

Figure of the Year 2011 **Sohail Farah**

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Nationality: Lebanese, Russian

Education: - Doctor of Science in Philosophy

Languages: - Arabic, Russian, French, English (fair).

Profession: -Writer and Professor.

Educational activities:

- 1984 - 1991: Lecturer at the Institute of Philosophy at Oran University – Assanya, Algeria.
- 1991 - Present: Professor of Philosophy and Civilizations at the Literature and Human Sciences Faculty at the Lebanese University.
- 2005: Professor visitor at the Governmental University of Nijny Novgorod
- 2007: Professor visitor at the Governmental University of Moscow.

Social Activities, Titles, Memberships, Grants, and Medals:

- Chief Editor of the “Partnership of Civilizations” Magazine, Arabic Version since 2011.
- Elected “Figure of the Year 2011” the 21st of December 2011 in Russia in the Science Domain for contributing to the Theory of Dialogue and Partnership of Civilizations, convergence of Christianity and Islam, and for deepening the Cultural and Scientific Relations between Russia and the Arab World.
- Member of the Supreme Commission in the Global Forum of Spiritual Culture, Astana - Amsterdam, 2011.
- Awarded Puchkin’s Medal by the President of the Russian Federation, Dimitri A. Medvedev, at the Kremlin the 20th of June, 2011.
- Member of the Presidency of the Russian Cultural Forum in The Governmental University of Moscow of Culture and Arts, 2010 - 2011.
- Elected Vice President of the International Institute of Pitirim Sorokin - Nikolay Kondratiev the 2nd of April, 2010.
- Granted the Pitirim Sorokin Golden Award by the Presidency of the Russian Academy of Sciences for developing the Theory of Dialogue and Partnership of Civilizations the 25th of March 2009.
- Elected Russian Active Member in the Russian Academy of Natural Sciences the 22nd of April, 2008.
- Coordinator of the Workshop concerning Religions and the Middle East in the periodic annual conferences organized by the Word Social Forum for Dialogue among Civilizations in Rhodes, 2005 - 2008.
- Awarded the Golden Medal for contributing to the friendship between different cultures, 2005.
- Rewarded for contributing to the friendship between Russian and Lebanese people, 2003.
- Elected member of the Future Studies Academy, 2001.
- Elected member of the Russian Academy of Education in 2001.
- Awarded the International Medal of Pouchkine from the Vice-Prime Minister and the Minister of the Russian Education Mr.Yogorof Y, 2000.
- Scientific award for encouraging activities aiming to revive and develop the cultural and scientific relations between Russia, Lebanon and the Arabic Orient awarded by the Governmental University of Nijny Novgorod, the Russian Palestinian Empire Organization, and the ROMO establishment for international relations, 1999.
- Member of the Founding Commission of the Arab Philosophical Association in Amman, Jordan.
- Member of the Arabic Group Treating the Christian-Muslim Dialogue.
- Founder and President of the Lebanese-Russian House.
- Scientific counselor for several cultural and social regional and international organizations.
- Participant in several scientific and cultural seminars and conventions in Lebanon, Syria, Jordan, Iraq, Yemen, Algeria, Morocco, Russia, Greece, Cuba, Montenegro, Slovenia, Kuwait, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, Bahrain, United States, France, Kazakhstan, Qatar and other.
- Contributor in the organization of 8 international scientific conventions in Algeria, Lebanon, Russia, United States, Greece, France, Kazakhstan, and Serbia.

Published Books:

1 - The Contemporary Laicism between our Religion and our World.

Publisher: Arabic Cultural Center, Rabat - Beirut, 1997 (in Arabic).

2 - Christianity and Islam: The Experience of Laicism.

Publishers: Ministry of the Russian Education and the Governmental University of Nijny Novgorod, Russia, 1999 (in Russian).

3 - Orthodoxy in the Russian and Levant Worlds: A Social-Cultural approach. Publishers: Ministry of the Russian education and the Governmental University of Nijny Novgorod, Russia, 1999 (in Russian).

4 - Russia and the Arab Orient: Meeting of the Two Cultures.

Publishers: ALBA University and the Lebanese-Russian House; Editor and Co-author: Soheil Farah, Beirut, 1998 (in Arabic and Russian).

5 - Russia and the Arab Orient: Meeting of Two Cultures.

