# Sukuk,

their practical applications and challenges

Date: Tuesday 29th April, 2008

Venue: George Green Building, 115 East India Dock, London E14 6DA, UK



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- · Product Development Personnel in financial institutions
- Regulators
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- · New entrants to the Islamic financial sector
- · Shari'ah advisors
- · Asset Managers

### Programme:

- 08:30 Registration & morning coffee
- 09:00 Introductory Address (Iqbal Khan)
- 09:15 Sukuk Overview (Dr Adnan Aziz)
  - · What are Sukuk?
  - · Comparison with conventional capital market products
  - Sukuk structuring perspectives (uses of Sukuk, role of counter parties, credit risk, legal risk)
  - .Q&A
- 10:30 Break & Refreshments
- 11:00 Practical Applications of Islamic Finance Contracts as a basis of Sukuk activities (Richard De Belder & Matthew Sapte)
  - · General Shari'a related issues that have an impact on structuring issues
  - · Practical examples:
  - (i) Sukuk Ijara
    - asset based (Nakheel)
    - asset backed (Tamweel)
  - (ii) Sukuk Musharika
    - Sharikat al melk (Amlak)
    - Sharikat al Aqt (PCFC)
  - (iii) Sukuk Murabaha (Aldar)
  - ·Q&A

## 13:00 Lunch

- 14:00 Developing Islamic Capital Markets & Promoting a Secondary Market for Sukuk (Stella Cox)
  - · Importance of the Sukuk market
  - · Current market overview
  - What will make Sukuk more tradable on an ongoing basis
  - · Development of Sukuk secondary market
  - ·Q&A
- 15:00 Break & Refreshments
- 15:30 Challenges
  - Conflict between the Shari'ah and conventional business laws in structuring Sukuk (Mohaimin Choudhury)
  - · Shari'ah concerns on Sukuk structuring (Mufti Barakatuallah)
  - · How are income and gains from sukuk treated in the hands of UK investors?
  - Explanation of the tax treatment of UK issuers of sukuk in the light of the 2008 Budget (Phil Heath)
- 17:00 Q & A and closing remarks

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