The Islam and Liberty Network is a platform for researchers, academics and public intellectuals with the mission to “explore and promote a Muslim case for freedom”, in the religious, economic, and political spheres through disseminating knowledge and developing human resources.

It is registered as a non-profit Labuan foundation in Malaysia and is governed by an international board of directors, all of whom except for the part-time CEO give their time freely.

Established in 2011 in Istanbul, formally incorporated in 2016
What we do?

We facilitate debate on ‘A Muslim Case for Liberty’ by:

• Publishing and disseminating high quality scholarly papers and articles;
• Developing a vibrant network of public intellectuals, scholars, and researchers; and
• Educating and training young researchers, writers, teachers and journalists working on Islam.

Our objectives:

• Annual International Conference leading to dialogue, papers and books
• Summer Workshop leading to training of young scholars
• Local seminars for public education particularly for students
• Weekly podcasts for scholarly debate and public education
• Monthly articles for scholarly debate and public education

Our Annual Programme comprises:
Organizational & Financial Matters

Governance: The ILN Council meets every quarter via Skype - members are: (in alphabetical order) Ali Salman, Mohammed Amin MBE, Dr. Edo Omercevic Linda Whetstone, Dr. Nouh Elharmouzi, Ozlem Caglar Yilmaz, Souad Adnane

We also have an Advisory Board: Dr. Atilla Yayla, Dr. Hisham El Moussaoui, Dr. Syed Kamall

Management: Staff comprises one full time associate and a part-time CEO, who gives one day per week, based in IDEAS Malaysia.

Partners:
- Iqbal Institute for Research & Dialogue, Islamabad, Pakistan
- Mofid University, Qom, Iran
- International Institute of Advanced Islamic Studies (IAIS), Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

Total income in calendar year 2018: $71,405
6th International Islam & Liberty Conference
Building Islamic Foundations for Open Markets

• Sponsored and hosted by IRD, International Islamic University Islamabad
• 18 speakers
• 12 countries
• About 500 participants
• Islamabad, Pakistan, 14-15 November 2018
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with leading public intellectuals

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Outline of Islam & Liberty Summer University, Qom, Iran. 16-20 July 2018

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- Islam and Economic Principles
- Economic Freedom & Entrepreneurship in Islam
- Economic Freedom - Views of Baqir Sadr
- Policies and Prospects of Free and Prosperous Iran
- Islam and recent challenges in international economic freedom
First book published...
Democratic Transitions in the Muslim World

- **Selected Chapters**
- Classical Muslim Political Theory
- Deconstructing Dilemma: Democracy versus Islam
- The Rise and Fall of Iranian Reformists
- A critical assessment of Hamas’ Democratic Transformation
- Malaysia: The Roots of a Democratic Society
- Evolving Interplay of Islam and Politics from Islamists to Islamic Democrats
Reprint:
Islamic Foundations of a Free Society

• The condition of social, political and economic thinking in the Islamic World from a classical liberal perspective
• Reason versus tradition, free will versus fate, interpretation versus literalism
• Welfare beyond the state: ‘ihsani’ societal-based welfare
• The individual, freedom of choice and tolerance in the Quran
• Economic freedom: the path to women’s emancipation in the Middle East and North Africa region
• Jihad and political change: a perspective based on Quranic sources
• Islam and politics today: the reasons for the rise of jihadism
• Islam and a free market economy: are they compatible?
Dženan Smajić
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Iran

ILN Fellows in four countries
ILN 2019 Plans

- 7th International Islam & Liberty Conference: Presenting an Islamic Case for Religious Freedom (Indonesia)
- 2nd Islam & Liberty Summer Workshop (Tunis/Malaysia)
- Weekly podcasts based on scholarly conversations on different intellectual dimensions of Islam and liberty
- Monthly articles on contemporary debates
- Publication of book based on 6th International Conference
- 8 Local Seminars (Pakistan & Afghanistan already organized)