



## **Aga Khan University (AKU)**

*Benchmarking the Institute for the Study of Muslim Civilisations and Cultures (ISMC) Master's degree in Muslim Cultures*

### **Understanding the Client's Aims**

The Institute for the Study of Muslim Civilisations and Cultures (ISMC), a UK-based institute and constituent unit of the Aga Khan University (AKU), Pakistan was seeking an independent external assessment of their MA in Muslim Civilizations and Cultures in the context of the British Higher Education system with the aim of facilitating recognition of the programme in the UK and globally.

### **The UK NARIC Approach**

UK NARIC used its tried and tested methodology, involving an in-depth examination of core qualification components including qualification design, assessment and quality assurance procedures. Programme delivery was also reviewed through a site visit to the AKU-ISMC campus.

### **Delivering Quality Results**

The report provided a clear and reasoned recommendation of comparability for the AKU-ISMC MA programme, that could be used to facilitate recognition by national and international stakeholders.