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Creating and Nurturing Islamic Finance and Impact Investing Business Ecosystems

GLOBAL ISLAMIC FINANCE AND IMPACT INVESTING PLATFORM



UNDP ISTANBUL INTERNATIONAL CENTER FOR PRIVATE SECTOR IN DEVELOPMENT (IICPSD)



IICPSD



Established in 2011 through an agreement between UNDP and Government of Turkey



1 of 6 global policy centers of UNDP



Supports the private sector and foundations to become transformative partners in development

Focuses on 4 thematic areas

- Private Sector Engagement through South-South Cooperation for the SDGs
- Private Sector Engagement in Skills Development
- **Impact Investing**
- Resilience and Crisis Response

Hosts 6 global initiatives

- Business Call to Action
- Connecting Business Initiative
- **Global Islamic Finance and Impact Investing Platform**
- SDG AI Lab
- SDG Philanthropy Platform
- Skills for Inclusive Future

GLOBAL ISLAMIC FINANCE AND IMPACT INVESTING PLATFORM (GIFIIP)



GIFIIP in Brief

GIFIIP aims at creating synergies between Islamic Finance and Impact Investing to finance the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) until 2030.

GIFIIP's Vision

To position Islamic finance impact investing as a leading enabler of global SDG implementation through private sector engagement.

The Platform was created by the Islamic Development Bank (IsDB) and UNDP in 2016.



CURRENT ACTIVITIES



- ☐ **Green Sukuk Initiative**
- ☐ **Evidence Based Research**
- ☐ **Islamic Finance and Impact Investing Training (PK, IN, MO, TR)**
- ☐ **Massive Online Open Course (MOOC): Islamic Finance for the Sustainable Development Goals**
- ☐ **Technical Assistance Services on Islamic Finance (Afghanistan and Djibouti)**

GREEN SUKUK INITIATIVE

The Green Sukuk Initiative aims at:

- Facilitating access to finance for green energy projects in developing countries and globally
- Providing financial solutions to environmental challenges
- Expanding the role of Islamic finance in achieving the SDGs

Partners:



Initiated in Turkey, Pakistan and Uzbekistan

Scope of Work:



1. Pre-Assessment Study



2. Validation Workshop and
Multi-Stakeholder Task Force



3. Green Sukuk Report (*country specific*) and *facilitation*

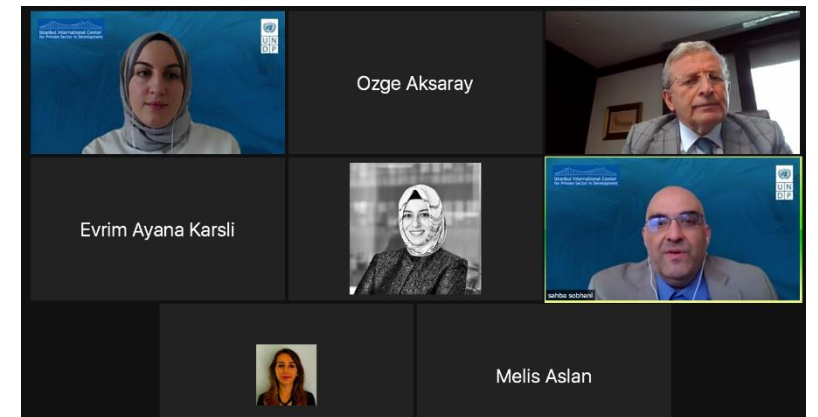


ISLAMIC FINANCE AND IMPACT INVESTING TRAINING

- The programme aims at building capacities of Islamic financiers and impact investors to seize new investment opportunities in line with the SDGs.
- The training programme was held in Karachi, Jakarta and Casablanca physically before the pandemic.
- It was replicated online in Turkey as **‘Impact Investing for the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs): A New Chapter for Participation Finance’** training programme on 26-27 May 2021, in collaboration with the Participation Banks Association of Turkey (TKBB).

Audience:

- Central Banks
- Islamic Banks
- Development Banks
- Takaful Companies
- Fintech companies
- Shariah Scholars and Academics
- Investment Fund Managers, Asset Managers
- Regulators



The training programme was held in
Pakistan, Indonesia, Morocco and Turkey.

