

ONE Pearl from the Precious String

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Al-salāmu 'alaikum wa Rahmatu'Llāhi wa Barakātuh. Islamisation-Herald meets you again, now with issue 9 No. 3, December 2025 | *Jumādā al-Ākhir 1447*, bringing for you yet another pearl of wisdom from *Allāh yarḥamuhu* Emeritus Professor Tan Sri Dr. Mohd Kamal Hassan¹. Issue 8 No. 3 presents the second of four principles in dealing with differing schools of thought on IOHK. The third principle is as follows:

“ 8.2 Depersonalisation of the discourse

after recognising and acknowledging the positive contributions of ALL the major proponents.

The [Ummatic] project of IOHK in IIUM is a continuous process and its future progress could NOT be predetermined or dictated by the early proponents.

The depersonalisation emphasis will help to prevent the tendency among some ardent followers or disciples of the major scholars to promote or popularise their own school of thought to be regarded as the only genuine or orthodox school of thought, bearing in mind that

ONLY the Prophet ﷺ is *ma'sūm* (infallible).”

“ 8.3 Keep the discourse open to new and useful ideas

as long as they are based on

authoritative Islamic sources of knowledge,

bearing in mind that human knowledge continues to grow and even some aspects of Western-originated sciences

could also undergo **major paradigmatic changes** in the future, while the door of **legitimate ijtihād** is open to the **qualified scholars** and **intellectuals**.

Any tendency to claim finality or orthodoxy in the [IOHK] project would be **unjustifiable and premature**,

bearing in mind that **shortcomings** and **weaknesses** could be **found** or **detected** in the works of **even** the best scholars in the field².

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^{1, 2} Written based on M. Kamal Hassan, “Islamicisation / Islamisation of Human Knowledge in IIUM Context”, IIUM Ta’aruf and Intellectual Discourse (TIDE) #43, January 27th, 2014.