

Press Release

AMSS (UK) **BUILDING BRIDGES** AWARD 2012 to be presented to **PROFESSOR NABIL MATAR**

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Professor Nabil Matar

PROFESSOR NABIL MATAR will receive the award at the University of Cambridge during **A LECTURE HE WILL PRESENT ON:**

**HENRY STUBBE AND THE
PROPHET MUHAMMAD:
CHALLENGING
MISREPRESENTATION**

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**HRH Prince Alwaleed Bin Talal
Centre of Islamic Studies,
University of Cambridge**

The Award will be presented by the Chair of AMSS UK Dr. Anas S. Al-Shaikh-Ali, CBE, FRSA, in recognition of Professor Nabil Matar's pioneering scholarship on the relationship between Islamic civilization and early modern Europe as well as raising awareness of the historical roots of Western perceptions of Islam.

The Association of Muslim Social Scientists (AMSS UK), is a non-profit organization based in London and committed to the development of perspectives on contemporary local and global issues through research, scholarship, conferences and publications. The AMSS UK presents two annual Awards which are given to either one or two recipients: the Building Bridges Award and the Lifetime Achievement Award. The Lifetime Achievement Award was inaugurated in 2000 and the Building Bridges Award in 2002.

Previous distinguished recipients of the Building Bridges Award

Charles Le Gai Eaton (2003), Karen Armstrong (2004), The Archbishop of Canterbury Dr. Rowan Williams (2005), Prime Minister Jose Luis Rodriguez Zapatero of Spain and Prime Minister Recep Tayyip Erdogan of Turkey (2006), Professor Ekmeleddin Ihsnaoglu, Secretary General of the OIC (2007), A Common Word (2008), the British Council's 'Our Shared Europe' Project and '1001 Inventions: Muslim Heritage in Our World' (2009), Professor Ahmet Davutoglu (2010), Professor Jack Goody (2011).