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# Executive Summary

The Islamic market is worth more than 2 trillion dollars, encapsulated in over 1.8 billion consumers. This constitutes an enormous market where Islamic values help shape the societal structures, culture and legal norms that influence consumer preferences and behaviour.

Bringing together leading thinkers to investigate current political and socio-economic developments and their effect on the global Islamic finance market, products and services the Islamic Finance Conference will debate the likely effects of those developments on the performance and future position of Islamic financial institutions, regulatory set-ups, and the popularity of Islamic products offered to the public, governments and businesses will be addressed.

Use the event to demonstrate your prominence as an industry leader in supporting Islamic Finance.

Showcase your practical solutions that can help build increase your visibility amongst companies involved in Islamic Finance for the region.

The following pages will outline the details of the forum and how you can benefit from sponsoring and exhibiting at the event.

I look forward to discussing the forum with you in further detail.

Kind Regards,

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# About the International Islamic Finance Conference

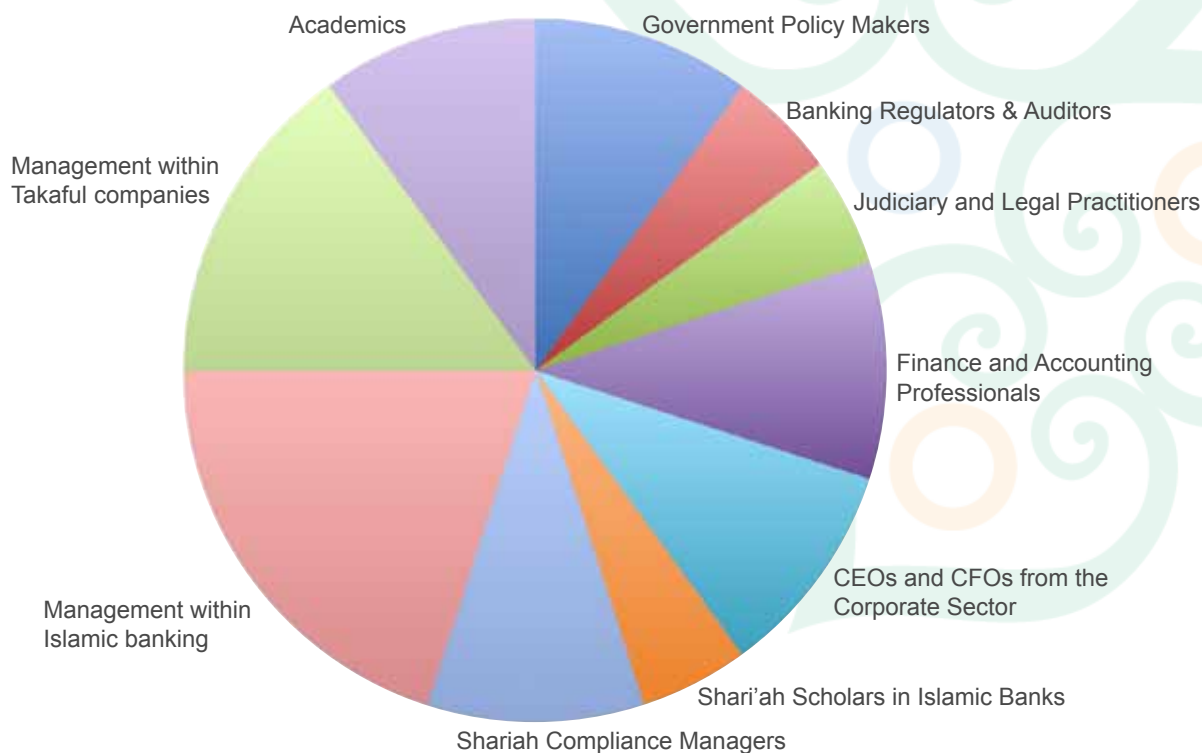
## Essential for all Islamic Finance Professionals

Banks, Scholars, Government Policy Makers will all be attending to assess the future of this sector, taking note of the historic events that have been unfolding in the world generally, and, more particularly, in the Middle East and North Africa (MENA) region. Matters relating to government policy, raising new finance, regulation, Sharia-compliant financial instruments, corporate performance, and acceptability of Islamic products will be analyzed and discussed in depth.