ISLAMIC FINANCE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE: AFGHANISTAN AND DJIBOUTI



Leveraging Islamic Finance for Community Based Livelihoods and SMEs in Afghanistan

- UNDP IICPSD has been providing technical assistance services related to Islamic finance to the UNDP Afghanistan Country Office, assisting the country office in leveraging Islamic finance to impact local livelihoods and SMEs.
- As part of this effort, IICPSD has developed two reports, addressed different parts of the project and complemented by one another, **“Microfinance Landscape in Afghanistan and Islamic Financing Alternatives: Assessment and Strategic Recommendations”**, and **“Pre-Feasibility Study on Engaging Islamic Finance Modalities in Credit Guarantee Funds”**

Enhancing Economic Resilience of Vulnerable SMEs in Djibouti

- In 2021, under the **“Enhancing Economic Resilience of Vulnerable SMEs in Djibouti”** project, IICPSD provided technical assistance covering an assessment study of the Islamic microfinance ecosystem in Djibouti and a strategic recommendations report, including a pilot model for the Islamic microfinance program in the country and a product proposal.

Innovation-Based, Technology-Enabled Capacity Building
MASSIVE OPEN ONLINE COURSE (MOOC)
ISLAMIC FINANCE FOR THE SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS



Innovation-Based, Technology-Enabled Capacity Building MASSIVE OPEN ONLINE COURSE (MOOC) ISLAMIC FINANCE FOR THE SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS



- First of its kind Massive Open Online Course (MOOC) designed for capacity building in order to engage development professionals and Islamic finance stakeholders for leveraging this vital source for financing sustainable development.
- With the support of the Islamic Development Bank (IsDB) and Transform Fund, and in partnership with the Islamic Development Bank Institute (IsDBI) and Durham University, UK, the UNDP IICPSD has undertaken the development of the Massive Online Open Course (MOOC) "Islamic Finance for the Sustainable Development Goals".

MODULES

- 1 Introduction**
- 2 The Sustainable Development Goals and the Role of Islamic Finance**
- 3 Modes and Institutions of Islamic Finance**
- 4 Impact Investing and Islamic Finance**
- 5 Perspectives for Multilateral Organizations in Engaging with Islamic Finance**

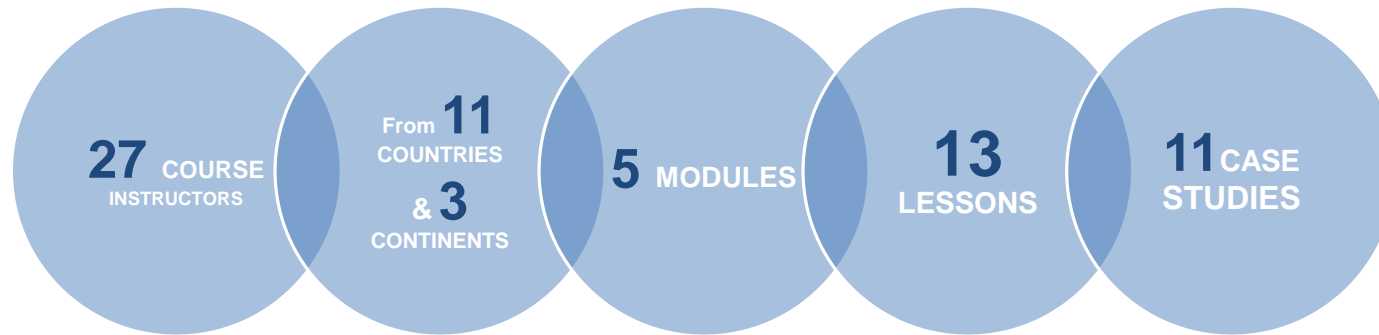
PARTNER INSTITUTIONS



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- The course involves **27** eminent subject matter experts from who have gained international recognition in the Islamic finance sector, as well as experienced development specialists as course instructors.
- Instructors participated from **11** countries across **3** continents; Bangladesh, Indonesia, KSA, Malaysia, Norway, Pakistan, Qatar, Turkey, UAE, UK, USA.

