our utmost to publish articles that contribute to the field of Islamic studies.

We also aimed to diversify the languages of the research by including papers in both Arabic and English. Furthermore, we applied the international standards of research ethics stated by COPE.

The current issue includes the following papers:

The first paper is entitled: The Evolution and Systematization of Qur'ānic Sciences as Exemplified by the Discipline of zallat al-qari. The second paper is entitled: Is the Qur'an part of the Late Antiquity of Europe? A Reading in German Orientalism. The third paper is entitled: A Critical Reading of Televised Fatawa. The fourth research is entitled: Oaths of Allegiance in Islamic Political Law: Its Concepts and Methods of Application. Finally, the fifth paper is in English, and is entitled: Teaching Classic Islamic Texts in Modern Settings: The In-Class Struggle.

The editorial board has also added a new section to this journal related to book reviews. Additionally, the Journal is a member of Cross Reference, which allows each paper to receive a unique international Digital Object Identifier (DOI). Moreover, every article includes both an Arabic and English abstract, and all of the Arabic references in all articles have been Romanized, so that they may be included in the future in scientific databases platforms such as Scopus and others.

We beseech God for help and success.

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