

**PRESS RELEASE
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**Topic: Contributions to the Study, Verification and Authentication of
the Hadith**

The 1999 King Faisal International Prize for Islamic Studies (**Contributions to the Study, Verification and Authentication of the Hadith "Prophetic Sayings"**) is awarded to:

Shaikh Muhammad Nasir Ad-Din Al-Albani (Syria)

TOP ISLAMIC SCHOLAR AWARDED LEADING INTERNATIONAL PRIZE

Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, January 5....A top Syrian scholar in the field of Hadith, (Prophetic Sayings) has been awarded the 1999 King Faisal International Prize for Islamic Studies, one of a series of prestigious awards given annually by the King Faisal Foundation.

Shaikh Muhammad Nasir AI-Din Al-Albani is an outstanding scholar who has written, edited and verified more than 100 academic and major historical works for which he has been given the Prize.

He is a highly respected figure amongst scholars for his rigorous methodology in the study of Hadith. His influence in this area has had a significant impact on contemporary Islamic Studies in general.

Shaikh Nasir was formerly a Professor of Hadith at the Islamic University in Medinah, Saudi Arabia.