Scheherazade New - Announcement

We are very pleased to announce a new release of Scheherazade New, an Arabic script font designed in the traditional Naskh style.

Changes

This release includes the following changes for this version:

New

- · Added:
 - U+0897 ARABIC PEPET
 - U+10EC2 ARABIC LETTER DAL WITH TWO DOTS VERTICALLY BELOW
 - U+10EC3 ARABIC LETTER TAH WITH TWO DOTS VERTICALLY BELOW
 - U+10EC4 ARABIC LETTER KAF WITH TWO DOTS VERTICALLY BELOW
 - U+10EFC ARABIC COMBINING ALEF OVERLAY
- Added support for Kashmiri language
- · Added facility to override default language behavior through feature selection
- · Added support for cv76 (dagger alef) on spacing characters and tatweel

Improved

- Minor anchor adjustment on U+06D6
- Enhanced positioning of U+06E2 ARABIC SMALL HIGH MEEM ISOLATED FORM next to adjacent vowel marks
- · Tweaks to the design of some of the honorifics
- Improved alef+mark positioning to reduce collisions
- Improved madda reordering to comply with UAX #53
- · Documentation enhancements

Known issues

- · Shaping for the newly added characters may not yet occur in applications
- Medial and final high hamza characters may have collisions (these likely do not occur)
- · Lam + high hamza alef ligature does not form as it likely does not occur
- In InDesign: some behaviors, such as the *lam-alef* ligature, raised *kasra* with *shadda*, and subtending marks, will not function correctly unless **Ligatures** is turned on in the **Characters** panel.

Both desktop and web fonts are provided in a single, all-platforms package on the Download page.

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