

Wednesday, November 26, 2025 (Day 1)		
Description	Details	Time
Opening Session	Openeng Reception - Art Exhibition: Good Works Factory	9:00 - 10:00 Ibn Haldun Main Campus
	Opening Remarks: Assoc Prof. Vahdettin Işık (Director, Alliance of Civilizations Institute), Prof. Parsifal Islas-Morales (General Coordinator, UNESCO Chair on Science Diplomacy and Scientific Heritage, UNAM), Prof. Mesut İdriz (Director of SIFHAMS, Sharjah University), Prof. Öcal Ögüz (President, Turkish National Commission for UNESCO) Hatice Akıncı Yılmaz (Chairwoman of TÜRGEV Board of Directors), Prof. Atilla Arkan (President of Ibn Haldun University),	10:00 - 12:00 Ibn Haldun Main Campus
	Opening Keynote: "Islamic Scientific Tradition in the Global Age" by Prof. Alparslan Açıkgenç	
Lunch Break		12:00 - 14:00
Thematic Panel 1: Cross-Continental Collaboration: Science Diplomacy, Cultural Bridges, and Counterflows	Chair: Heba Raouf Ezzat	
	- Baptiste Brodard, University of Fribourg, Switzerland: Recent (Re)connections Between Latin America and the Muslim World: Decolonial Politics, Ethics, and Liberation Theology (English)	
	- Muhammad Ayaz Naseem, Concordia University, Canada: Decolonizing Global Science through Epistemic Disobedience: A Preliminary Conceptual Framework (English)	14:00 - 15:30 Ibn Haldun Main Campus
Coffee Break		15:30 - 16:00
Thematic Panel 2: Contemporary Platforms for Cooperation: Science Diplomacy, Culture, and Climate Action	Chair: Önder Küçükural	
	- Aline Mendes da Silva and Afonso de Albuquerque, Federal Fluminense University (UFF), Brazil: From Telenovelas to Dizis: Dynamics of Cultural Counterflow Between Turkey and Brazil (English)	
	- Montserrat Marroquin Rodriguez, UNAM, Mexico: The Role of UNESCO Chairs in Latin American Science Diplomacy (English)	16:00 - 17:30 Ibn Haldun Main Campus
Dinner		18:00
Thursday, November 27, 2025 (Day 2)		
Description	Details	Time
Thematic Panel 3: Contemporary Platforms for Cooperation: Science, Digital Knowledge, and Heritage	Chair: Jairo Lugo-Ocando	
	- Fadia Boumjahed, Lebanese University, Lebanon: Arab Knowledge Networks in Latin America and the Age of Artificial Intelligence: Science Studies and the Challenges of Digital Interpretation (أشكال المعرفة العربية في أمريكا اللاتينية وعصر الذكاء الاصطناعي: أسئلة أوربية) (Arabic)	09:30 - 10:45 Ibn Haldun Main Campus
	- Saleh Muhammad Zeki Mahmood, University of Sharjah, UAE: Digital Preservation of Manuscripts and Historical Documents and Its Impact on Global Knowledge Exchange (الحفظ الرقمي للمخطوطات والوثائق التاريخية وأثره في التبادل المعرفي العالمي) (Arabic)	
Coffee Break		10:45 - 11:00
Thematic Panel 4: Building Knowledge Infrastructures of the Global South	Chair: Parsifal Islas	
	- Ahammed Ishac Chamebinka Ebrahim, Sakarya University, Türkiye: Bridging Oceans: Indo-Islamic Contributions to Cross-Continental Knowledge between the Muslim World and Latin America (English)	
	- Adeela Arshad-Ayaz, Concordia University, Canada: South–South Cooperation as Post-Abyssal Thinking: Creating “Southern” Knowledge Pathways between the Muslim World and Latin America (English)	11:00 - 12:30 Ibn Haldun Main Campus
Lunch Break		12:30 - 13:30
Visit to Historical Sites	Historical Visit to the Süleymaniye Complex: Süleymaniye Mosque, Süleymaniye Dar al-Shifa and the Medical Madrasa Süleymaniye Manuscript Library	14:30 - 15:30 Süleymaniye Quarter
Institutional Welcome	"Introduction to the Alliance of Civilizations Institute," Dr. Ercüment Asil (Deputy Director)	15:30 - 16:00 Süleymaniye Salis Madrasa, Alliance of Civilizations Institute
	Identifying and Preserving Scientific Heritage Through Open Science Delivered by: Dr. Parsifal Islas & Dr. Yudy Tibaduiza	16:00 - 18:00 Süleymaniye Salis Madrasa, Alliance of Civilizations Institute
Dinner		17:00 - 18:00
Friday, November 28, 2025 (Day 3)		
Description	Details	Time
Thematic Panel 5: Entangled Histories: Muslim–Latin American Encounters and the Cross-Continental Flow of Knowledge	Chair: Mesut İdriz	
	- Ali Çakus, Balıkesir University, Türkiye: Two Ottoman Subjects in South America: Priest İlyas Hanna al-Mawasilı (1675–83) and Shaikh Abdurrahman al-Baghdadi (1865) (English)	
	- Nesreen Ahmed Abdel Hamid, Al-Azhar University, Egypt: Cultura árabe-islámica en América Latina en los Siglos XIX y XX "Arab-Islamic Culture in Latin America in the 19th and 20th Centuries" (Spanish)	9:00 - 10:45
Coffee Break		10:45 - 11:00

"Opening Science to the World: Tensions Between Local Knowledge and International Science," Prof. Ana María Cetto (President of the UNESCO Open Science Steering Committee, UNESCO Chairholder on Science Diplomacy and Heritage) Keynote Speech			11:00-11:50
Break			11:50-12:00
Thematic Panel 6: From Language to Cosmos: Tracing the Scientific Heritage Linking the Islamic World and Latin America"	Chair: Nadia Alhasani - Anas Chakkala, Doha Institute for Graduate Studies, Qatar: Arabic Scientific Terminology in Colonial Spanish and Its Survival in Latin American Lexicons (English) - Sofia Benitez Villalobos, Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México (UNAM) & INAH, Mexico: From Natural Features to Gems of Extraordinary Value: Pinctada Pearls and Their Relationship with Mexico and the Islamic World (De aspectos naturales a gemas de extraordinario valor: las perlas de la especie Pinctada y su relación con México y el mundo Islámico) (Spanish) - Mashoor Ahmad Al-Wardat, University of Sharjah, UAE: The Observational Basis of the Heliocentric Theory: A Critical Review of the Evidence Used by Copernicus (مراجعة نقدية لنشأة الفرضية المركزية للشمس: مراجعة أدلة التي استخدمها كوبرنيكوس) (Arabic) - Safaa Benabdelmoumene & Fatima Belhaouari, Sultan Qaboos University, Oman: Scientific Exchange between the Islamic World and Latin America: From Andalusí Influence to Contemporary Partnerships (Spanish)		12:00 - 13:20
Lunch Break			13:20 - 14:00
Visit to Historical Sites	Guided visit to Topkapı Palace Museum followed by a historical walk to key sites in the surrounding area		14:30 - 17:30
Cultural Activities	Traditional Music Recital Turkish Art Experience: Traditional Turkish Craft Demonstration		17:30 - 18:30 Hocapasa Safveti Tekkesi (Safveti Dervish Lodge) TURGEV
Dinner			18:30