

Translation of the Speech  
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*In the Name of Allah, the Merciful, the Compassionate,  
and peace and prayer's be upon the messenger of Allah*

Your Royal Highness, Prince Sultan Ibn Abd Al-Aziz,  
Your Royal Highnesses,  
Your Eminences,  
Your Excellencies,  
Winners of King Faisal International Prize,  
Distinguished Intellectuals

Al-Salam alaikum,

Welcome to this arena where we gather to celebrate knowledge and veracity and show appreciation to those dedicating their lives and availing their minds and energies to serve the welfare of humanity,

Tonight, you represent the light, culmination and truthfulness of human goodness at a time when the human mind is bewildered and the human values belittled.

Allow me to welcome you, select humans, and thank you.

Al-Salam alaikum.