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36. POSSIBLE CORPUS FOR ISLAMIC MANUSCRIPTS

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ABSTRACT

This chapter presents on the possible corpus for Islamic manuscripts. Al-Furqan Foundation is committed to mobilize every available expertise to preserve this heritage and to restore these manuscripts and their content to cultural mainstream. The Morgan Library & Museum possesses a number of important Islamic manuscripts dating from the late middle ages to the 19th century. The Thesaurus Islamicus Foundation was founded to support and advance the protection, preservation and study of Islamic intellectual and artistic heritage.

36.1 Preservation of the Islamic Manuscripts

Several initiatives have been taken to revive the Islamic manuscripts. However, the works were done without proper institutions in place to support the conservation of knowledge resources, and thus, the preservation of Islamic manuscripts of historical significance have been neglected. This chapter discusses a few examples of the efforts done.

36.1.1 Al-Furqan Foundation

Al-Furqan Islamic Heritage Foundation was established in London in 1988 by the Yamani Cultural and Charitable Foundation lead by Sheikh Ahmed Zaki Yamani with the objectives of documenting and preserving