



# Sustainable Development Goals



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Cities are hubs for ideas, trade, culture, science, production, social development, and other human activities. They play a crucial role in enabling people to achieve social and economic advancement. It is essential to mobilize support to ensure that policymakers are convinced of the need to include access to information in national and regional development plans.

The Alnoor Center for the Preservation of Cultural Heritage, in cooperation with the Unit of Oriental Studies at the University of Mosul and the French-Iraqi Cultural Institute, organized a scientific seminar titled “Arabic Literature in Oriental Studies.” The session was chaired by Dr. Nabil Nour al-Din Hussein, Director of the Alnoor Center for the Preservation of Cultural Heritage at Alnoor University, and included participation from Dr. Mohammed Zuhair Zaidan, Director of Cultural Relations at Alnoor University and Director of the French-Iraqi Cultural Institute, Dr. Fares Aziz Al-Mudarris, and Mr. Mahmoud Browari from the Unit of Oriental Studies at the University of Mosul. The seminar provided an analytical review of the literary, philosophical, and intellectual approaches used in Oriental studies in addressing Arabic literature, from their methodological formation in the seventeenth century to the present day. At the conclusion of the seminar, participants emphasized that the Arabic library still suffers from a clear shortage of modern publications documenting the developments in Oriental studies in recent decades, highlighting the importance of revisiting new contributions that offer perspectives and methodologies different from the traditional approaches of past centuries. The seminar was attended by a distinguished group of researchers and specialists in history and archaeology, as well as a number of cultural enthusiasts from the city of Mosul.

