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Largest Islamic finance event in North America now in its second year

Islamic Finance World

North America 2008

May 19 – 22, 2008
Bridgewaters, New York, NY

Key speakers include

Including special address by
Sheikh Nizam Yaquby
Shariah Scholar

Isam Salah
Partner
King & Spalding

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Managing Director
ABC Islamic Bank

Kamal Hassan
Director – Technical Development
AAOIFI

Rushdi Siddiqui
Global Director – Islamic Financial Market Index
Dow Jones

Muhammad Zubair Usmani
Shariah Scholar, Islamic Banking Division
MCB Bank

David Testa
Chief Executive Officer
Gatehouse Capital PLC

Andreas Jobst
Economist
International Monetary Fund

Business insight for the Islamic finance industry

Tap into the global Islamic finance market

• Identify ways to unlock Shariah compliant investment opportunities
• Explore the mechanics of sukuk, takaful and other Shariah compliant investments
• Tap capital and investors from the GCC
• Learn about key innovations from a panel of leading Shariah scholars

Pre-conference workshop
The concept and methodology of Sukuk
Monday, May 19th, 2008

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North America can be a major player

Investment managers are profiting from the interests of Islamic investors in the US and Canada and the booming Islamic financial market worldwide. An increased flow of petro-dollars and liberalization of investment parameters in Islamic countries are just some of the factors that have helped grow a $500 billion investment pool worldwide.

Terrapinn’s second annual Islamic Finance World North America 2008 provides you an opportunity to benefit from in depth panels and case studies revealing first hand experience of successful Islamic financial products and services from industry leaders and experts who have successfully reached this $500 billion market.

Investment professionals, bankers, scholars, law firms, issuers and investors will network during four days of debate and discussion on topic such as capital financing, sukuk issuance and investing, Shariah compliant investment funds, and other investment opportunities. A day-long focus on retail products and a hands-on workshop round out the event.

Reach the global and North American Islamic finance market.

**Investors and issuers:**
- Compare Shariah compliant financing options for private equity and real estate
- Learn different viewpoints on the parameters of Shariah compliant funds
- Access fund managers, banks and advisors to create new investment products
- Hear how peers realize return potential from Shariah compliant investments
- Discuss how sukuk investments offer diversification in a fixed income portfolio

**Banks, law firms, exchanges and service providers:**
- Identify retail banking opportunities in the North American market
- Generate ideas on how to create Shariah compliant products
- Showcase your innovation in serving Islamic investors to potential partners
- Gain insight on leading banks accessing the North American Islamic window
- Hear case studies from the pioneers of North American Islamic finance

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**Who should attend**

- Investment banks
- Real estate funds
- Private equity firms
- Law firms
- Asset managers
- Accounting firms
- Family offices
- Exchanges
- Funds of funds
- Insurance providers
- Hedge funds
- Retail banks
- Pension funds
- Foundations and Endowments

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**2007 attendee breakdown**

Over 200

- Government 5%
- Real Estate 6%
- Technology 6%
- Consultant 7%
- Press 7%
- Legal 10%
- Other 3%

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**The Terrapinn difference**

- Real case studies presented by local and international experts
- PowerPoint actively discouraged, interaction and humor encouraged
- Q&A sessions a formal part of proceedings
- Panel sessions creating a talk show format rather than a lecture
## MEETING THE RETAIL NEEDS OF THE MUSLIM COMMUNITY

**09:10 Keynote address: Islamic banking in a non-Muslim country**
- Competitive advantages to setting up an Islamic retail bank in a western country
- The current market place for Islamic retail products
- Appealing to the Muslim and non-Muslim community
  
  **Steven Watts,** Professor of Islamic Economics, Pepperdine University

**09:40 Panel: competing with conventional retail banks**
- Innovative product development
- Successful Shariah compliant instruments
  
