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"Leadership" –

**Muslim Professionals Come Together to Discuss Leading in a New Landscape
The Council for the Advancement of Muslim Professionals (CAMP)
Hosts 3rd Leadership Summit – FINAL KEYNOTE MIR IMRAN ANNOUNCED**

Muslim professionals from across the US and Canada will come together in Plainsboro, New Jersey (near Princeton) on May 2nd, 2009 to attend the [3rd Annual Leadership Summit](#), hosted by the Council for the Advancement of Muslim Professionals ([CAMP](#)). This year's Summit is entitled "Leading in a Changing Landscape."

What:

The event is an all-day conference for Muslim Professionals from varied professional backgrounds – private, public and non-profit. Participants will discuss and build on the theme "Leading in a Changing Landscape."

We are in the midst of the worst economic and financial crisis since the Depression, and many Americans are facing fear and anxiety. However, America also witnessed a historic election in 2008 and is now enjoying the first days of a new landmark administration. We, as Muslim Americans, participated in greater numbers than ever before in Election 2008, making our own mark in the momentous election season. In this "Era of Responsibility," President Obama has called on all Americans to cultivate a spirit of service towards our cities and communities.

How do we best equip ourselves to deal with these challenging economic times? How do we continue to increase our level of political participation and civic engagement? And how do we continue to develop the Muslim American identity, while also answering our new President's and our country's call to service?

We will discuss these questions and more through keynote addresses, a plenary panel session (Professional Ethics and Islam) and parallel sessions on three tracks – business, political/civic and civil society.

Over 30 Muslim leaders and over 300 Muslim professionals from across the US will be in attendance.

Conference goals include:

- Creating a space for Muslim professionals across industries to discuss collective experiences and gain inspiration.
- Moving beyond social networking among professionals toward a platform of professional learning and social development.
- Developing a strategy to harness the potential of Muslim professionals as critical players in the community.
- Continuing to shape the Muslim American identity.

- Who:** Keynote speakers include:
- **Mir Imran** - Managing Director, InCube Ventures and President and CEO, InCube Laboratories, founded [InCube](#) Ventures and InCube Laboratories to focus on his passions: creating medical device solutions that change the standard of care in critical healthcare markets. Mir is a med-tech entrepreneur and has founded over 20 medical device companies. He is one of the world's most successful inventors, entrepreneurs and investors in healthcare. Mir Imran is being inducted into the Rutgers Hall of Distinguished Alumni on May 2, 2009.
 - **Dr. Abd al-Hakim Jackson** - Co-founder of the American Learning Institute for Muslims ([ALIM](#)), he has a Ph.D from the University of Pennsylvania in Oriental Studies - Islamic Near East. Presently, he is Professor of Arabic and Islamic Studies, Visiting Professor of Law, and Professor of Afro-American Studies at the University of Michigan.
 - **Shirin Tahir-Kheli** - Former Senior Adviser to the Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice for Women's Empowerment; She highlighted the importance of Women's Empowerment as an element of U.S. foreign policy and designed programs to implement that goal. She was especially focused on engaging women of the Muslim world.

Select panelists include:

- **Shahed Amanullah** - Editor-in-chief of [altmuslim.com](#), an online newsmagazine for Muslim Americans.
- **Tariq Farid** - Founder, President and CEO of [Edible Arrangements](#) International, Inc.
- **Farhana Khera** - President and executive director of [Muslim Advocates](#), a national legal advocacy and educational organization.

Major sponsors include:

- [Islamic Relief](#)
- [Zaytuna Institute](#)

When: Saturday, May 2, 2009

Where: Wyndham Princeton Forrestal Hotel and Conference Center, Plainsboro, NJ (near Princeton)

Info: For more information and to register, visit <http://www.campsummit.info> and facebook <http://bit.ly/campsummit09>

CAMP, established in 1994, has with a membership base of thousands of professionals, and chapters in the US and Canada. CAMP's mission is to promote the development of Muslim professionals by enhancing their understanding of mainstream corporate culture and values, through interactive programs designed to help members develop professionally. CAMP members include highly educated and successful Muslim professionals from various backgrounds, focused on helping the community and making a difference in society.