

World Islamic Finance Forum (WIFF) 2024

**Islamic Finance: Innovation, Climate Finance and
Sustainable Growth**



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WIFF 2024 is a unique industry cum academic conference organized by CEIF-IBA, aimed at bringing together Shari'ah scholars, renowned academics, leading Islamic bankers, regulators, and prominent figures from global Islamic finance and infrastructure institutions to discuss potential game changers for the Islamic finance industry.

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Bringing together an array of global thought leaders, policymakers, financial experts, and academics, the World Islamic Finance Forum (WIFF) 2024, hosted by the IBA Centre for Excellence in Islamic Finance in Karachi on December 3-4, 2024, is set to be a landmark event for the Islamic finance industry.

The conference will center around the theme "Islamic Finance: Innovation, Climate Change, and Sustainable Growth." It will delve into the transformative role of Islamic finance in addressing pressing global issues such as environmental sustainability, ethical investment, and social responsibility. Discussions will focus on the integration of Shariah-compliant innovative financial solutions incorporating fintech, startups, SMEs, agriculture, microfinance, green finance, and sustainable economic practices, all aimed at combating climate change and fostering economic growth. WIFF 2024 will also provide a platform for networking, collaborative projects, and the exploration of new opportunities in Islamic finance across emerging markets.

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Agenda - Day 1

08:00 am – 09:00 am	Registration / Networking Break
09:00 am – 10:40 am	Recitation from Holy Quran National Anthem
	Opening Remarks Mr. Ahmed Ali Siddqui, Director IBA - CEIF
	Welcome Note Dr. S. Akbar Zaidi, Executive Director IBA
	Setting the Stage Dr. Ishrat Hussain, Chairman, IBA - CIEF
	Keynote Addresses Mr. Irfan Siddqui, President & CEO, Meezan Bank
	Keynote Address Mr. Akif Saeed, Chairman, SECP
	Keynote Address Mr. Saleem Ullah, Deputy Governor, State Bank of Pakistan
	Chief Guest Address Prof. Ahsan Iqbal Chaudhary, Federal Minister for Planning, Development & Special Initiatives, Government of Pakistan
	Session Wrap up & MoU Signing
10:40 am – 11:00 am	Networking Coffee Break
11:00 am – 12:00 pm	Power Table: Pioneering the Future: CEOs Insights on Harnessing Islamic Finance for promoting Innovation, Climate Finance, and Sustainable Growth Mr. Irfan Siddqui, President CEO, Meezan Bank Mr. Junaid Ahmed, CEO, Dubai Islamic Bank Pakistan Mr. Yousaf Hussain, President & CEO, Faysal Bank Limited Mr. Rizwan Ata, President & CEO, BankIslami Pakistan Mr. Muhammad Atif Hanif, CEO Albaraka Bank Limited Mr. Khurram Hilal, Global CEO, Islamic Banking, Standard Chartered UAE Dr. Muhammad Imran, Group Head Islamic Banking, Bank Alfalah Limited
	Session Chairs Dr. Inayat Hussain, Deputy Governor, State Bank of Pakistan
	Moderator Ahmed Ali Siddiqui, Director IBA CEIF
12:00 pm – 01:00 pm	Innovative Islamic Financial Products: Exploring the impact of financial technology on Islamic finance, including blockchain, AI, and digital payments. Mr. Ashar Nazim, CEO AION Digital, Bahrain Mr. Hamayun Sajjad CEO, Mashreq Digital Bank Pakistan Mr. Asif Peer, CEO and Managing Director, System Limited Mr. Omer Bin Ahsan CEO Habal Pvt. Limited Mr. Omer Saleem Ullah, CEO Sada Pay Mr. Sharjil Ahmed, CEO & Co Founder Cykub Ltd UK (Online) Mr. Faisal Aftab Zayn Founder & General Partner of Capital VC Fund Dr. Muhammad Imran, Group Head Islamic Banking, Alfalah Bank Limited
	Session Chairs Dr. Muhammad Imran Ashraf Usmani, Vice Chairman- Shariah Board, Meezan Bank Limited
	Moderator Mr. Shariq Mubeen, Chief Digital Officer Meezan Bank Limited

