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## PROFESSOR EMERITUS DATO' DR. 'ABDULHAMĪD ABŪSULAYMĀN (1936 – 18 August 2021)

A RETROSPECTION BY A STUDENT OF LIFE



Professor Emeritus Dato' Dr. 'AbdulHamīd AbūSulaymān (Allāh yarhamuhu) was an internationally renowned action-oriented Islamic scholar, thinker, educationalist and author of many books and articles on Islam, Islamisation of human knowledge and Ummatic reformation. Many consider him the “Innovative Builder”, “Visionary” and “Transformational Leader”<sup>1</sup> of the International Islamic University Malaysia, and rightfully so. He was the second Rector of the University, a pioneer in her historical, intellectual, and socio-cultural landscapes.

## ENDNOTES

1. M. Kamal Hassan, "Remembering the Real Builder of IIUM: Prof. Emeritus Dato' Dr. Abdulhamid Abusulayman", (written by Prof M.Kamal Hassan as the former Deputy Rector to Dr. AbdulHamid AbuSulayman). Written shortly after the passing of Prof. Emeritus Dato' Dr. Abdulhamid Abusulayman.)
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8. Professor Emeritus Dato' Dr. 'AbdulHamīd AbūSulaymān breathed his last at the age of eighty-five, at Riyadh's Dallah Hospital on 18th August 2021. He was buried in a cemetery near al-Masjid al-Harām in Makkah on 20th August 2021. He was eighty-five. Tan Sri Professor Emeritus Dr. M. Kamal Hassan had passed on at the age of eighty, at the wee hour of 23rd February 2023, at Selayang Hospital, Selangor, Malaysia. HAMKA, or Haji Abdul Malik Karim Amrullah was born on 17th February 1908 in Agam, West Sumatra, and died on 24th July 1981 at the age of seventy-three. He was laid to rest at Tanah Kusir public cemetery in Jakarta, Indonesia.

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