



## CONFERENCE

# The Role of Muslim Scholars and Intellectuals in Europe

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In the contemporary European context, Muslim scholars and intellectuals play a crucial role in shaping religious discourse, fostering interfaith dialogue, addressing socio-political challenges, and contributing to academic and public debates. Their engagement is pivotal in countering stereotypes, advocating for social justice, and ensuring that Islamic teachings remain relevant to the diverse and evolving European landscape. Given the increasing visibility of Muslims in Europe and the challenges they face, this conference seeks to explore the contributions, responsibilities, and challenges of Muslim scholars and intellectuals in European societies.

Historically, Muslim intellectuals have influenced European thought in various fields, from philosophy and science to theology and law. Today, they continue to engage with issues such as identity, integration, religious pluralism, and the role of Islam in secular democracies. The discourse on Islam in Europe is often shaped by external narratives; therefore, it is essential to amplify the voices of Muslim scholars who contribute to academic, religious, and public discussions in an informed and constructive manner.

## IMPORTANT DATES

Abstract Submission Deadline: **19 May 2025**

Notification of Acceptance: **2 June 2025**

Full Paper Submission Deadline: **25 August 2025**

# CALL FOR PAPERS

## THEMES AND TOPICS

- Historical contributions of Muslim scholars to European thought.
- Muslim scholars and preservation of religious identity.
- Contemporary challenges faced by Muslim intellectuals in Europe.
- The role of Muslim scholars in interfaith and intercultural dialogue.
- Religious leadership and education in European Muslim communities.
- The impact of AI and digital platforms on Islamic scholarship.
- Ethical, legal, and social issues in Muslim intellectual discourse.

The organisers will cover travel expenses for participants from Europe, as well as food and accommodation for up to three nights.

For inquiries and submissions, please contact: [programs@cns.ba](mailto:programs@cns.ba)  
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## Organisers

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## OBJECTIVES OF THE CONFERENCE

- To explore the historical and contemporary contributions of Muslim scholars and intellectuals in Europe.
- To analyze the challenges and opportunities faced by Muslim intellectuals in engaging with European societies.
- To discuss the role of Muslim scholars in shaping Islamic thought and practice in a European context.
- To foster dialogue between scholars, policymakers, and community leaders on key issues affecting European Muslims.
- To provide a platform for emerging scholars and researchers to present their work and insights.

## EXPECTED OUTCOMES

- A comprehensive understanding of the role and impact of Muslim scholars in Europe.
- Strengthened networks between scholars, institutions, and community organizations.
- Academic publications and proceedings to contribute to the broader discourse.

## SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

- Abstracts should be 300-400 words, clearly outlining the research focus, methodology, and key arguments.
- Include the author's name, institutional affiliation, and contact details.
- Full papers (if accepted) should not exceed 7,000 words.
- All submissions must be in English or Arabic.

We invite scholars, researchers, and practitioners to submit paper proposals for the upcoming conference on "The Role of Muslim Scholars and Intellectuals in Europe." This conference aims to provide a platform for discussing the contributions, challenges, and future directions of Muslim intellectual engagement in European societies.

We look forward to your contributions and to a meaningful discussion on the role of Muslim scholars in Europe.

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