<u>Editorial</u>

We are pleased to present to our readers the first issue of the thirty-sixth volume of the journal. This edition was put together by a new editorial board and exhibits a new design. We would like to take this opportunity to extend our deepest gratitude and appreciation to previous editorial boards, who also contributed greatly to this edition. By God's grace, this journal seeks to fulfil the international standards of academic publishing and is therefore included in the Ulrich Directory, and the Cross Reference Directory. The journal also applies the Open Access standard that complies with the DOAJ standards.

This edition is extremely diverse in terms of the topics it covers, as well as with regards to the geographic distribution of its authors, as it includes papers written by researchers from the United States, Turkey, Palestine, and Qatar. Additionally, two of its articles were originally composed in the English language.

The current issue includes the following papers:

The first paper is entitled: A Critique of Hasan Hanafi's Assertion Concerning Islamic Pluralism. The second paper is entitled: The Status of Anas bin Malik's Narrations in Hanafi Corpus: An Applied Analytical Study. The third paper is entitled: The Ethics of Dealing with Crises from an Islamic Perspective. The fourth paper is entitled: The Value of Status in Islamic Law. The fifth paper is entitled: Sheikh Qassim bin Mohammed Al-Thani, and his Charitable and Endowment Efforts (Historical and Descriptive Study). The sixth paper is entitled: Rapprochement between Sunnīs and Imāmīs during the Crusades. The seventh paper is entitled: Reforming the Knot – Abdullah Al-Ghumari's Iconoclastic Sunni Neo-Traditionalism.

The journal also includes a book review of the book Islam and Human Rights: Tradition and Politics.

The journal thanks the researchers, peer-reviewers, and all others who assisted in the enhancement of its academic and international standing.

All success is but through God alone.

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