



AMSS (UK) BUILDING BRIDGES AWARD 2011 Presented to **PROFESSOR JACK R. GOODY, KBE**

Emeritus William Wyse Professor of Social Anthropology St. John's College, University of Cambridge



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The AMSS UK is pleased to announce that its prestigious 2011 Building Bridges Award has been presented to Professor Jack R. Goody on 3 June 2011, at the University of Westminster during a lecture given by Professor Goody on **EUROPE AND THE NEAR EAST.**

The event was organised by:

- The Association of Muslim Social Scientists (AMSS UK)
- The Democracy and Islam Programme, Centre for the Study of Democracy, University of Westminster
- HRH Prince Alwaleed Bin Talal Centre of Islamic Studies, University of Cambridge

The Award was presented by Dr. Anas S. Al-Shaikh-Ali, CBE Chair, AMSS UK, who stated:

*"It is a great pleasure to give this Award to Sir Jack Goody who fully deserves it in recognition of his outstanding scholarship as well as pioneering work to raise awareness of the contributions of other cultures, societies and civilisations to Europe and the world. Professor Goody's two recent works *The Theft of History* and *Renaissances: The One or the Many?* are testament to his tremendous insight and erudition. At 92 years of age Professor Goody's drive and energy remain strong as he continues to write, study, and present lectures."*

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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 Ihsanoğlu, 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).