

Muslim scientists offer an example

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I am very pleased to hear about such historical exhibitions in our region and beyond in an age when we are constantly surrounded by images of mediocrity and violence, *Islamic scientific history contradicts today's extremists* (March 28).

The Islamic science show "1001 Inventions" will motivate many across the world to appreciate the role models, both men and women, who have built a foundation of civilisation despite all the harsh challenges they faced.



A look inside "1001 Inventions: Discover the Muslim Heritage in Our World". A reader extols the ability of the exhibit to raise awareness of the scientific heritage of the Arab and Muslim world. **Courtesy London Science Museum**

Ibn Sina, the great "medieval" era physician, mathematician and astronomer, never could stay in one place for more than several years owing to political turmoil, and yet produced great scientific and cultural literature and discoveries. An outstanding lesson for our own uncertain times.

Mohammed Abdul Latif Jameel should be commended for sponsoring this event, as well as his own pioneering role in founding MIT's Poverty Center and the microfinance initiative, Grameen-Jameel, that are revolutionising through evolution.

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