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(Istanbul, November 19, 2015)

- 1. The Ninth Meeting of the OIC Member States' Stock Exchanges Forum convened in Istanbul on November 19, 2015.
- 2. The Forum Meeting was held in conjunction with "Second International Islamic Finance and Economics Conference" in partnership between Borsa İstanbul and Marmara University, which took place on the same day.
- 3. This year, also a conference on "Mobilizing Islamic Finance for Long –Term Investment Financing" preceded the Forum Meeting, which was held on November 18-19, 2015 in cooperation with the World Bank Group, Undersecretariat of Treasury, Capital Markets Board of Turkey and Borsa İstanbul.
- 4. The Meeting was attended by the representatives of the following capital market institutions of the OIC Member States:

#### **A. EXCHANGES OF THE OIC MEMBER STATES**

- 1. Bolsa de Valores de Moçambique, Mozambique
- 2. Borsa İstanbul, Turkey
- 3. Dubai Financial Market, United Arab Emirates
- 4. Dubai Mercantile Exchange, United Arab Emirates
- 5. Douala Stock Exchange, Cameroon
- 6. Iran Fara Bourse Company, Iran
- 7. Iraq Stock Exchange, Iraq
- 8. Kazakhstan Stock Exchange, Kazakhstan
- 9. Qatar Stock Exchange, Qatar
- 10. Saudi Stock Exchange, Saudi Arabia
- 11. Tehran Stock Exchange, Iran

### B. CENTRAL DEPOSITORIES, CLEARING AND REGISTRY INSTITUTIONS OF THE OIC MEMBER STATES

- 1. Central Depository Company of Pakistan, Pakistan
- 2. National Clearing Company of Pakistan Limited, Pakistan
- 3. Central Securities Depository of Iran, Iran
- 4. Maroclear, Morocco
- 5. Takasbank, Turkey

#### C. OTHER ORGANISATIONS

- 1. The Organization of Islamic Cooperation
- 2. COMCEC Coordination Office
- 3. Arab Federation of Exchanges
- 4. S&P Dow Jones Indices
- 5. S360

#### **Opening and Seminar Session**

- 1. Following a brief introduction of the program, the meeting was opened by Mr. Tuncay DİNÇ, Forum Chairman and CEO of Borsa İstanbul, who welcomed all delegates to Istanbul on the occasion of the ninth meeting of the OIC Member States' Stock Exchanges Forum and expressed his honour and contentment for opening the OIC Member States' Stock Exchanges Forum for the first time. Mr. DİNÇ has stated: "Islamic capital markets can be seen as dispersed and fragmented globally. However, if we can all work together to establish networks between our markets, we can turn this network of branches to our advantage when serving the 1.6 billion community all around the world. This is the very reason that we are here today, to extend our network and set up the relevant action plans to move forward". Afterwards, Mr. DİNÇ gave the floor to Mr. Ali İŞLER, Expert at COMCEC Coordination Office. Mr. İŞLER gave a welcome speech and briefed delegates on the activities of COMCEC and the COMCEC Financial Cooperation Working Group.
- 2. Mr. DİNÇ gave the floor to Mr. Mustafa Kemal YILMAZ, Executive Vice President of Borsa İstanbul to moderate the meeting.
- 3. Mr. Mustafa Kemal YILMAZ invited Mr. Murat Mazıbaş to give a background of Forum activities and current projects, and some ideas on future activities. Mr. MAZIBAŞ then made a

presentation on the OIC Exchanges Statistics Report, which was shared with Forum Members on the occasion of this Meeting. The presentation summarized key statistics of the OIC markets on equity, debt instruments and derivatives.

(A copy of the presentation by Dr. Murat MAZIBAŞ is herewith attached as Annex 1)

- 4. Ms. Şenay PEHLİVANOĞLU gave information on the activities of Task Force on Indices.