### Key Topics to be discussed:

- Performance of Islamic Finance Institutions
- Islamic Finance and the New Geopolitical Realities
- Islamic Finance and Socio – Economic Development
- Corporate governance in Islamic banks
- Islamic Mortgages
- Regulation of the Islamic Finance Sector

## Attendee breakdown





**Day 1 – 15th April 2013**

**8.30 – 9.00 Registration**

**9.00 – 9.15 Introduction**



**Professor David Weir**

Head of the School of Business, Leadership and Enterprise University Campus Suffolk, UK

**9.15 – 10.00**



**Professor Besieso**

Former Central Bank Governor and Minister, Palestine  
***Regulation of the Islamic Finance Sector***

**10.00 – 10.45**



**Oliver Agha**

Managing Partner, Agha & Co, Dubai  
***Islamic finance: Philosophy, Practice and Current Issues***

**10.45 – 11.00 Break**

**11.00 – 11.45 Aishath Muneeza**, Head of Islamic Finance, Capital Market Development, Maldives  
***"Shari'ah Governance Conflicts Facing Islamic Banking in Malaysia"***

**11.45 – 12.30 Abdul Hadi Shaikh**, Head of Research, Ratings Intelligence  
***"Shariah Equity screening: Data, Information or Knowledge?"***

**12.30 – 14.00 Lunch**

<b>CHAIRS</b>	<b>Professor Ros Haniffa</b> Heriot-Watt University, UK	<b>Dr Mohammad Hudaib</b> University of Glasgow, UK	<b>Djamel Eddine Laouisset</b> Alhosn University, UAE
<b>14.00 – 14.20</b>	Islamic Finance as a solution to the problem of financing SMEs in Algeria <b>Amar Siabdelhadi</b>	Mergers and Acquisitions' Impacts on Post-Financial Performance: Does Islamic Banking Make Differences	Banking Efficiency in Yemen: Application of DEA to Pre- and Post- Financial Reforms

	University of Science and Technology of Oran, Algeria	During Banking Financial Crisis in England <b>Dr Dababrata Chowdhury</b> University Campus Suffolk, UK	<b>Dr. Mohammed Ali Maram</b> University of Aden, Yemen
<b>14.20 – 14.40</b>	<b>The Opportunity of Islamic Project Financing Implementation in Indonesian Infrastructure Development</b> <b>Ayomi Dita Rarasati</b> Queensland University of Technology, Brisbane, Australia	Attitude of Muslims and Non-Muslims towards Islamic Banking:an exploratory study in India <b>Dr Asad Rehman</b>	The Persistent Lack of Profit-And-Loss Sharing Financing in Indonesia's Islamic Banks <b>Ascarya</b> Center for Central Banking and Education Studies, Bank Indonesia
<b>14.40 – 15.00</b>	Financing Through Cash-Waqf a New Innovation For the 21st Century <b>Magda Ismail A. Mohsin</b> The Global University of Islamic Finance, INCEIF, Malaysia	Determination of Sukuk Return Rate Based on Project Progress <b>Payam Salehi</b> Mehrafarin brokerage company and University of Tehran, Iran <b>Kosar Akhavan</b> Mehrafarin brokerage company and University of Economic Sciences (SES), Iran	A Study on Perception of Islamic Banks' Stakeholders Towards Shariah Harmonization in Financial Reporting Standards <b>Murniati Mukhlisin</b> Tazkia University College of Islamic Economics, Indonesia
<b>15.00 – 15.20</b>	A New Generation of Non Debt Fixed Income Finance <b>Dr Richard A. Graff</b> Principal, Electrum Partners, L.L.C., USA	Disclosure in Islamic Banks audit report <b>Dr Mohammad Hudaib</b> University of Glasgow, UK	Strategic requirements to implement the privatization program in Iran Privatization Organization <b>Mohammad Dolatabadi</b> Independent Researcher, Iran