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## The first international festival "Solving the Key Problems of Cyberspace" was held



The closing ceremony of the first international festival "Solving Key Problems of Cyberspace" was organized by the Office of Islamic Studies on Cyberspace.

Closing of the first international festival "Solving the Key Problems of Cyberspace" with the presence of Dr. Abolhassan Firoozabadi, Secretary of the Supreme Council of Cyberspace, Shaikh Hamid Maleki, Deputy Director of Seminaries, Hujjat al-Islam Khosrow Panah,

seminary and university professor and a group of scholars and scholars Was held and at the end, the winners were honored.

Dr. Firoozabadi called the National Cyberspace Center the focal point of cyberspace policy and said: Policy making in cyberspace is very complicated and goes beyond traditional topics. Thus, in this area, decision-making is not only in the power of governments, but also due to the complexities, social and economic sectors have been able to intervene. For example, now with the expansion of cyberspace, the management of governments and parliaments is different from the past, and decisions in society can easily be called into question.

At the end of the festival, while reading the statement of the jury, the selected works were praised and appreciated.

## Ideal Model for a Muslim Woman is neither Eastern nor Western

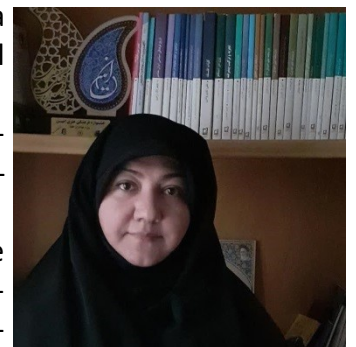
In an academic meeting Dr. Maryam Ghazi Esfahani said: It's necessary to provide a suitable model for women activism in cyberspace and social networks. But the ideal model for a Muslim woman is neither eastern nor western.

Tuesday, January 11, 2022, with the efforts of the Office of Islamic Studies on Cyberspace (OISC) the eighth live webinar titled "The Ideal Model of Muslim Woman Activism in Cyberspace" was held.

The eastern model represents a woman who has a passive personality and has little influence on society, her rule is not important and influential and she is only a consumer. Media audiences are divided into two groups: passive and active. Passive audience is influenced by the message sent through the media. This audience doesn't have the power to analyze communication messages; according to the eastern model women in cyberspace have passive attitude.

In contrast to the eastern model, the western model claims that the women are important and respected and women try to act in a way that they have equal rights with man. But the truth is not this. The truth is that the west has raised the issue of women liberation and freedom in order to use women in its own purposes.

The head of Nasim Hedayat group said: According to Islamic model, men and women regardless of their gender should be on the path of growth and perfection. In Islamic model women are active audience and have a creative and meaningful rule. The third model of Muslim woman activism is neither eastern nor western; it has been named the third model of the woman in the word of supreme leader.



## Dr. Mohd Ma'Sum Billah: In Cryptocurrencies A Reform is Essential



In an academic meetings Dr. Mohd Ma'Sum Billah said: The most important jurisprudential problem of Bitcoin is lacking of law. Therefore a reform is essential. On Tuesday, February 1, 2022, with the efforts of the Office of Islamic Studies on Cyberspace (OISC) the tenth live webinar titled “Cryptocurrencies from the point of view of jurisprudential rules and maqāṣid al-sharī” was held.

Pro Dr. Mohd Ma'Sum Billah said: It should be treated with current cryptocurrencies as commodity unless we have further research. Whereby we can treat the cryptocurrency as an alternative currency like during the time of the holy Prophet Muhammad that they have Dinner and Dirham. Why not, can have both fiat money, and also at the same time we have the alternative currency like cryptocurrency.

He added: Digital encryption using hash code is not enough. My suggestion here that in order to minimize the risk there should be a biometric encryption in addition to the digit. Reform in Regulatory and risk are essential as well. Standard Regulatory Frameworks shall be in Place. In their absence, the malpractice may take place and lead the system collapse. And risk plan shall be formalized against any defined catastrophe due to capital loss, technology failure, technical hazard and alike.