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS



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ONLINE DELIVERY PLATFORMS

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Module 1 Introduction

Welcoming Remarks

- **Achim Steiner**
UNDP Administrator
- **H.E. Dr. Muhammad Al Jasser**
President, Islamic Development Bank and Chairman, Islamic Development Bank Group

Introductory Sessions

- **Sahba Sobhani**
Director
UNDP Istanbul International Center for Private Sector in Development (IICPSD)
- **Dr. Sami Al Suwailem**
Acting Director General (IsDB Institute) and Chief Economist
Islamic Development Bank Institute (IsDBI)
- **Prof. Mehmet Asutay**
Professor of Middle Eastern and Islamic Political Economy & Finance
Durham Centre for Islamic Economics and Finance (DCIEF), Durham University Business School

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Module 2

The Sustainable Development Goals and the Role of Islamic Finance

Lesson 1: The Sustainable Development Goals and Financing the 2030 Agenda

Dr. Mahmoud Mohieldin, Special Envoy on Financing 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development
United Nations

Lesson 2: Islamic Finance: An Ethical Proposition for Sustainable Development

Prof. Mehmet Asutay, Professor of Middle Eastern and Islamic Political Economy & Finance, Durham
Centre for Islamic Economics and Finance (DCIEF), Durham University Business School

Lesson 3: The Islamic Finance Principles and Their Link with the Sustainable Development Goals

Prof. Habib Ahmed, Sharjah Chair in Islamic Law & Finance, Durham University Business School

Case Study: An Interest-Free Microfinance Institution: Akhuwat Pakistan

Dr. Muhammad Amjad Saqib, Founder & CEO, Akhuwat

Case Study: Charity-based Microfinance: Islamic Relief Worldwide

Dr. Mohammed Kroessin, Head of the Islamic Microfinance Business Unit, Islamic Relief Worldwide

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Module 3

Modes and Institutions of Islamic Finance

Lesson 1: Islamic Commercial Finance Instruments

Kamran Sherwani, Islamic Banking and Finance Expert

Lesson 2: Islamic Social Finance Instruments and Institutions for Economic and Social Empowerment

Dr. Aishath Muneeza, Associate Professor, International Centre for Education in Islamic Finance (INCEIF), Malaysia

Lesson 3: Islamic Social Finance: Unlocking the Potential in Humanitarian Crises

Dr. Sarah A. Tobin, Research Professor, Chr. Michelsen Institute, Bergen, Norway

Lesson 4: The Governance Structure and Principles in Islamic Commercial and Social Finance Sectors

Mohammad Farrukh Raza, Group CEO, IFAAS (Islamic Finance Advisory & Assurance Services)

Case Study: Integrating Sustainability into Banking: CIMB Malaysia

Rafe Haneef, Chief Executive Officer, Group Transaction Banking & CIMB Foundation

Case Study: A Bank-Led Startup Accelerator: Albaraka Garaj

Talha Erdoğan, Director, Albaraka Garaj

Case Study: Channeling Microfinance Through a Commercial Bank: Islami Bank Bangladesh Limited

Dr. Md. Mizanur Rahman, Director Research, Islami Bank Training and Research Academy, Islami Bank Bangladesh Limited (IBBL)

Case Study: A Digitalized Islamic Cooperative Institution: KSPPS BMT Bahtera in Indonesia

Budi Hardyansyah, Chairman, KSPPS BMT Bahtera

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Module 4

Impact Investing and Islamic Finance

Lesson 1: Financial Mechanisms for Private Sector Engagement in Sustainable Development

Funda Süzer, Impact Investing Portfolio Lead, UNDP Istanbul International Center for Private Sector in Development (IICPSD)

Lesson 2: Blending Islamic Finance and Impact Investing

Dr. Dalal Aassouli, Associate Dean for Academic Affairs & Assistant Professor of Islamic Finance, College of Islamic Studies, Hamad bin Khalifa University (HBKU)

