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ISLAMIC EXHIBITION AT THE 'BORSEN' DENMARK REPORT 2011

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Exhibition Islam

*Exhibition Report
for the 'Islam Exhibition'
at the 'Borsen' Copenhagen
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Exhibition Islam – in the heart of cultural Europe

Copenhagen is the capital of Denmark and the biggest city in Scandinavia. A bridge and tunnel called "Øresundsbroen" - connects Copenhagen with Sweden. The native name of Copenhagen is København and the population amounts to 1.8 million residents. The Danish Parliament is located in the Copenhagen.

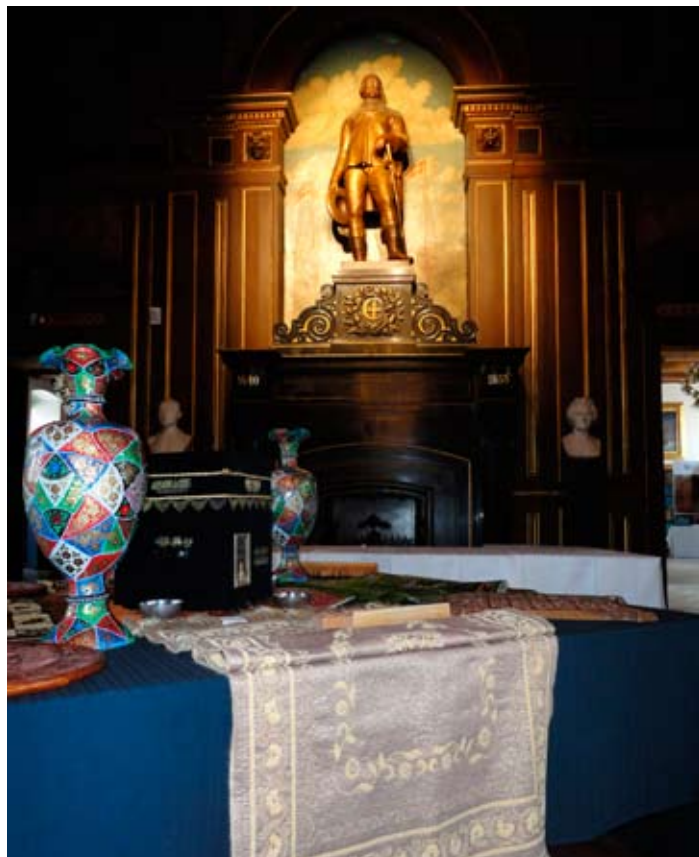
Approximately 3.2% of the population in Denmark is Muslim.

It is estimated that there are between 175,00 and 200,00 Muslims who live in Denmark.

The Islamic exhibition was hosted at one of the most iconic buildings of Copenhagen. The 'Borsen', renowned for its Dragon tail spire is one of the most unique, cultural buildings in Europe. The building is situated right beside the Danish Parliament.



The Danish Parliament commands the skyline in Copenhagen. Exhibition Islam delivered an exhibition on the 'Life of Prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him) in the Parliament square in 2006.



The Borsen building is a highly exclusive venue and showcases many relics and artefacts from Danish history.

This Islamic exhibition was delivered through a partnership of 3 organisations. These were:

- *The Global Commission for Introducing the Messenger
- *Exhibition Islam
- *Muslimer i Dialog

The Global Commission for Introducing the Prophet of Mercy is a non-profit organisation under the umbrella of Muslim World League.

Exhibition Islam is a UK based, world leader in Islamic exhibitions and has hosted hallmark exhibitions in a number of countries.

Muslimer in Dialog is a Copenhagen based organisation that seeks to create bridges between the Muslim and non-Muslim communities in the Danish context.

Opening speeches



Left to right: Dr. Adil Al-Shiddy (General Secretary – Global Commission for Introducing the Messenger), Aize Debsan Al Qahtani (Chairman of Trustees Shaikh Thani bin Abdullah Foundation), Mr. AbdulRahman Al Hadlg (Ambassador Kingdom of Saudia Arabia to Denmark)



Dr. Adil Al-Shiddi and Mr. Aize Al Qahtani with Exhibition Islam Manager Umar Ansari



Dr. Adil Al-Shiddi and Mr. Abdul Wahid Pederson (Patron of Muslimer i Dialogue) at the exhibition

Opening ceremony & exhibition tour



Visitors take a guided tour of the exhibition. The core material for the exhibition including themes on the 5 Pillars of Islam, The Life of Prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him), Women in Islam and The Noble Qur'an were all displayed in the Danish language. Exhibition Islam worked with translators in Denmark to get designs complete.