  **David Loundy,** Vice President and Corporate Counsel, Devon Bank  
  **Omar Kalair,** CEO, UM Financial

**10:20 Morning refreshments and networking**

## OVERSEEING ISLAMIC RETAIL BANKS

**11:00 Regulation and Shariah compliance**
- What are the constraints and concerns faced by Islamic retail product providers?  
- Legal and taxation issues

**12:00 Networking lunch**

## RETAIL PRODUCTS

**1:30 Case study: inheritance tax and designing Islamic wills**
- Creating an Islamic will in accordance with US law
- Combining the principles of Islamic law with taxation and law from the US and Canada
- Implementation process for the North American community

**2:00 Case study: Shariah compliant mortgages**
  
  **Robert Kott,** Associate General Counsel, Freddie Mac

**2:30 Case study: mutual funds**
- Defining characteristics and structure
  
  **Usama DeLorenzo,** Investment Manager, Saturna Capital

**3:00 Afternoon refreshments and networking**

**3:30 Panel: the structure and dynamics of the takaful market**
- **Ajmal Bhattay,** CEO, Tokio Marine
- **Mahmood Akoob,** Managing Director, Hannover Retakaful

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08:30  Registration and refreshments

08:50  Chairman’s opening remarks

THE EVOLUTION OF ISLAMIC FINANCE
The morning session draws upon the research and experiences of the world’s leading voices on Islamic finance and Sharia compliant investments.

09:00  Opening address: architecture of the emerging Islamic financial industry
- Islamic banking as it compares to traditional banking
- Setting industry standards to strengthen investor confidence
- The emergence of Shariah compliant US institutions

09:30  Panel discussion: role of a central bank in working with Islamic financial institutions
- Cooperation between conventional and Islamic institutions: working together for common opportunities
- Approaches to including Islamic financial products in a conventional institutional vehicle
- Outlook for the growth of global Shariah compliant market
Naveed Khan, Managing Director, ABC Islamic Bank
Sohail Zubairi, Senior Vice President and Head of Shariah Structuring, Documentation and Product Development, Dubai Islamic Bank

10:00  Morning refreshments and networking

SERVING GLOBAL DEMAND FOR ISLAMIC FINANCIAL PRODUCTS

10:30  Panel discussion: successful drivers in growing the US market for Islamic investors
- What are the market drivers?
- How do leading banks define “Islamic finance” and what drives their investment activity?
- How US investment banks can profit from the growth of Islamic financing options
- How can Shariah compliant products in the North American market be further developed?
Haitham Abdou, Senior Manager, Banking Marketing and Product Development, International Turnkey Systems
Alka Banerjee, Head of Global Equities, Standard & Poors
Andrew Leamon, Head of Client Management for the Middle East and North Africa, Deutsche Bank

11:15  Panel discussion: the public perception – Western media and Islamic finance
- Identifying gaps in information
- Looking at Islamic finance from a global perspective
- Challenging views post 9/11
- Moving forward: looking ahead
Rushdi Siddiqui, Global Director – Islamic Market Index, Dow Jones
Steven Watts, Professor of Islamic Economics, Pepperdine University
Nazim Ali, Director, Harvard Islamic Finance Project

12:00  Networking lunch

SHARIAH COMPLIANCE AND REGULATORY CHALLENGES

1:30  Panel discussion: Shariah scholar’s forum
- The role of Shariah approval in shaping Shariah compliant products
- Impact of Shariah laws across various regions
- Steps required in setting up a Shariah board
- Dealing with supply and demand of Shariah scholars
- What is the nature of the ongoing relationship with a Shariah board
Sheikh Nizam Yaquby, Shariah Scholar, Baharain
Aznan Hasan, Shariah Scholar, Shariah Advisory Council, Bank Negara Malaysia
Muhammad Zubair Usmani, Shariah Scholar, Shariah Advisor, Islamic Banking Division, MCB Bank

2:15  Panel discussion: regulating institutions
- How can US regulation further facilitate banks offering Shariah compliant products?
- Developing acceptable and dynamic regulations for Shariah compliant products
- North American regulation, how to better accommodate Islamic finance?
- What can North America learn from other regions?
Walid Alameddine, Chairman, Banking Control Commission of Lebanon
Kamal Hassan, Director – Technical Development, AAOIFI
Abdi Shayesteh, Associate Attorney, King & Spalding

