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In the name of Allah, Most Gracious, Most Merciful
Praise to Allah and peace and prayers upon the Messenger of Allah.

Dear guests,

I am pleased and honored to be among this elite assembly of scholars of thought, culture, and literature on an occasion when the diligent are valued at the level of international awards. This prize is honored to be one among them.

Praise be to God for facilitating the approach adopted by this prize where nominations, reviews, and then selections are independent. I was very pleased to receive compliments on its impartiality. We will continue to follow this approach which has already positioned King Faisal Prize highly and has affirmed its neutrality and success in stirring away from any prize divergencies, especially those of political nature.

In this Prize, those who deserve to be appreciated are recognized for their achievement in their respective field of thought, culture or service to humanity.

Praise be to God for the standard which this prize has achieved, thanks to your efforts, personality, culture, intellect, and neutrality. Hence, allow to applaud you.

I thank you and look forward to seeing you every year, God willing!