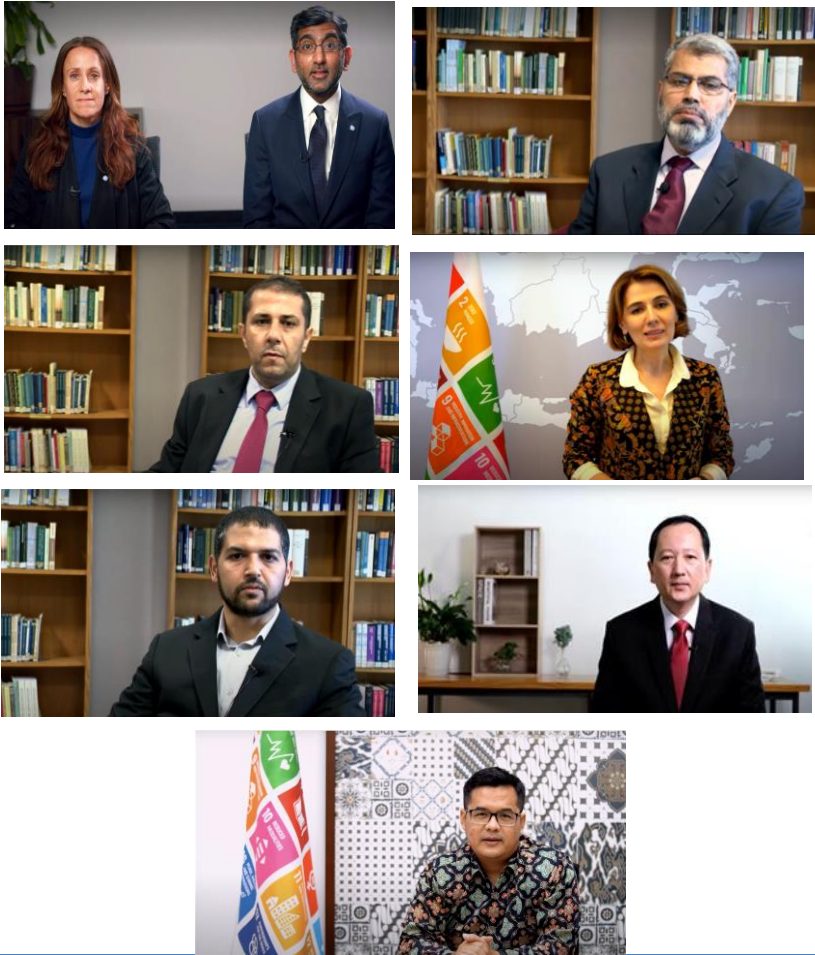
Lesson 3: Impact Measurement and Management

Rabayl Mirza, Impact Specialist, United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) Business Call to Action (BCtA)

Case Study: Blending Islamic Finance and Impact Investing: The Global Islamic Finance and Impact Investing Platform (GIFIIP)

Ayşe Nur Tepebaşı, Islamic Finance Portfolio, UNDP Istanbul International Center for Private Sector in Development (IICPSD)

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Module 5

Perspectives for Multilateral Organizations in Engaging with Islamic Finance

Lesson 1: Engaging with Islamic Finance within the Policy Frameworks of Development Organizations

Dr. Aamir A. Rehman, Senior Advisor on Islamic Finance, United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)

Mariana González Migueles, Team Leader for International Financial Institutions, United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)

Lesson 2: Financial Development with Risk-Sharing: An Islamic Finance Framework

Dawood Ashraf Ph.D., CFA, Senior Research Economist, Islamic Development Bank Institute (IsDBI)

Lesson 3: Development Finance Framework and Infrastructure Institution: Islamic Development Bank (IsDB)

Dr. Rami Abdelkafi, Team Leader, Knowledge Leaders, Islamic Development Bank Institute (IsDBI)

Case Study: Unlocking Zakat to Help Communities: UNDP Indonesia

Sophie Kemkhadze, Deputy Resident Representative, United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) Indonesia

Case Study: Activating Waqf for Sustainable Development: Awqaf Properties Investment Fund (APIF)

Dr. Mohamed Ali Chatti, Manager, Awqaf Investment Funds Division & Acting Director, Islamic Financial Sector Development (IFSD) Department, Islamic Development Bank (IsDB)

Case Study: Pioneering Green Sukuk: The Technical Assistance of World Bank in Malaysia

Mohamed Rozani Osman, Senior Financial Sector Specialist, World Bank Group Inclusive Growth and Sustainable Finance Hub in Malaysia

Case Study: Pioneering Green Sukuk: The Technical Assistance of UNDP in Indonesia

Muhammad Didi Hardiana, Head of Innovative Financing Lab, United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) Indonesia

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KEY RESULT AREAS & ANTICIPATED OUTCOMES



EXTENDED AWARENESS

and comfortable communication in Islamic finance and enhanced understanding of Islamic finance principles



CAPACITY BUILDING

among Islamic finance industry and regulatory bodies on the role of Islamic finance in sustainable development and financing the SDGs



DIALOGUE AND PARTNERSHIPS

Developing policies and identifying projects for sustainable development where Islamic finance would be broadly relevant



