



Call for papers

NEW CHALLENGES FOR ISLAMIC ECONOMICS AND FINANCE DEVELOPMENT

20-21 November 2014, Sarajevo

European Association for Islamic Economics, Banking and Finance (EUIEBF) and Islamic Research and Training Institute (IRTI) in cooperation with our estimated partners proudly invites you to the Sarajevo's third Islamic Finance Conference. The conference will take place in Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina at the Gazi Husrev-Bey's library from **20-21 November 2014**.

Islamic Banking is rapidly spreading across the world. Its success has led to numerous new Islamic banks and conventional banks with Islamic windows. The field's rapid development has created a need for research on many topics, including the fundamental principles of Islamic Banking. This conference aims to gather Islamic banking, economics, and finance experts and students to discuss a wide range of topics and fill this gap in research. It will continue the development and acknowledgment of Islamic banking's increasing role in the world.

You are kindly invited to submit papers for this conference, that will provide a basis for further discussion during the conference. In addition, the conference offers an excellent opportunity to meet leading figures in Bosnia and Herzegovina and beyond in the field of Islamic Banking.

The following are suggested topics:

Islamic Economics

- Islamic political economy – issues and critiques of recent developments in Islamic economics
- Islamic economic systems – possibilities for development in conventional/mixed economies
- The role of central banks in supporting the development of Islamic finance in conventional economies
- Role of IRTI in supporting research and development in Islamic economics and finance

Islamic Finance, Institutions and Markets

- Islamic banking history – lessons that could be learned
 - Islamic financial models and instruments - experiences in application
 - Takaful development – issues and challenges
 - Takaful development in conventional economies – issues and challenges
 - Risk management in Islamic finance
 - Efficiency of Islamic financial institutions – comparisons with their conventional counterparts
 - Islamic banks' efficiency - comparisons with conventional banks
 - Islamic microfinance as a new alternative for developing countries – issues and potentials
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Country Experiences

- Islamic economics and finance in Central and South-eastern Europe (CSEE) – challenges and potential
- Emerging markets in Islamic banking and finance – Europe, Asia, Africa, North America, and Australia
- Islamic market indexes development for local markets – country case studies
- Role of the Islamic Development Bank in the supporting of the development of Islamic finance in emerging markets – country case studies
- Potential for Islamic finance development in Bosnia and Herzegovina – a new hub for spreading Islamic finance in Europe

General Topics in Islamic Economics and Finance

- Islamic banking, finance & investments – new perspectives and innovations
- Islamic economics in the context of the global economic crises – analysis of recent experiences
- Islamic finance as a model for a sustainable financial system
- Halal industries and halal certificates – issues and challenges
- Empowerment of women in Islamic economics - new trends and experiences from Malaysia and other countries
- The role of the NGO sector and foundations in promoting and supporting the development of Islamic finance
- The Mid-Term Review (MTR) of the 10-Year Framework and Strategies for Islamic Financial Services Industry: A Joint Initiative by IRTI and IFSB

Any other relevant areas in Islamic economics and finance will also be considered.



Thematic Workshop on Sovereign Sukuk Pricing Framework will also be organized as a part of the Conference. This event is specially supported by IRTI.

Several suggested topics are as follows:

- Challenges and opportunities in developing of Sukuk
- Sukuk - new perspectives and innovations
- Best practices of Sukuk
- Sukuk from regulation perspective
- Sukuk in historical perspectives
- Issues in Sovereign Sukuk pricing
- Performance of Sukuk



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The Important dates are as follows:

- o Abstract submissions deadline: 31.08.2014.
- o Abstract acceptance notifications: 10.09.2014.
- o Paper submissions due: 24.10.2014.
- o Paper acceptance notifications: 31.10.2014.
- o Registration due: 14.11.2014.
- o Conference start: 20.11.2014.

Tickets and Hotel

Authors of the accepted papers for workshop on Sovereign Sukuk Pricing Framework will be covered for round-trip economy class air ticket and hotel accommodation during the conference. The number of the places is limited. Authors for the other topics and parts of the conference will have to cover these costs by own.

Proceeding / Publication

After the conference, papers presented will be edited and consolidated by IRTI and EUIEBF. Authors who wish to be published in the Conference edited book agree to the terms and conditions which can be found on <http://www.islamicfinanceeurope.com/index.php/conference-2014/publication>

Sovereign Sukuk Pricing Framework workshop is intended as a meeting of minds among thinkers, scholars and practitioners (maximum 40 persons).

Paper submission

The submission of the full paper and curriculum vitae shall be sent to conference2014@islamicfinanceeurope.com

All information regarding abstract / paper submission can be found at www.islamicfinanceeurope.com

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