

The **Sheikh Zayed Book Award** revealed its shortlist of contenders. The list, for the 10th year of the award, includes two titles in French, one in English and four publishing houses. The titles named are nominated for the Arab Culture in Other Languages award, while the publishing houses – Asala Publishing and Dar Al Saqi from Lebanon, Obeikan Publishing, from Saudi Arabia and Dar Toubqal from Morocco – have been nominated for the Publishing and Technology award. The English title nominated is *The Medieval Islamic Republic of Letter, Arabic Knowledge Construction*, by Iraqi writer Muhsin J Al Musawi, a work of literary history.