

Kitāb Bilawhar wa-Būdāsaf and early Arabic book printing: Ms. 1633 of the Hamdani collection revisited

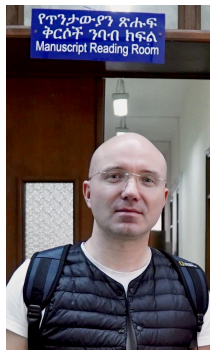
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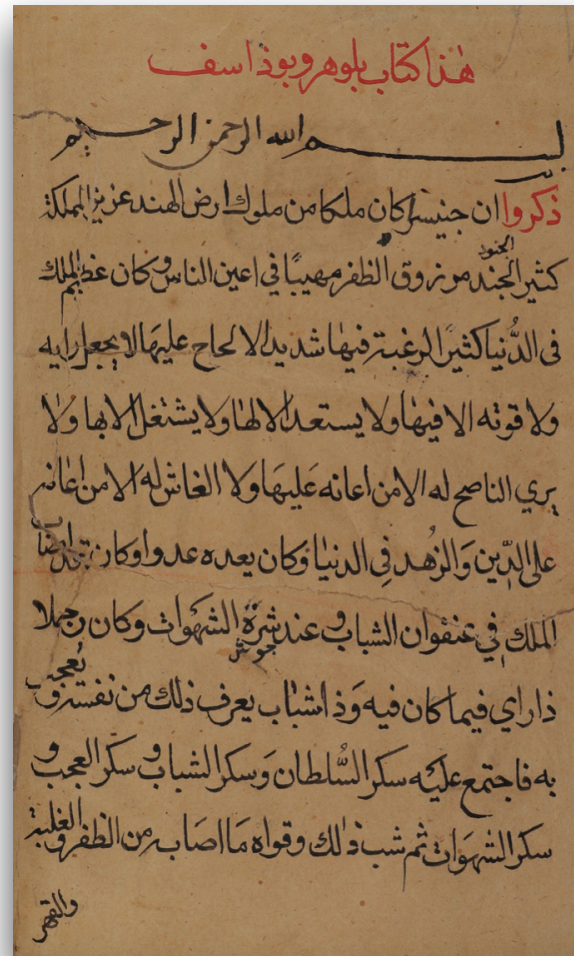
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Ms. 1633, the Hamdani collection, fol. 1b.

Ms. 1633 of the Hamdani collection in the Institute of Ismaili Studies in London features a unique Arabic version of *Bilawhar wa-Būdāsaf*, an outstanding work of world literature known as *Barlaam and Josaphat*. In his talk, Kirill Dmitriev will present new findings related to this Arabic source of the legend and discuss its reception in the context of early Arabic book printing.

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