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Revisiting Islamic Ethics: Shifting Epistemologies and Boundaries

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Discourse on Islamic ethics is gaining renewed interest as Muslims in majority and minority settings are adapting to secularity, modernity, and plurality. Islam, as a religion, is being epistemologically challenged to respond to ethical problems during a time of unprecedented humanitarian and global crises. This challenge calls for a re-examination of Islamic ethics and its relevance in the contemporary world by examining values and creating a new framework using Islamic scriptural, historical, legal, philosophical, and mystical traditions. This framework would also acknowledge the intersecting relationship with ethical systems from various parts of the world. This call for papers invites scholars, practitioners, and researchers to explore multifaceted dimensions of Islamic ethics and its encounters with other religious (and nonreligious) traditions. We encourage contributions that demonstrate an epistemological turn in Islamic ethics emphasizing the interplay between Islamic classical scholarship and ethical dilemmas arising from issues of theology and philosophy, the environmental crisis, technological advancements, humanitarian crises, and global risks.

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