SYMPOSIUM ON CONTEXTUALIZATION AND RELEVANTIZATION OF RELIGION TO THE CONTEMPORARY WORLD

The University Management of IIUM has mandated the Kulliyyah of Islamic Revealed Knowledge and Human Sciences (KIRKHS) to actively take part in the Islamization agenda of the University. Islamization and Relevantization of knowledge and relating the two to everyday life is *the raison d’etre* and justification for IIUM’s establishment in 1983. As such, this symposium will be the platform for all 11 departments of KIRKHS to discuss relevantisation and contextualisation of religious sciences to research projects and courses offered by each respective department.

**THEME**

In 2013, Centre for Islamization (CENTRIS) published the *IIUM Policies and Guidelines on Islamization*. The work compromised of eight policy statements to provide the IIUM community with policies and broad framework for the Islamization agenda. The theme of the Symposium is policy statement no. 8: “IOHK, in the context of Islamic Revealed Knowledge and Heritage disciplines, necessitates the process of continuous improvement, *Iṣlāḥ* (reform), *Tajdīd* (renewal), *Iḥyā’* (revival), *Takāmul* (integration), and the use of *Ijtihād* (exercise of independent reasoning in facing new issues), in the curriculum of the respective Departments. This whole process of continuous educational reform may be summarised as the process of Relevantisation and Contextualisation in response to the major and rapid changes in contemporary human life and societies.”

**OBJECTIVES**

1. To create awareness among KIRKHS academic staff and students on the Islamization agenda of IIUM.
2. To bring Integration of research projects and sciences offered by KIRKHS.
3. To clarify the misconceptions in relation to IIUM Islamisation agenda.
4. To generate extensive commentary on the Islamisation policy statements especially statement no. 8.
5. To understanding the various connotations of the term Islamisation for academic purposes.
6. To generate Scopus quality papers for compilation in a book. The book will comprise 11 chapters, 1 from each of the departments.

**PANELISTS:** PAPER AUTHOR/AUTHORS FROM EACH DEPARTMENT OF KIRKHS.

**JOINTLY ORGANISED BY:** KIRKHS & CENTRIS

**DATE:** THURSDAY 5 JULY 2018

**TIME:** 10.00 AM TO 5.00 PM

**PROPOSED VENUE:** HS SEMINAR ROOM, LEVEL 3, HUMAN SCIENCE BUILDING