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Reinventing Prophetic Ways of Life for Human Advancement

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- **Rationale**

Islam is not simply a system of belief upon the God. To a greater extent, it is a comprehensive (*kaffah*) commandment based on *tauhid*, a testimony that Allah is the only Creator and Ruler of the world. The substances of Islamic tenets are indeed perfect norms for people's life, merging with the existing pre-Islamic traditions. Such a culture aims to sustain and develop the physical and mental life which constitutes their paragon, way of life, world view, system of knowledge, ethical and aesthetical perspectives, and social norms.

Using their mind, human beings live and grow up in a particular culture, with a system of value, view of life, and pattern of education hold by its unique community. Furthermore, culture –as a product of human mind– is used to organize people's life in terms of social, religious, political, economic, and intellectual principles which are in line with their spirituality, ideals, and goals. In this respect, Moslem community (any race believing in Islam as their religion) develop their culture based on the values of the major sources of Islamic law: *al-Qur'an* and *sunnah*.

The four main components of Islam, i.e. doctrine (*aqidah*), worship (*ibadah*), social dealings (*muamalah*), and morality (*akhlak*), function as the society's culture foundation. Doctrine is a belief that Allah is the One and Only God. Worship, as reflected in the five pillars of Islam, is thoroughly explained in the jurisprudence (*fiqh*). Social dealings, together with the practice of worship, activates the so-called *al-'amal al-shalihah*, or pious deeds, which founds the social, political, economic, and cultural ideals of Islam. Finally, morality drives people to act appropriately and ethically toward the God, society, selves, and environment.

True and objective understanding on the aforementioned components of Islam should be referred to the valid history; it is the Prophetic Ways of Life (*Sirah Nabawiyah*). In relation to this Islamic history, the standpoint extends from the prophetic period (*nubuwwah*) up to the modern era today. The Islamic civilization has been well-recognized in Arab since the 7th century and expanded in Europe and Africa from the 9th to 15th century. Recently, Islam appears as a global civilization which – surely– requires the Moslems to contextualize its teachings with the modern culture.

It is based on the above rationale that the Faculty of Humanities, Maulana Malik Ibrahim State Islamic University of Malang, administers an International Conference in which Moslem thinkers can share their ideas on the history of Islamic Civilization from different perspectives. Such a critical view is significant to scientifically reinvent and reinterpret the historical realities. The history of Islamic civilization shall also be analyzed in a broader context, socialized, disseminated, and – in turn– objectivated. Finally, “new” ontological, epistemological, and axiological perspectives of Islamic civilization history might be promoted through scientific discussion among presenters and participants in this academic forum.





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- **Objectives**

The International Conference aims at:

1. Reinventing the values of the prophetic ways of life as a solution for any challenges of today's modern life.
2. Finding new perspectives of Islamic civilization as a response toward Moslem's current problems.
3. Strengthening academic network among Moslem scholars and thinkers concerning on Islamic civilization history to build collective commitment for human(ity) advancement.

- **Theme**

This year's International Conference on Islamic Civilization takes **"Reinventing Prophetic Ways of Life for Human Advancement"** as its theme.

The topics of the conference mainly concern, but not limited, on the following areas:

1. Prophetic ways of life and character building in education
2. Reinterpreting prophetic history toward modern perspectives
3. Synthesizing the concept of feminism/gender with prophetic values
4. The transformation of prophetic spirituality in local and global cultures
5. Synergizing the prophetic values with humanities and society empowerment

- **Program Design**

The conference is designed for three main programs:

1. Plenary Sessions (60 minutes): The speakers of the Plenary Sessions are the recognized experts and scholars honorably invited by the committee to present their ideas on the Islamic Civilization History. It spends 40 minutes for presentation and 20 minutes for question/answer.
2. Parallel Sessions (30 minutes): The sessions are devoted for lecturers, teachers, and researchers whose abstracts are accepted for presentation in the Conference. They spend 20 minutes to present their insights or research, and the remaining 10 minutes to respond on the participants' feedback.
3. Panel Discussion (60 minutes): All plenary, invited speakers present their opinions in 7–10 minutes about the current issues raised during the Conference.

- **Speakers and Participants**

The plenary speakers are:

1. Prof. Dr. Azyumardi Azra (Indonesia)
2. Dr. Ali Unsal (Turki)





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3. Prof. Dr. Faisol Mahmud Adam (Sudan)
4. Prof. Dr. Sulaiman Al-Abdah (Qassim University – Madinah, Saudi Arabia)

The participants –some of whom are speakers of parallel sessions– are:

1. Teachers of the history of Islamic civilization (or, Islamic culture)
2. Lecturers of Indonesian and overseas universities
3. Scholars and researchers of Islamic civilization
4. Students interested in the field of Islamic history

- **Time and Venue**

The Conference is to be administered on August 29 – 31, 2014 at the Faculty of Humanities, Maulana Malik Ibrahim State Islamic University, Jalan Gajayana 50 Malang, Jawa Timur Province, the Republic of Indonesia.

- **Cost**

To attend the Conference, the participants should pay in accordance with the following criteria:

1. Participants/Speakers from Indonesia : IDR 350,000,-
2. Overseas participants/Speakers : US\$ 250,-

The fee (non-refundable) includes snacks, lunch and dinner, conference kit, program book, and certificate. Proceeding can be bought or reserved on the conference site.

The accommodation is not covered yet; the participants should, therefore, find their own hotel and make personal reservation. The committee will kindly provide any information on the accommodation, if necessary.

- **Payment**

The fee should be transferred via bank account:

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