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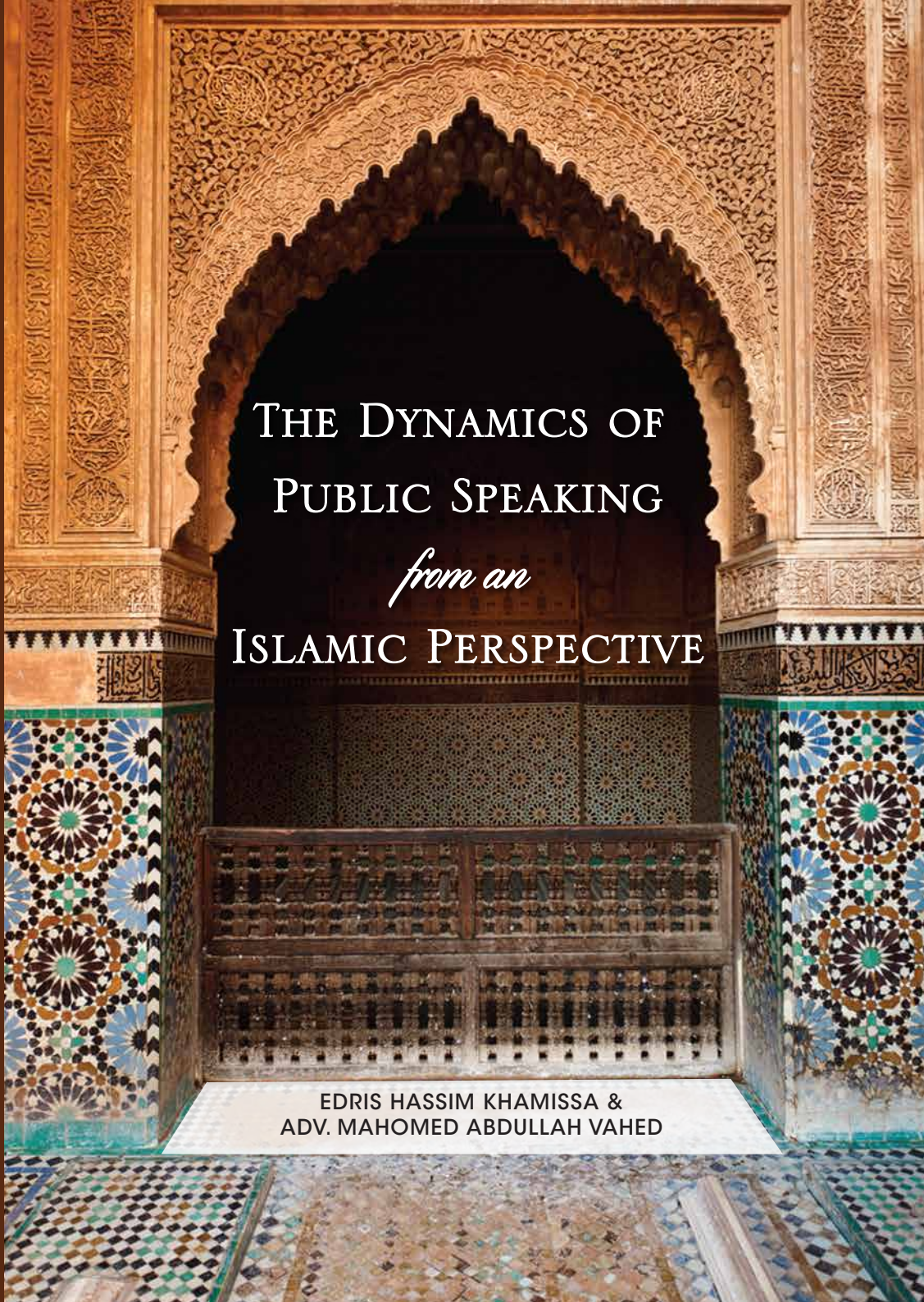
The experience of weekly *Khutbahs* has been a guiding light in my development as a Muslim. The late Dr Zaki Badawi gave a rousing speech about the need for Muslim schools. His powerful words ignited in me with the urge to do something. The consequence was that the school I went on to help establish, following on from this rousing call to action, became the first Government supported Muslim school in the UK. This only shows how influential and potentially powerful the medium of *Khutbahs* and speeches can be.

May Allah the most Knowing and Merciful, guide this book into the hands of those who can benefit the Muslim Community and help it rise again to the challenge of the age. Ameen!

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