## Indonesia's Digital Literacy Index Increases

In the measurement of the Indonesia Digital Literacy Index 2021, Digital Culture has the highest score. The pillar of Digital Culture was recorded with a score of 3.90 on a scale of 5 or good. Furthermore, the pillars of Digital Ethics (digital ethics) with a score of 3.53 and Digital Skills with a score of 3.44. Meanwhile, the Digital Safety pillar got the lowest score (3.10) or slightly above average. The measurement of this digital literacy index is not only to find out the status of digital literacy in Indonesia but also to ensure that efforts to increase people's digital literacy are more targeted.



In 2021, the Ministry of Communication and Information Technology of the Republic of Indonesia has built a digital infrastructure that includes all aspects. The Ministry also has reorganised the radio frequency spectrum to optimise the quality of 4G network services, develop 5G networks, and make the Analog Switch Off (ASO) program a success.

## It Is Possible to Use Artificial Intelligence in Ijtihad

Monday, December 13, 2021, Hujjat al-Islam Dr. Ahmad Mobaleghi, A Member of Assembly of Experts, said: It is possible to use artificial intelligence in *ijtihād*, because AI can open up angles of vision that can help us in the process of *ijtihād*.

With the efforts of the Office of Islamic Studies on Cyberspace (OISC) the second session of a series of academic meetings on religion and cyberspace, titled “The Function of Artificial Intelligence in the Process of *Ijtihad*” was held.



In this meeting Dr. Mobaleghi considered access to comprehensive information as a necessary need for the faqīh is an Islamic jurist and said: “*Ijtihad* requires a huge amount of information. The function of artificial intelligence is to gather and find information. If AI has no other benefit than this, it will suffice. AI can deliver and process raw data. It can also provide combined information for the jurist based on different topics.

Rejecting the self-sufficiency of artificial intelligence in issuing fatwas, Dr. Ahmad Mobaleghi noted: “In the field of *ijtihād* artificial intelligence alone cannot be self-sufficient and reach the sharia ruling.” *Ijtihad* must pass through human intelligence, and the results of artificial intelligence must finally cross this path. *Ijtihad* is diligence and scrutinize in the tone of infallible sayings (peace be upon them). Jurisprudence and *Ijtihad* is understanding the taste of Shari’a and its ultimate goal. Inhuman intelligence does not understand it.



## Ayatollah Ramazani: Islam Can Form Media Moral Code



On Thursday, February 10, 2022, in a meeting with members of the media mobilization in Gilan province on the subject of media ethics, while pointing out that the statement of the second phase of the Islamic Revolution refers to ethics in various fields, Ayatollah Reza Ramazani stated, "A moral society is one in which people are adorned with moral behaviors." Referring to the deviant spiritualities in human society, the Secretary-General of the AhlulBayt (a.s.) World Assembly stated, "There are generally three types of spirituality: petrified spirituality, spiritu-

ality in which the man accept oppression, and worldly spirituality."

"To regulate the media ethics system in the world, we must have ethical standards, and Islam can form this moral code," he mentioned.

"In media ethics, the use of clear words is very important. But unfortunately, vague words have entered all areas," the Secretary-General of the AhlulBayt (a.s.) World Assembly stated, "If the media does not follow ethics, there will be media colonization and slavery. One of the tasks of the Islamic system is to deal aggressively and hybrid with the media that seek media slavery."

## For Qatar Awqaf Ministry introduces Islamweb's library, and its 13 mobile applications

The Ministry of Awqaf and Islamic Affairs is participating with a distinguished pavilion at the Doha International Book Fair (DIBF) to introduce its most prominent programmes, activities, services, publications, and online programmes to the public.

The Department of the Zakat Fund corner includes the most important publications related to the obligation of Zakat, educational brochures on Zakat, and the Zakat Fund's publications.

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