01:00 pm – 02:00 pm	Lunch & Prayer Break
02:00 pm – 03:00 pm	Sustainable Islamic Climate Finance: Green and Ethical Investments Ms. Romina Khursheed Alam, Coordinator to the Prime Minister on Climate Changes and Environment Changes (CC & EC) (Online) Dr. Mohamad Akram Laldin, Executive Director, International Shariah Research Academy (ISRA), Malaysia. Mr. Freedom- Kai Phillips, Director, Deloitte Center for Sustainable Progress (DCSP), University of Cambridge Canada- (Online) Syed Bulent Sohail, Head of Program & Partnerships ADRIC- CEE, IBA Mr. Ashar Nazim, CEO AION Digital, Bahrain Mr. Samuel Rizk, Resident Representative UNDP Dr. Mughees Shaukat, Senior Manager AAOIFI, Bahrain
	Session Chairs Honourable Mr. Justice Syed Mansoor Ali, Senior Puisne Judge of the Supreme Court of Pakistan. (Online)
	Moderator Mr. Khurram Lalani, Founder & CEO of Resources Future, and lead Consultant for UKAID, USAID and ADB
03:00 pm – 03:50 pm	Industry Talk: Conversion to Islamic Finance & Growth Mr. Arif Habib, Chairman Arif Habib Group & CEO of Arif Habib Corporation Limited. Mr. Hassan Raza, Managing Director & CEO , Bank of Khyber Mr. Imran Saeed, Head Islamic Finance Division, Pak Kuwait Investment Company Limited. Mr. Atif Ikram Sheikh, President, FPCCI Mr. Javed Ghulam Mohammad, Group Managing Director & CEO, Martin Dow Group. Mr. Fouad Farrukh Group Chief Head Islamic Bank NBP. Mufti Dr Zubair Ashraf Usmani, Chairman Shariah Board Habib Bank Limited
	Session Chairs Mr. Najmul Hassan, Islamic Finance Expert, Visiting Faculty Finance Department IBA and Partner in Bulwark LLP USA.
	Moderator Muhammad Faisal Shaikh Head of Product Shariah Structuring and Organizational Transformation, Faysal Bank Limited
03:50 pm – 04:10 pm	Networking Coffee Break
04:10 pm – 05:30 pm	Presentation of Research Papers/Case Studies Dr Zubair Ahmed & Dr. Muhammad Asif
	Session Chairs Dr. Azima Khan Prof. Dr. Imam Uddin, Director Islamic Finance and Accounts, Institute of Business Mangement, (IoBM)
	Moderator Dr. Shafiullah Jan, Head Centre for Excellence in Islamic Finance, Institute of Management Sciences (IMSciences)
05:30 pm	Wrap-up Session Summarizing Key Takeaway Points and Highlights of Day 1 – WIFF 2024 Dr. Irum Saba, Associates Professor & Program Director, IBA- Centre for Excellence in Islamic Finance.

Agenda - Day 2

09:00 am – 10:00 am	Recitation from Holy Quran	
	Opening Remarks	Dr. Irum Saba, Associates Professor & Program Director, IBA Centre for Excellence in Islamic Finance.
	Keynote Addresses	Mr. Omar Mustafa Ansari, General Secretary, Accounting and Auditing Organization for Islamic Institutions(AAOIFI).
	Keynote Addresses	Dr. Muhammad Kabir Hassan, Professor of Finance, Department of Economic and Finance, University of Orleans, USA (Online)
	Keynote Addresses	Dr. Mohamad Akram Laldin, Executive Director, International Shariah Research Academy (ISRA), Malaysia.
	Special Addresses	Professor Mufti Muneeb ur Rehman, Chairman Shariah Board MCB Islamic Bank.
	Special Addresses	Mr. Mujtaba Ahmad Lodhi, Commissioner Specialized Companies Division SECP
10:00 am – 11:00 am	<p>Innovations & Growth in Islamic Capital Markets & Takaful, Conversion Roadmap, Tokenization, REITs, Crowdfunding & Impact Investing</p> <p>Mr. Azeem Pirani, Executive Director and Chief Operating Officer, Efu Life Insurance Mr. Waqas Ahmad, CEO Pak Qatar Family Takaful Mr. Imtiaz Gadar, CEO Al Meezan Investment Management Limited. Mr. Zahid Latif Khan CEO ZLK Security (Pvt) Limited and Chairman ISE Tower REIT Management Company. (Online) Mr. Muhammad Shoaib , Islamic Capital Market Expert and Founding President CFA Society of Pakistan. Ms. Maya Marissa Malek, CEO & Managing Director Amanie Advisors, Global Islamic Finance Advisor. Mufti Muhammad Mohib ul Haq Siddiqui, Chairman Shariah Board, Faysal Bank Mr. Irshad Mahmood, Partner, Islamic Finance, Audit and Assurance Leader, Deloitte , Bahrain. Mr. Farrukh H. Sabzwari, CEO Pakistan Stock Exchange Limited (PSX).</p>	
	Session Chairs	Ms. Khalida Habib, Executive Director Specialized Companies Division for Session Chair pertaining to Islamic Capital Markets.
	Moderator	Mehmood Arshad, Executive Director Pak Qatar Group
11:00 am – 11:20 am	Networking Coffee Break	
11:20 am - 12:20 pm	<p>Developing Enabling Governance, Regulatory & Legal Framework & Enhancing Transparency: Challenges and Strategies for Converting to an Islamic Economy.</p> <p>Barrister Dr. Huma Sodher, Member Honourable Society of Lincoln's Inn UK . Dr. Huseyin Unal, Head of Group, Insurance and Pension, Regulation & Supervision Authority, Turkiye Ms. Maya Marissa Malek, CEO & Managing Director Amanie Advisors, Global Islamic Finance Advisor . Mr. Tariq Naseem, Head Islamic Finance Division SECP . Mufti Ehsan Waqar Ahmad, Chairman Shariah Board National Bank of Pakistan. Syed Najm ul Hussain, Partner KPMG Taseer Hadi & Co.</p>	
	Session Chairs	Ghulam Muhammad Abbasi, Director BPRD, State Bank of Pakistan
	Moderator	Dr. Mughees Shaukat, Global Islamic Financial Strategist, Policy Advisor, Senior Manager at AAOIFI

