Yale – SOAS joint collection grant proposal

Criteria for selecting materials for digitization:

1. Language of MS is Arabic. Language of MSS catalogs and dictionaries can be mixed.
2. Enhancing accessibility
   - Manuscripts exist now in digital form. MSS catalogs that list these existing digitized MSS
   - Dictionaries that support the vocabulary needs of a scholar when working with the selected MSS, the existing digitized MSS, and the selected MSS catalogs
2. Completing gaps in collections
   - Those that partners list as missing or missing in part
3. Preservation
   - Condition indicates need for preservation including, for example, deacidification, boxing, or rebinding
4. Copyright
   - Out of copyright (pre-1923) for online access without the need to identify copyright owners and seek written permissions
   - Exceptions (post-1923) will be considered if they enhance accessibility.