  (A copy of the presentation by Ms. Şenay PEHLİVANOĞLU is herewith attached as Annex 2)
- 5. Mr. Oğuzhan ALOĞLU, Director of Precious Metals & Diamond Market at Borsa İstanbul, delivered a presentation entitled "Report on Gold Trading in the OIC Countries".
  - (A copy of the presentation by Mr. Oğuzhan ALOĞLU is herewith attached as Annex 3)
- 6. Mr. Charbel S. AZZI, Head of Middle East, Africa & CIS S&P Dow Jones Indices delivered a presentation entitled "Potential OIC Sub Indices".
  - (A copy of the presentation by Mr. Charbel S. AZZI is herewith attached as Annex 4)
- 7. Mr. Sertac Fuad KARAAĞAOĞLU, Group Director of Listing and Private Market at Borsa İstanbul delivered a presentation entitled "SME Finance in Stock Exchange".
  - (A copy of the presentation by Mr. Sertac Fuad KARAAĞAOĞLU is herewith attached as Annex 5)
- 8. Mr. Rashid Ali AL-MANSOORI, CEO of Qatar Stock Exchange, delivered a presentation entitled "The Challenges that Exchanges Face amid Circumstances in the Islamic Countries".
  - (A copy of the presentation by Mr. Rashid Ali AL-MANSOORI is herewith attached as Annex 6)
- 9. Mr. Kerem OKUMUŞ, Managing Director of S360, delivered a presentation entitled "Pioneering Role of the Exchanges in Sustainability".
  - (A copy of the presentation by Mr. Kerem OKUMUŞ, is herewith attached as Annex 7)
- 10. Dr. Mohammad Reza MOHSENI, Chief Executive Officer and Board Member of Central Securities Depository of Iran, delivered a speech about "The Role of the CSDs in Opening Up the Market".

#### **DECISIONS**

The following decisions were taken at the meeting:

- 1. The Forum mandates the Task Force on Indices to collaborate with S&P DJ Indices teams in exploring the level of demand for sub-indices in the markets. If there is sufficient demand for product creation, the Task Force will then work on launching and promoting the sub-indices, which will include companies from the emerging OIC markets. Forum members agree to make their best effort to promote the S&P OIC COMCEC Sharia 50 Index and the potential sub-indices in their markets. The task force is also mandated to assess the feasibility of a sustainability index.
- 2. The Forum appreciates the feasibility report on the establishment of a Gold Exchange among the OIC Member States prepared by Borsa İstanbul as the Forum Coordinator—as requested in the 31th Session of the Follow up Committee of COMCEC. The Forum considers that this issue needs to be further studied and forming a task force that consist of leading Member States on gold trading will be beneficial. To this end, the Task Force on Commodities is renamed as "Task Force on Precious Metals" and will be led by Borsa Istanbul. The Task Force will work on steps to be taken to integrate the gold markets among member states by removing barriers and aligning regulations to harmonize the precious metals trading ecosystems concerning trading and post-trade services. To this end, the task force is expected to determine the technical and regulatory infrastructure requirements and formulate the most effective trading model among the OIC Member States. The Forum mandates Forum Coordinator to make a call to the volunteering OIC Exchanges and if necessary to the post-trade institutions to take a part in this task force
- 3. The Forum appreciates the 2nd issue of the OIC Member States' Stock Exchanges Integrated Statistics Report prepared by the Forum Coordinator. All Forum Members are encouraged to actively participate in the survey sent by the Forum Coordinator. The Forum encourages Members to publish and distribute the report in any convenient event.
- 4. The Forum mandates the Forum Coordinator to explore potential areas of cooperation with SESRIC on the formation of OIC capital markets database.
- 5. The Forum Coordinator will continue publishing the quarterly newsletter to update members on the recent developments in OIC markets and Islamic finance.
- 6. The conclusions of the meeting will be reported to the 31th session of COMCEC, which will be held in Istanbul on 23-26 November 2015.
- 7. The next annual meeting of the Forum is planned to be held on Oct Nov 2016 in Istanbul.