



INFORMATION LETTER

Egyptian University of Islamic Culture Nur-Mubarak in collaboration with the Spiritual Administration of Muslims of Kazakhstan (SAMK), is pleased to announce the organization of an international academic and practical conference titled **«ISLAM IN CENTRAL ASIA AND KAZAKHSTAN: HISTORICAL TRADITION AND CONTEMPORARY PERSPECTIVES»**. The conference will be held on April 28, 2025, to commemorate the 35th anniversary of the establishment of SAMK as an independent muftiate.

Venue of the Conference: Egyptian University of Islamic Culture Nur-Mubarak, 73 Al-Farabi Avenue, Almaty, Kazakhstan.

Languages of the Conference: Kazakh, Arabic, English, Russian, and Turkish.

Conference Format: The conference will be held in both offline and online formats.

Researchers, specialists, and experts from Egypt, Kyrgyzstan, Uzbekistan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Russia, Turkey, and other countries will be invited to the conference.

The conference aims to investigate and analyze the historical evolution of relations between the state and Islamic institutions in Central Asia, and to explore effective solutions to the challenges that have arisen.

The objective of the conference is to examine the patterns of interaction between medieval and contemporary state authorities and Islamic institutions:

- Secular legal systems (including law, law codes, customs, Yasa, tuzuk, fiqh etc.)
- Educational institutions (literacy schools, madrasas, vocational schools, universities, etc.)
- Religious and scientific institutions in Islam (ijazah, scholars, mudarris, ishan, akhun, sheikh-ul-Islam, mufti, sheikh, qazi al-askar, naqib al-ashraf, hakim, munajjim, qazi, khatib, imam, mollah, religious administration, etc.)
- Customary law systems (sultanate, authority, sharia, folk courts, qazi, muhtasib, and other positions).
- Scholars within the bureaucratic system;
- Processes of modernization, Westernization, and reform aimed at optimizing social structures, intellectual life, and transforming medieval relations.

- Establishing a scientific framework for the development of traditional Islamic studies.

Plenary and Sectional Sessions of the Conference:

Plenary Session Topic:

- Secularism and religiosity in the practices of ruling dynasties in the history of Central Asian countries and Kazakhstan.

Sectional Session Topics:

- The classical period of Islam in Central Asian Countries (10th-12th centuries)
- The Period of Islam in Central Asian Countries Following Mongol Rule (13th–18th Centuries)
- The Colonial and Soviet Periods of Islam in Central Asian Countries (1731–1991)
- Islam Among Turkic Peoples of Central Asia During the Independence Period (1991–2025)
- State and Religion: Contemporary Strategies and Approaches.

Conference proceedings will be published as an electronic compilation in PDF format. Articles that do not meet the specified requirements will not be accepted. Authors are responsible for the content of their articles. The Organizing Committee and the Editorial Board reserve the right to select and publish articles submitted for the conference.

Scientific articles for the conference will be accepted only until April 10, 2025.

Registration for the conference is carried out through the website <https://confnmu.kz/>. Scientific articles must be submitted to the email address gylym@nmu.edu.kz.

Structure of a Scientific Article:

- **Abstract** (150 words) should be provided in three languages: Kazakh, English, and the language in which the article is written.
- **Keywords: 5–8 words.**
- **Introduction: 200–250 words.**
 - Justification of the research topic and the objectives and tasks of the scientific research.
 - Methodology of the scientific research.
- **Main body:** Findings and analysis of the research.
- **Conclusion and bibliography.**

Requirements for article formatting

- **Page Settings:** top margin: 2 cm; bottom margin: 2 cm; left margin: 3 cm; right margin: 1.5 cm.
- **Font:** font type: Times New Roman, font size: 12 pt
- **Line Spacing and Layout:** line spacing: single (1.0); paragraph indentation: 1 cm; page layout: book style, without headers and footers; text alignment: justified.
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- The file should be named with the first author's full name.
- **Number of pages:** 10-12.

Note: All research papers submitted for the conference will undergo a rigorous peer review process by three reviewers. Only papers that receive positive reviews from all three reviewers will be considered for presentation at the conference.

Papers presented at the conference will be published without charge in the conference proceedings. Electronic copies of the proceedings will be provided to all authors.

Submissions received after the deadline or that do not adhere to the specified guidelines will not be reviewed.

Responsible for the Conference:

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