12:20pm-12:30pm	<p>Special Speech / Presentation</p> <p>Allama Shabbir Hussain Maismi , Al- Sadiq (a.s) Institute of Islamic Banking, Finance and Takaful</p>
12:30 pm–1:15pm	<p>All round Sustainable Growth & Financial Inclusion: Startup, Entrepreneurship, SME, Agriculture & Micro Finance.</p> <p>Mr. Saleemullah Shaikh Head Islamic Banking Division Habib Metro Bank Limited. Mr. Abdullah Ghaffar, Group Head Islamic Bank Bank of Khyber. Mr. Amin Tejani, Group Head Islamic Baking, Soneri Bank Limited. Mufti Abdullah Najeeb Siddiqui, Resident Shariah Board Member Al Baraka Bank Limited. Mr. Junaaid Naqi President Korangi Association of Trade & Industry KATI. Mufti Syed Zahid Siraj, Shariah Advisor U Micro finance Bank Limited, Mr. Imran Ahmad, Additional Director, Agriculture Credit & Financial Inclusion Department, SBP</p>
	<p>Session Chairs Syed Irfan Ali Executive Director Financial Inclusion State Bank of Pakistan</p>
	<p>Moderator Mr. Muhammad Shoaib Malick, Ex SVP - Head of SME, Agri and Assets Product UBL Ameen.</p>
01:15 pm - 02:15 pm	Lunch & Prayer Break
02:15 pm – 03:15 pm	<p>Developing Industry - Academia Linkage: Capacity Building for Growth and Conversion.</p> <p>Mr. Almir Colan, Director a Australian Centre For Islamic Finance (AusCif) (Online) Dr. Rizwan Malik, Head Islamic Finance Centre Bahrain Institute of Banking and Finance (BIBF). Prof. Dr. Imamuddin, Director Islamic Finance and Accounts, Institute of Business Mangement, (IoBM) Dr. Shafiullah Jan, Head Centre for Excellence in Islamic Finance, Institute of Management Sciences (IMSciences) Dr. Imran Majeed, Senior Lecturer, Al-Ghazali University, Mufti Hassan Kaleem, Chairman Shariah Board Dubai Islamic Bank Limited. Dr Abdullah Zafar Shaikh IBA, Professor and Dean School of Business Studies, IBA Karachi. Mr. Makhtar Abdullah CEO and President Association of Shariah Advisor in Islamic finance Malaysia.</p>
	<p>Session Chairs Mr. Riaz Nazarali Chunara, CEO National Institute of Banking & Finance (NIBAF)</p>
	<p>Moderator Dr. Irum Saba, Associate Professor, IBA – Centre for Excellence in Islamic Finance</p>
03:15 pm – 04:15 pm	Presentation of Papers
	<p>Session Chairs Dr. Shafiullah Jan, Head Centre for Excellence in Islamic Finance, Institute of Management Sciences (IMSciences) Dr. Muhammad Ayub, Professor, Riphah International University, Islamabad</p>
	<p>Moderator Dr Azima Khan, Assistant Prof. Institute of Business Management - IBA karachi</p>

04:15 pm – 04:30 pm	Coffee Break
04:30 pm – 05:30 pm	Power Talk- Vision for the Future Dr. Muhammad Imran, Group Head Islamic Bank Alfalah Limited. Mr Imran Haleem Shaikh, Deputy CEO Bank Islami Pakistan Limited. Mr. Syed Amir Ali Deputy CEO Meezan Bank Limited. Mr. Rehan Shaikh CEO Standard Chartered Pakistan. Mr. Muhammad Nassir Salim, President & CEO Habib Bank Limited. Mr. Muhammad Adrees, CEO Sitara Chemical Industries Limited. Mr. Khurram S Khan CEO of Habib Metro Bank Limited. Shehzad Ahmed Malik, President ICMA Mr. Saleem Ullah, Deputy Governor, State Bank of Pakistan
	Session Chairs Dr. Ishrat Hussain- Chairman IBA- CEIF. Session Chair
	Moderator Mr. Ahmed Ali Siddiqui, Director IBA- CEIF
05:30 pm – 5:40 pm	Closing Note & Wrap-up WIFF 2024

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