Acknowledgements

I am grateful to my grandparents for their immeasurable favours upon me. I am also grateful to:

- Professor Anthony Carty who encouraged me, made valuable comments and gave great support. He was most caring and always supportive;
- Professor Khaled Abou El Fadl to whom I am grateful for writing the foreword and for his support and encouragement (University of California, Los Angeles);
- Professor Jean Allain who generously offered valuable comments on the first two chapters (Monash University);
- Associate Professor Marie-Luisa Frick who kindly wrote an endorsement for this book (University of Innsbruck);
- Associate Prof. Mohd Hisham Mohd Kamal (International Islamic University Malaysia);
- Dr Rohimi Shapiee (Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia);
- Professor Peter Duff (University of Aberdeen);
- Dr Zeray Yihdego (University of Aberdeen);
- Professor Robin Evans-Jones (University of Aberdeen);
- The Very Reverend Nicholas Coulton and Professor Nigel Biggar (Christ Church, Oxford);
- Imam Mohammad Almahdi Shari-Aldeen (Al-Azhar Mosque);
- Professor Ahmed Abou-El-wafa (Cairo University); and
- Sheikh Wahbah Alzuhalili, the great scholar (University of Damascus).

Thanks also go to all members of my family and my friends who have always been supportive and encouraging; they will always be valued and loved, and no thanks could be enough for their care, patience and support.

I am also grateful for the support, care and attention of the wonderful team at Edward Elgar.

Thank you all!

x