At the beginning of our article (Kars and Bahrani 2022), we mentioned that the Book of Giving [Kitāb al-Ifāda] “appears in the List of Writings [Fihris al-Mu’allaft] compiled by Ibn al-ʿArabī.” We also discussed the dating of the Book of Giving based on this assumption. A recent edition of Ibn al-ʿArabī’s List of Writings, which utilizes the earliest manuscripts, displays that our assumption was mistaken. The Book of Giving is not mentioned in Ibn al-ʿArabī’s List of Writings, and thus, our initial dating was erroneous. This means that the Book of Giving is a later work of Ibn al-ʿArabī.

A correction has been made to the first paragraph of the article:

With its rhyming title, the Book of Giving for the Aspirant for Receiving [Kitāb al-Ifāda li-man Arāda al-Istifāda] is a short work composed of around 1200 words in Arabic penned by one of the most influential Muslim scholars in history, Muḥyī al-Dīn Ibn al-ʿArabī (d. 1240). A key piece of evidence that simultaneously establishes the authenticity of the Book of Giving and its date of composition is an internal reference to a poem in another work of the author, called “the Bezels” [al-Fusūṣ]. This is an explicit reference to Ibn al-ʿArabī’s Bezzels of Wisdom, suggesting that he wrote the Book of Giving afterwards. The Bezzels of Wisdom was penned upon the vision that Ibn al-ʿArabī experienced in Damascus in late November, 1229 CE (early Muḥarram of 627 AH). Besides, the title of Book of Giving does not appear in the List of Writings [Fihris al-Mu’allaft] compiled by Ibn al-ʿArabī himself (Ibn al-ʿArabī 1441/2020). The earliest extant manuscript copy of the List of Writings, MS Yusuf Ağa 7838, was written by the hand of Ibn al-ʿArabī’s stepson and leading student, Sadr al-Dīn al-Qūnawī (d. 1274), who studied the List with him in January 1230 CE (Ṣafar 627 AH) in Damascus (Elmore 1997, p. 165; Clark and Hirtenstein 2012, p. 19). This absence also indicates that the Book of Giving is a later work of Ibn al-ʿArabī.

With this correction, the following reference has been added, the order of some references has been adjusted accordingly.


The authors state that the scientific conclusions are unaffected. These corrections were approved by the Academic Editor. The original publication has also been updated.
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