Umar Ansari from Exhibition Islam presents Ambassador Hadig with a copy of Exhibition Islam publications

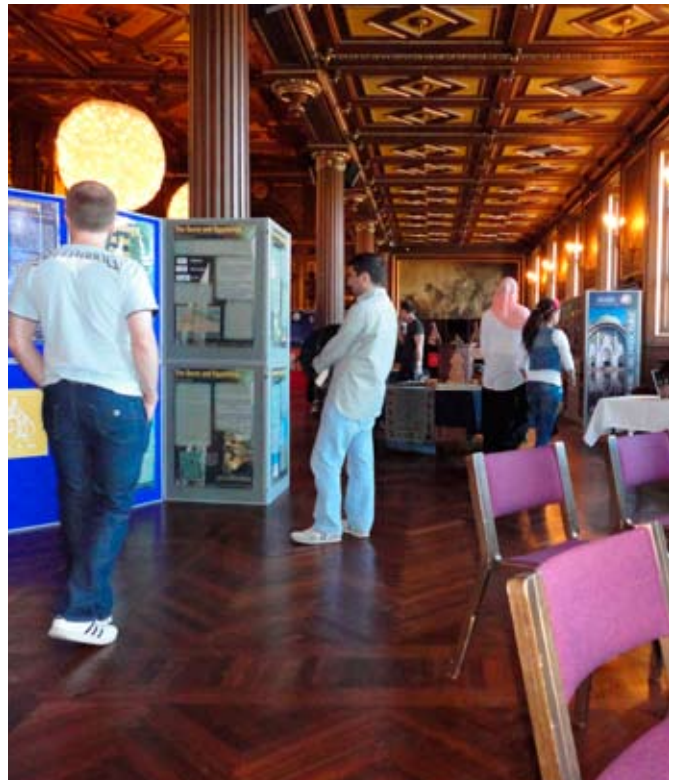


Dr. Asmat Mojaddedi, Chairman of the Muslim Council Denmark is gifted with 'The Islam Guide'

Views of the exhibition



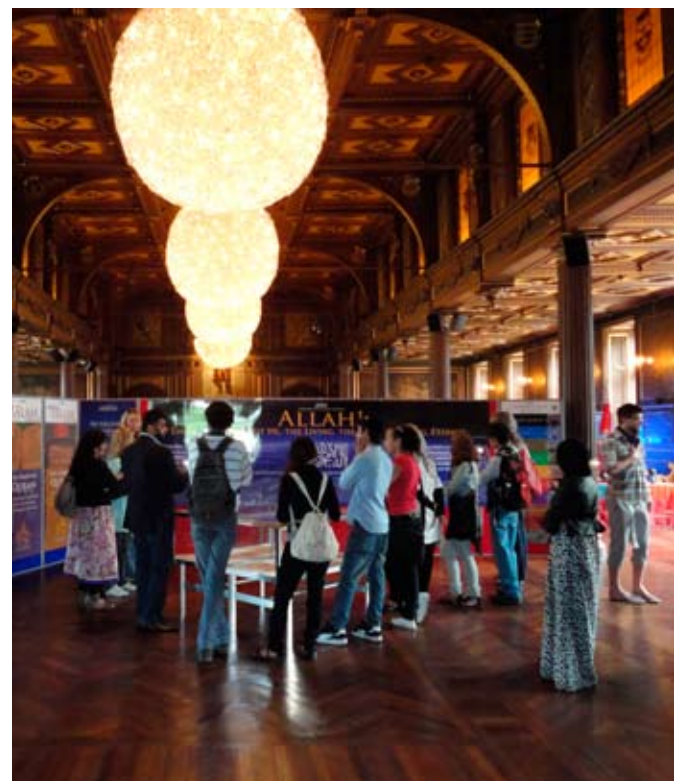
The exhibition displayed a variety of Islamic manuscripts that date back to many centuries.



Visitors at the exhibition.



Islamic art is well appreciated in Europe. Visitors are often intrigued with the complexity of Islamic art.



The exhibition complimented the historic architecture of the Borsen.

Views of the exhibition

The exhibition was attended by all segments of the Danish community.



Most visitors to the exhibition had never seen ancient Islamic manuscripts before, Exhibition Islam is renowned for its collection of manuscripts.



Visitors always have questions to ask our volunteers



The atmosphere at these types of events is relaxed and friendly



Exhibition Islam staff are always happy to engage in a friendly conversation with visitors.



To remove any obstacles in the understanding of Islam, posters are designed in Danish.

Views of the exhibition



A visitor learns about the life of Prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him)



The exhibition attracted a number of tourists, especially from Europe and America.



The exhibition attracted immense interest from the student community in Copenhagen



Many Danish women expressed their respect for Islamic guidance for Muslim women.



The exhibition was well attended by a number of Islamic schools and colleges in Copenhagen.

Views of the exhibition

"Exhibition Islam needs to continue serving the public in this glorious manner. In times of suspicion and polarisation of communities across Europe, Exhibition Islam gives us all hope that there are platforms where common people can come and share their views in a friendly atmosphere." Danish Visitor



Modern Islamic art in front of ancient European art.



Summary

The exhibition in Copenhagen proved that Muslims in Europe need to reach out to the European community to demystify the many misconceptions about the Islamic faith. Numerous visitors entered the exhibition with many misgivings about the faith, however they left the exhibition with a great deal of appreciation and respect for Islamic guidelines on morality, spirituality and social guidance. Exhibition Islam again proved to be an ideal medium for this type of cultural exchange.



Feedback and Recommendations

Overall the exhibition was well received by the public. However from an organiser perspective, it would be useful to improve on the below areas:

- 1- Better advertising for the event amongst the Muslim and non-Muslim community.
- 2- Increased participation of local volunteers during the exhibition hours.
- 3- More quantity of Islamic literature in the Danish language including Danish Qur'ans

“First of all, the exhibition at the Borsen was excellent. This is not only my opinion. It is also that of friends who viewed it, amongst whom were non-Muslims who felt that they were treated really well, given a lot of attention and to whom all courtesy was extended. They left the exhibition feeling that Islam was a glorious faith and had much to offer modern Europe”. Exhibition Visitor

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