

AMI Speakers Guidelines

Our Commitment to Meaningful and Respectful Dialogue

As a charity, we are dedicated to fostering a respectful, educational, and inspiring environment for our community. Our events welcome speakers who share knowledge, experiences, and insights in a way that aligns with our values and responsibilities.

As an Open Platform for Critical Muslim Scholarship, we encourage rigorous intellectual engagement and diverse perspectives in the pursuit of knowledge. These guidelines outline our expectations for guest speakers to ensure all events maintain the highest standards of respect, legality, and inclusivity.

What We Expect from Our Speakers

1. Alignment with Our Values

Speakers should uphold ethical and moral standards, ensuring content is respectful, inclusive, and beneficial to the audience.

Discussions should encourage understanding, unity, and personal or community development.

2. Compliance with UK Law & Charity Regulations

All content must adhere to UK legal requirements, including those set by the Charity Commission and other relevant authorities.

Talks must not:

- Promote hate speech, discrimination, or divisive rhetoric.
- Endorse political agendas, extremist views, or any content that could incite violence.
- Contain misleading, false, or unverified information.

3. Respectful & Constructive Engagement

Speakers should present content in a balanced, engaging, and well-researched manner. Any religious or theological discussions should be delivered with sensitivity and respect for different perspectives. Q&A sessions should be moderated and constructive, allowing for healthy discussion without confrontation.

Whilst we allow and encourage criticism of thoughts and belief systems, we do not tolerate abusive or obscene language. All discourse should be conducted in a manner that fosters intellectual growth and mutual respect.

4. Event & Speaker Management

To ensure alignment with our mission and values, we may request an overview of the topic or key discussion points ahead of the event.

Speakers should adhere to the agreed topic and ensure their delivery is professional and respectful.

Our team reserves the right to intervene if necessary to ensure discussions remain appropriate for the audience.

We welcome feedback from our audience and speakers to continually improve our events.

5. Safeguarding & Community Responsibility

We are committed to maintaining a safe environment for all attendees, particularly children and vulnerable individuals. Speakers must adhere to AMI's safeguarding policy and avoid unsupervised one-on-one interactions with minors or vulnerable people.

6. Disclaimer on Speaker Views

The views expressed by guest speakers are their own and do not necessarily represent the views of AMI. While we provide a platform for diverse scholarly engagement, AMI remains committed to fostering discussions that align with our core values and ethical principles.

By accepting an invitation to speak at one of our events, speakers agree to respect these guidelines and contribute positively to our community.

We appreciate your support in creating meaningful, respectful, and impactful discussions.

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