3:00  Speed networking

3:45  Afternoon refreshments and networking

SOCIAL INVESTMENTS AND SHARIAH COMPLIANCE

4:15  The ethical dimensions of Islamic finance
- Have Islamic financial institutions been limiting themselves?
- Bridging SRI and Islamic finance
- Responsibility of Shariah scholars
- New ideology and way of thinking: improving Islamic finance and making an impact on all markets
Suhail Ahmad, Chairman and CEO, Ittihad Securities Inc.

4:45  Panel discussion: the correlation between ethical investments, SRI funds, and Shariah compliance
- Bridging the gaps/misconceptions of Islamic finance products in a conventional market
- Global trends towards ethical investing and environmental protection
- Investment performance, pros, cons, and opportunity costs
- The commonality between screening processes
Kavilash Chawla, Principal, Nur Advisors LLC
Reggie Stanley, Senior Vice President, Calvert
Sam Saladino, CEO, Trinity Fiduciary Partners, Invest Catholic

5:30  Chairperson’s closing remarks and close of day one

5:40  Networking reception
Day Two Thursday, May 22, 2008

Business insight for the Islamic finance industry

08:30 Registration and refreshments

08:50 Chairman’s opening remarks

**SUKUK: AN AMBITIOUS ALTERNATIVE**

09:00 Keynote address
Sheikh Nizam Yaquby, Shariah Scholar, Bahrain

09:30 Panel discussion: the North American sukuk market
- Diversification: how sukuk investors weathered the sub-prime credit crisis
- The need for a secondary market
- Difference between sukuk and a US conventional bond
- What’s the true growth potential?
  
  Isam Salah, Partner, King & Spalding
  Ibrahim Mardam-Bey, Chief Executive Officer, SIRAJ Capital
  Andreas Jobst, Economist, International Monetary Fund
  Christopher Messina, Managing Director, Mannahatta Partners

10:15 Case study: East Cameron Gas sukuk
- An overview of the first sukuk issued in the United States
- Moving forward: what have we learned from this deal?
- Why the move towards non-Islamic entities?
  
  Ibrahim Mardam-Bey, Chief Executive Officer, SIRAJ Capital

10:45 Morning refreshments and networking

**SHARIAH COMPLIANT REAL ESTATE AND PROJECT FINANCE**

11:15 Shariah requirements to enhance profits in real estate investments
- Opportunities in the real estate sector and related investments
- Conventional vs. Shariah compliant REITS – what are the differences?
- Case studies of Islamic fund products in the North American market

Aly Khorsid, Islamic Finance Scholar, Elite Horizon Economic Consultant
Nasim Siddiqi, President and CEO, Anchor Finance Group
Paul Devonshire, Managing Director, Pramerica Property Funds
Salman Ibrahim, CEO, Sunrise Equity

12:00 Shariah compliant real estate opportunities in Canada
- What is Shariah compliant real estate and how does it differ from conventional real estate?
- What products/opportunities are available?
- Risks and returns: compliant versus conventional

Aqeel Anwar, CEO, Anwar Global Properties

1:00 Networking lunch

**ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSIONS: AUDIENCE DRIVEN DISCUSSIONS**

2:30 Interactive roundtable discussions allow delegates to meet and discuss issues relevant to their job functions.