Publisher: UNESCO, Beirut, 2002 (in Arabic, Russian, and summary in English and French).

6 - Russia and the Arab Orient: Diversity of Cultures.

Publishers: UNESCO and the Lebanese-Russian House, Beirut, 2005 (in Arabic and Russian).

7 - Dialogue and Partnership of Civilizations: Basic concepts, Ideas, and Technicalities.

Publishers: The Governmental University of Nijny Novgorod and the Lebanese University, Russia, 2006 (in Russian), 2009 (in Arabic).

8 - Russian and Arabic Mentalities: Questions of Culture and Faith (Comparative Analysis).

Publisher: The Governmental University of Nijny Novgorod, Russia, 2007 (in Russian).

9 - Dostoevsky: God, Human, and Civilization.

Publisher: Notre Dame University Louaize, Lebanon, 2008 (in Arabic, English, French, and Russian).

10 - Secular Spirituality and Religion: The experience of Christianity and Islam.

Publishers: Governmental University of Moscow and the Moscow State Institute for International Relations, Russia, 2008, (in Russian).

11 - The Russian Civilization: Questions about Identity and the Arab "Other".

Publisher: Ala' El Din Publishing House, Damascus, 2009 (in Arabic).

12 - Dialogue of Civilizations and International Relations.

Publisher: The Governmental University of Nijny Novgorod, Russia, 2009 (in Russian).

13 - Dialogue and Partnership of Civilizations in the Cultural and Religious Domains.

Publisher: Madina Publishing House, Russia, 2010 (in Russian).

14 - Civilizations and Religions: Questions of the Present and the Future (Readings in the Thoughts of Soheil Farah).

Publisher: Oran University, Algeria, 2010 (in Arabic, English, French, and Russian).

15 - Puchkin: Questions about Religion and the World.

Publishers: Notre Dame University Louaize and the Lebanese-Russian House, Beirut, 2011 (in Arabic, English, French, and Russian).

16 - The Russian Civilization: Meaning and Fate.

Publisher: Ala' El Din Publishing House, Damascus, 2012 (in Arabic).

Participation in Writing in the Following Books and Magazines:

1 - The Contemporary Arabic Philosophy.

Publisher: Arabic Union Studies Center, Beirut, 1988 (in Arabic).

2 - Russia and the Orthodox of the Orient.

Publisher: University of Balamand, Lebanon, 1996 (in Arabic).

3 - The Russian Orientalism in 100 years.

Publisher: The Governmental University of Leningrad, Moscow, 1981 (in Russian).

4 - Dialogue and Interaction between the Eastern and Western Civilizations. Publisher: The Philosophical Arab Association, Jordan, 2001 (in Arabic).

5 - The Russian Orthodox Church and the Contemporary Philosophical Mind. Publishers: Center of Human Sciences and the Governmental University of Nijny Novgorod, Russia, 2001 (in Russian).

6 - The Eastern and Western Confrontations of Globalization.

Publisher: The Pitirim Sorokin - Nikolay Kondratev International Institute, Moscow, 2001 (in Russian).

7 - The Unity and Diversity of Ethnicities and Civilizations in the Contemporary World.

Publisher: The Philosophical Russian Association, Nijny Novgorod, 2001 (in Russian).

8 -Towards a Rational Dialogue between the Christian and Muslim Worlds: Publisher: World Public Forum: Dialogue of Civilizations Bulletin No: 2, Rhodes, 2005 (in English).

9 - The Russian Culture: Identity and Fate

Publisher: World Public Forum: Dialogue of Civilizations Bulletin No: 10, Rhodes, 2006 (in English).

10 - Long Term Strategy for Dialogue and Partnership of Civilizations in the Scientific, Educational, and Cultural Domains.

Publisher: The Pitirim Sorokin - Nikolay Kondratev International Institute, Moscow, 2008 - 2012 (in English and Russian).

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Researches and Articles Published:

1977 - 2012: Publication of 285 researches and articles in Arabic, Russian, French, and English in periodic scientific newspapers in many countries treating the following subjects:

- Russian Orientalism and the Arabic culture.
- The cultural issue in the Arabic contemporary philosophical mind.
- Laicism and Religion.
- The Lebanese and Oriental cultural identities.
- The Russian cultural identity.
- Philosophy of Science.
- Philosophy of Religion.
- Dialogue and Partnership of Civilizations and Religions.