

TRANSLATION

Speech of HE. Professor
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2014 Winner of the King Faisal International Prize
For Islamic Studies

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In the name of Allah, the Merciful, the Compassionate

Your Royal Highness Prince Salman Bin Abd Al-Aziz,
Crown Prince, Deputy Premier, Minister of Defense,
Your Highnesses,
Your Eminences, Your Excellencies,
Distinguished Guests.

As Salamu Alaikum and may Allah's mercy and blessings be upon you.

Makkah Al-Musharrafa is the land of scholarship and scholars of every race and country. It is the land of glory.

The King Faisal International Prize is celebrating the festival of knowledge in the land of Islam – congratulations to our leader for the prestigious position that the Prize has accomplished, while bearing the name of a monarch whose faith in knowledge and in the Islamic nation was unparalleled.

I aspire for this Prize to accomplish even more glory, and pray to Allah to protect for this nation its rulers and for this Prize its people. I must also thank the Secretariat of the International Islamic Fiqh Academy of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation and all of its administrators for nominating me to the Prize, and all who have contributed towards me winning this award.

Praise be to Allah and Peace and Prayers be upon His chosen messenger and his chosen worshippers.

As-Salamu Alaikum and may the mercy and blessings of Allah be upon you.