Towards a Robust University Ranking

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Vision

Establish a system that respects the value of knowledge and linking them with wisdom, faith and moral values that verify the value of human as successor of God on earth.

Mission

Rediscover the ranking systems of universities in a way that empower universities to explore their capabilities, potentials and improve their performance in a scientific manner that help in promoting their services to their communities and nation and empower them for international leadership.

Ranking Prospective

To accomplish this mission it is necessary to lay a frame work and criteria for formulating indicators for ranking universities according to the existing international criteria without jeopardizing the uniqueness of the Islamic world as a world selected for revelation and the right source of knowledge.

These prospective should include:

- Quality Assurance & Excellence as an indicator used by the International Union for Higher Education and the European Organization for Quality EOQ. These indicators can be used for benchmarking.
- University strategic plan which enable measuring institutional growth and development.
- The social responsibility of universities and their linkage with community including their collaboration with industry, service sector and universities.
- Knowledge production and initiatives that support the Islamic vision of knowledge and disseminate its concepts and values.

The Anticipated Outcomes

The anticipated outcomes of looking to the existing ranking systems from these prospectives are:

- To review and evaluating their advantage, disadvantages and their relevance to our universities and values.
- Adopting indicators that reflect and meet the real needs of local communities, economic and social needs of the Islamic countries.
- Highlighting core values and behaviors.
- Rooting back knowledge and highlighting different aspect of innovation, creativity and the miracle behind it.
- The added value on the quality of global knowledge as a result of researching and reflecting into knowledge cited in Quran and sunnah.
- International Research and its role in the development of global knowledge.

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