UNIQUE RESOURCE

That is recorded and will be available on a permanent basis in the future

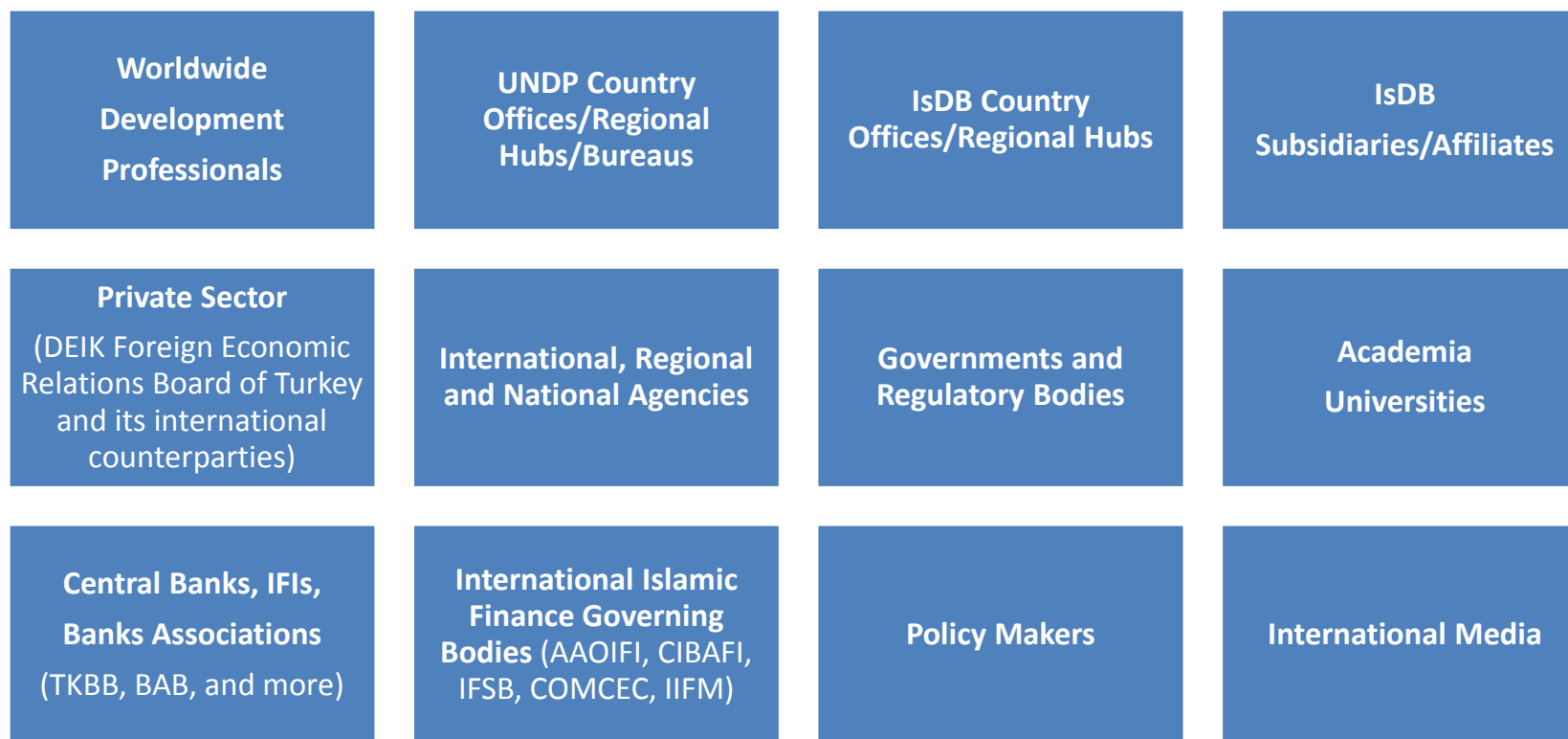


BROAD BASE OF TARGET AUDIENCE

Development professionals, Islamic finance stakeholders, regulatory bodies, academia and more

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**TARGET
AUDIENCE**

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INTERNATIONAL EVENTS

- ❑ 11th International Investment Conference Sarajevo Business Forum (SBF), May 2022
- ❑ 17th Meeting of the Financial Cooperation Working Group of the COMCEC, May 2022
- ❑ 2022 IsDB Group Annual Meeting, June 2022
- ❑ United Nations General Assembly (UNGA), September 2022