

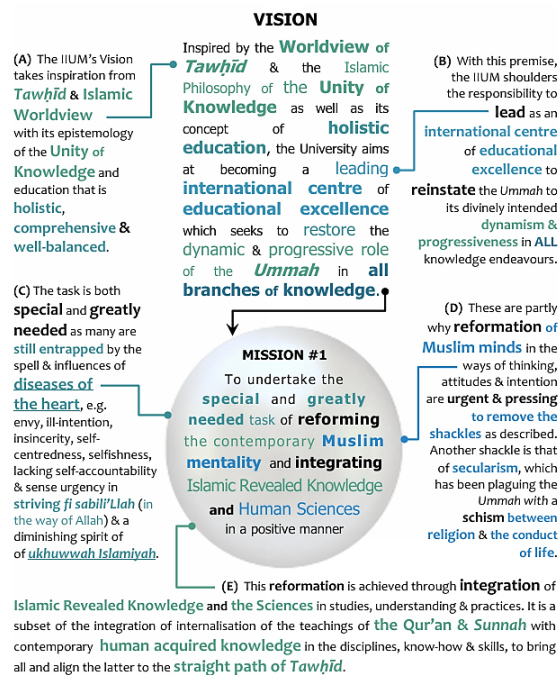
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ONE Pearl from the Precious String

بِسْمِ اللّٰهِ الرَّحْمٰنِ الرَّحِیْمِ

We greet you warmly with *Islamisation-Herald* Issue 4 No. 1, where we highlight Islamisation wisdom, **ONE pearl** at a time. Series No. 1 focuses on **‘WHY Islamisation?’** as outlined by IIUM’s 3rd Rector, *al-Marhūm* Emeritus Professor Tan Sri Dr. M. Kamal Hassan.¹

Issue 3 No. 1 deliberates on the connexions between IIUM’s Vision and her First Mission, and OUR place within.



WHY Islamisation? The 3rd Pearl.

“A.2 The Necessity and Urgency of Fulfilling the Mission of IOHK According to IIUM’s Constitution”. “A.2.1 The philosophical/metaphysical basis of the Mission”.

The issue at hand now continues with the points of A.2.1 The Philosophical or

Metaphysical Basis of the Mission, highlighting the Second Mission of IIUM as Enshrined in the Constitution.

“Towards actualizing the University’s Vision, IIUM endeavours:”

MISSION #2

“ To produce **better quality** intellectuals, professionals and scholars by **integrating** quality of faith (***Īmān***), knowledge (***‘Ilm***) and good character (***Akhlāq***) to serve as **agents** of **comprehensive** and **balanced** progress as well as **sustainable development** in Malaysia and in the Muslim world.² ”

As **the foundation** of the University, the **Worldview of *Tawhīd*** extends to the notion of the **Unity of Knowledge in Islam**. Since all knowledge comes from **The One Source, Allah ﷻ**, the different disciplines **converge** as a **collective *hujjah* testifying** to **The Oneness of The God-Creator**.

In other words, The Reality of The Creator ﷻ manifests and reflects upon realities of the created, the latter being the domain that the humankind examines and

¹ M. Kamal Hassan, “Lecture on Islamicisation/Islamisation of Human Knowledge”, organized by CPD, IIUM, Ta’aruf and Intellectual Discourse (TIDE) 43, delivered on January 27, 2014.

² Memorandum of Association of the IIUM, 2002: 2-3.

studies in nature, in humanity and in history. Studies of the Words or Signs of Allah ﷻ in His creatures **must then be guided by** and **in tandem with** studies of The Creator’s Words in the Qur’an.

This **necessitates** that **education at the IIUM** is **comprehensive** and **holistic** - **integrating Revelation** with **reason** and **Revealed Knowledge** with **human sciences**.

These are so that the University

(A) Is poised to produce the **much needed & desired** outcomes, i.e. **better quality individuals**, through **integration** of **Īmān, 'Ilm & Akhlāq** (faith, knowledge & good character) into their disciplines & practices.

(B) Is better prepared to nurture practitioners, intellectuals, scholars, & professionals who are **capable** of **perpetuating progress & developments** that are **holistic, comprehensive, excellent, well-balanced** & are **sustainable** wherever they may be.

(C) Achieves the mission through knowledgeable, thoughtful & well-informed expert collaborative practices that are firmly grounded on **Tawhidic epistemology** of **the Qur’an & Sunnah**, which ensures a **strong sense of moral** and **ethical accountability to Allah ﷻ**.

(D) Realises her **religious duty** of **leading the world** with **comprehensive excellence**, striving to **restore Ummatic dynamism and progressiveness** in all knowledge areas and disciplines.



اللَّهُ الَّذِي أَنْزَلَ الْكِتَابَ بِالْحَقِّ وَالْمِيزَانَ وَمَا يُدْرِيكَ لَعَلَّ السَّاعَةَ قَرِيبٌ

“It is Allah Who has sent down **the Book in Truth, and the Balance** (by which to weigh conduct). And what will make you realise that perhaps the Hour is close at hand?”

(Q. al-Shūrā, 42:17)

كُنْتُمْ خَيْرَ أُمَّةٍ أُخْرِجَتْ لِلنَّاسِ تَأْمُرُونَ بِالْمَعْرُوفِ وَتَنْهَوْنَ عَنِ الْمُنْكَرِ وَتُؤْمِنُونَ بِاللَّهِ...

“You are the best of peoples, evolved for mankind, **enjoining what is right, forbidding what is wrong, and believing in Allah...**” (Q. Al ‘Imrān, 3: 110)

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