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The golden age of the Arab civilization, from the beginning of the eighth century until the 15th century, saw the discovery and production of major scientific and intellectual feats that became a catalyst for the development of European culture and knowledge towards a highly developed world.

HE Jack lang, former French Minister of Education and President of the Institute Du Monde Arabe, highlighted the importance of this exhibition stating "We in Europe are fully aware of the importance of Arab and Muslim civilisation because we, at a certain point, built on and benefited immensely from the surge of thought and invention that this great culture produced during its golden age, bringing us into a period of Renaissance and growth in the arts and sciences."

Commenting on the role of the Paris - Sorbonne University Abhu Dhabi in organising this exhibition, HE Dr. Mugheer Khamis Al Khaili, Vice President of PSUAD, said: "This exhibition will encourage younger generations in the UAE to innovate and contribute towards creating a better future, and ensuring that the UAE is prepared to take on a leadership role in technology and the sciences"

HE Sheikh Nahyan bin Mubarak Al Nahyan, Minister of Culture, Youth and Social Development, opened the Golden Age of Arab Sciences exhibition in Paris - Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi. The exhibit will be equipped with audio visual guides, short films, and digital screens that further elaborate the various elements of the history of Arab golden age, alongside the curated artefacts and scripts by their different eras. There will also be several talks. The exhibition will run from 24 September 2013 until 14 January 2014.