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An introduction to the intellectual biography of abd al-shakr from the Banten sultanate

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Abstrak

Abd al-Shakr b. Abd al-Karm al-Bantan was a prominent disciple of the renowned scholar Burhn al-Dn Ibrhm b. asan al-Krn. Despite his importance as a scholar and Sufi shaykh connected to the Shryah order, Abd al-Shakr has received relatively little attention compared to other Jw students of al-Krn. The research draws on a range of primary sources, including manuscripts copied by Abd al-Shakr himself or containing references to him, as well as secondary literature. Key findings include the establishment of Abd al-Shakr's genealogical ties to the Banten royal family, his role as a scribe and disseminator of his teacher al-Krn's works, and his participation in the theological discourse of his time, particularly on the concept of wadat al-wujd (the unity of existence). Additionally, the study explores Abd al-Shakr's contribution to the spread of the Shryah Sufi order in the Malay-Indonesian Archipelago, tracing its transmission from al-Krn through Abd al-Shakr to his son Abd al-Muy al-Dn and other disciples. The discovery of manuscripts documenting the Shryah lineage in Jasinga, Bogor, and Mindanao in the Philippines, further highlights Abd al-Shakr's significance as a pivotal figure in the dissemination of this Sufi tradition within the region.