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La Pira Library's Network for Universal Humanity in Palermo

The Network for Universal Humanity (NUH) was founded following a conference discussion on 24-25 June 2019 among scholars of different institutions that convened at [La Pira Library and Research Center on the History and Doctrines of Islam](#), the Fscire research pole, established in Palermo as part of the Foundation's research. The Network's full name "SAFINAT NUH", which literally means "Noah's Arch" in Arabic, reflects its ambition to bring diverse voices together for a shared ethics of civility and recognition.

The Network is composed of scholars and researchers of Islam, and aspires to expand to include professionals, religious leaders and members of civil society across different countries.

Its goal is to highlight Islamic pluralism, and to draw attention to the multiple ways of living the Muslim faith by bridging the pressing challenges of the contemporary world with the rich and plural history of the Muslim tradition and heritage, and by sharing knowledge, resources and interactive tools for dialogue, to catalyze a process of personal and collective growth, enrichment and diversity.

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