Two Indonesian Islamic Journalists organizations, Forjim and Jitu, have completed their National Congress. They realize that they have to face three different three challenging conditions.

To make sure that they would not fall into becoming tools of propaganda especially due to the strengthening waves of Islamophobia in the country. Unless making Islamic media strong, the image of Islam would become from worse to the worst.

To be able to develop a better world civilization in the long run, and to develop the balanced information in the short run. This way the people would not only be exposed to partial contents especially in dealing with religious issues.

To be able to increase the quality of the democracy in the country by encouraging the people to participate in strengthening the meaning of development in their own regions.

The concrete steps to take are to increase their human power as Islamic journalists; to deepen their understanding on Islamic ideology that an Islamic journalist is to conduct jihad in the media by insisting humanitarian values for the sake of having a better civilization; to prosper Islamic journalists does not mean opposing them to sincerity; and to carry quality contents.

Source: by RT, muslimdaily/artikel/penguatan-kelembagaan-media-islam.html, "Penguatan Kelembagaan Media Islam (The importance of strengthening Islamic media institutions in Indonesia)", in Indonesian, 17 Jan 18.