

Concluding Remarks & Introducing the Salam Initiative (SI)

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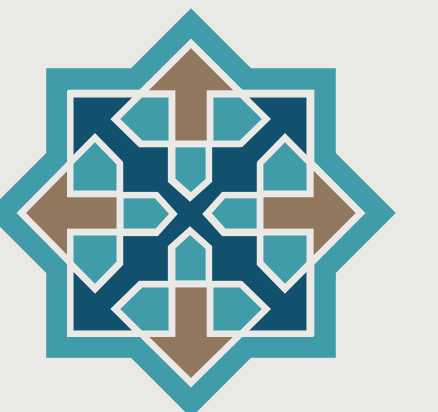


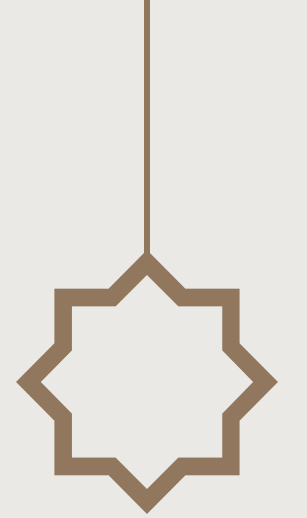
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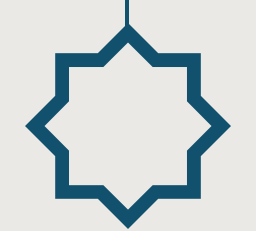
Karimullah Zirvi, PhD – Inaugural President of AAMS (1995-1999)

- PhD from the University of Louisville, Kentucky, through a Fulbright-Hays Award, had an illustrious scientific career
- Served Jamaat in various capacities
- Special issue: Al-Nahl - Tribute to the life of Professor Abdus Salam





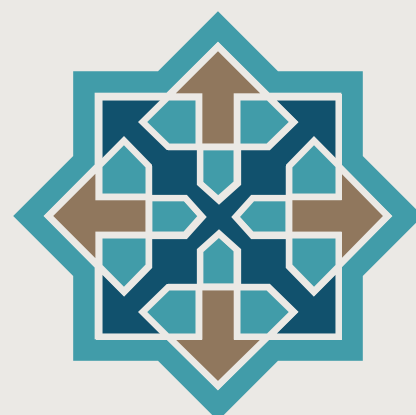
The 100 Abdus Salams Initiative (Salam Initiative)



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Mission: To Lead the Next Islamic Golden Age of Science and Technology



“May we soon come to witness the dawn of a new Islamic golden age of intellectual progress and advancement, led by Ahmadi Muslims across the world.” - AMRA UK Dec 2019



Vision: *Achieving 100 Abdus Salams*



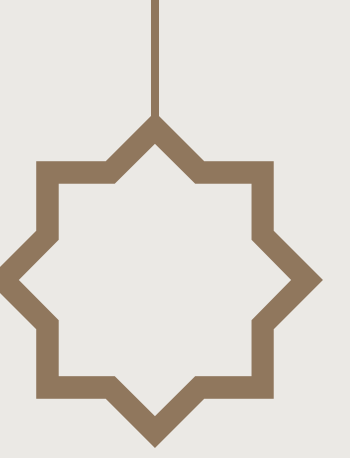
- “Follow in the footsteps of Dr Abdus Salam and those outstanding Muslim scholars... many centuries ago” (AMRA UK, 2019)
- “It was his [HKM III ra] ardent desire that at least 100 Ahmadi Muslims would soon follow in the footsteps of Dr Abdus Salam and become eminent scientists” (AMRA UK, 2019)
- Produce at least 1-2 [Abdus Salams] in the next few years (Zion, 2022)



What does it mean to be an Abdus Salam?

- . An Ahmadi Muslim who plays an “outstanding or extraordinary role in the scientific and intellectual development of the world”
- . Because of their faith
- . The Nobel Prize, or equivalent, is “a minimum target” along the way, but not the end game
- . The end game is to recognize the Unity of Allah and benefit humanity

You should become a 'Salam Fellow' if you:



- Are interested in a career in a field of science or technology
 - Broadly any field that has a scientific approach
 - STEM, economics, quantitative social sciences, etc.
 - Can be fundamental or applied sciences
- Have a keen desire to become an 'Abdus Salam'



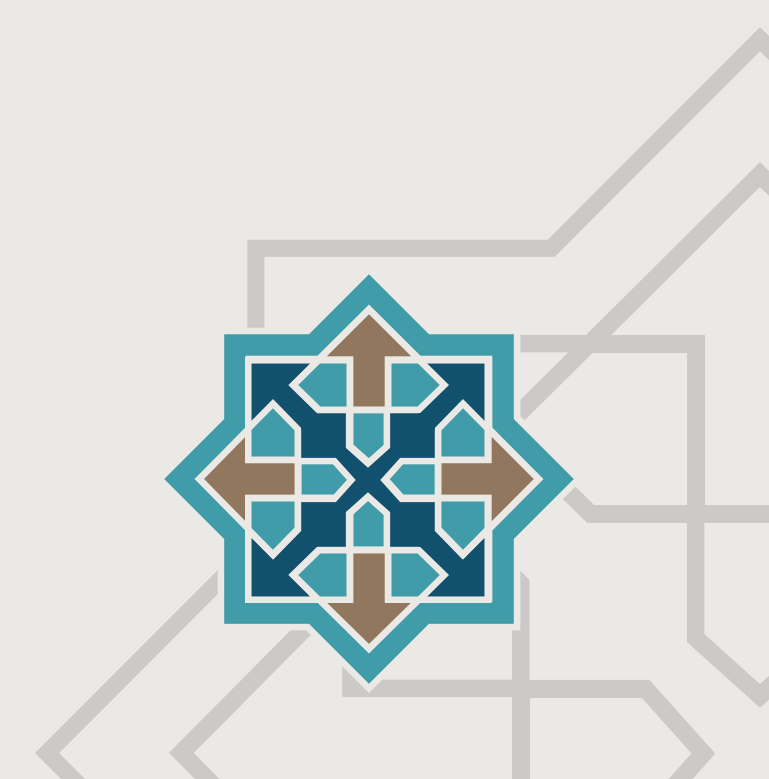
Tiers of being a ‘Salam Fellow’?

Salam tier I	Nobel, National/American Academy, or related field-recognized “top” award
Salam tier II	A highly respected field recognition award
Salam tier III	A tenured academic faculty or industry scientist who has established high impact or major emerging field recognition
Tenured Professor	
Tenure Track Faculty	
Graduate student or Post-doc	
College Student	Sign up voluntarily to go for the “Salam challenge”, maintain “top grades” in your area of interest, and participate in the Taleem mentoring/career advice programs. Any addition academic recognition gets a “+”
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6-8	Win one of the three K8 summer math prizes and take part in the math excellence competition. Those who get a prize in the competition get a “+” in the pipeline
K-5	Win one of the three prizes in the K8 summer math challenge



Next steps for the ‘Salam Initiative’



- Identify promising Abdus Salams who are close to the mark or are in the pipeline (Salam fellows)
 - Nurture their growth
 - Make them more visible in the Jamaat and on the outside
 - Honor in Jamaat venues; inspire others in the pipeline
 - Foster connections: Mentorship, mastermind affinity groups, career development workshops, ties with Jamaat and Khilafat
 - Point them towards the Holy Quran for guidance (QSS)
 - Use peer-identified metrics to mark their success
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