Roundtable 1: role of scholars, investors, and market participants in ethical Islamic finance

Roundtable 2: connecting MENA capital with North American opportunities

Roundtable 3: Sukuk

Roundtable 4: real estate

Roundtable 5: regulation

Moderator 1: Ittihad Securities/Anwar Global Properties

Moderator 2:

3:15 Afternoon refreshments and networking

**SHARIAH STYLE INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT**

3:45 Shariah style fund management
- Evaluating the performance of an Islamic fund in relation to a conventional fund
- Capitalizing on the increasing interest towards the Islamic funds industry
- Practical dimensions to setting up Shariah compliant funds
  - Islamic hedge funds
  - Global equity funds
  - Shariah compliant pension plans

Sohail Jaffer, Partner, FWU Group
Eric Meyer, President and Chief Executive Officer, Shariah Capital
Suhail Arian, Investment Director – Global Equities, Scottish Widows Investment Partnership
Hardeep Tamana, Chief Executive, Fyshe Crestar
Zafar Sarsihwala, CEO and Managing Director, Parsoli Corporation Ltd.

**PRIVATE EQUITY INVESTMENTS THAT MEET SHARIAH INVESTMENT STANDARDS**

4:30 Islamic private equity
- Meeting legal and regulatory requirements
- Why private equity is suitable for Shariah compliant investors
- Agreeing with your Shariah board: how far must you go?
- A closer look at supply and demand

Sufyan Ismail, CEO and Founder, 1st Ethical
David Testa, Chief Executive Officer, Gatehouse Capital PLC

5:15 Conference concludes

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Pre-conference workshop

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The concept and methodology of sukuk and the development of a secondary market in sukuk

The workshop will aim to provide participants with a comprehensive understanding of the sukuk product and its potential as an Islamic capital market product. An evaluation will be made of the Shariah approach to financial governance including a look at the rules and issues that guide Islamic investments and how they have driven the development of modern financial instruments such as sukuk. The workshop will cover advanced structures and live case studies for those contemplating involvement or investing in sovereign, corporate, municipality or other type of sukuk issues.

Additionally the workshop will explore the place of a secondary sukuk trading market for North American investors.

The matters covered include the following:

- Evolution of sukuk: understanding of the product within the framework of the Islamic law (Shariah)
- Comparisons and contrasts of sukuk with other conventional capital market products
- Current market overview and trends
- Possibility of structuring sukuk under different Shariah contracts – e.g. fixed coupon sukuk, variable coupon sukuk
- Understanding of Shariah contracts as a basis for sukuk tradability
- Secondary sukuk market divining factors
- Evolution of ratings-based pricing on sukuk and the role of a credit rating agency on the secondary market
- Islamic capital market performance and the adoption of secondary sukuk market
- Deployment of Shariah compliant derivatives to hedge the risks of fluctuations in the secondary sukuk market

About the workshop leader

Aly Khorshid
Shariah Scholar
Elite Horizon Economic Consultant

Dr Khorshid served as a Shariah board member of bank Al-Baraka (The first Islamic bank in the UK). He dealt with the UK treasury and Bank of England departments in relation to the regulatory of Islamic banking issues. Dr Khorshid has master's degree in management, and a PhD on Islamic economics from the University of Leeds (UK).

About the venue

11 Fulton Street
Atop the Fulton Market Building at the South Street Seaport
New York, NY 10038
Tel: +1 212 608 7400

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Terrapinn’s Islamic Finance World North America 2008 is more than just a conference. It is a year long marketing campaign. It is a cost-effective sales and marketing solution that works throughout the year, providing you with new contacts and great exposure, culminating in an event which will bring you face-to-face with your key customers and prospects. It is an integral part of a global brand that has a proven track record of excellence.

If you work within the Islamic finance space and have products or services that give investors more effective market exposure, there is no better place globally than to be seen at Islamic Finance World North America 2008!

Sponsorship will provide you with:

- Immediate credibility at the outset in this massive potential market
- Cost-effective marketing exposure and branding to your entire target audience
- A world class learning, networking and marketing platform
- The opportunity to position and profile yourself as an industry leader via a third party neutral forum
- The tools to maximize your brand awareness during the months leading up to and following the event
- The best marketing ROI for your marketing spend
- A marketing campaign that culminates in face-to-face business meetings with key decision makers
- A forum to meet the industry under one roof, saving you time and money

Sponsorship opportunities are limited. These include thought leadership opportunities, branding and exhibition space at the event.

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