

Central Bank of Oman, Moody's,
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ISLAMIC FINANCE ROUNDTABLE

19th of October 2023, Thursday at Jumeirah Muscat Hotel

WELCOME REMARKS



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Key Speaker/Moderator

KEY SPEAKERS



FRANCESCA PAOLINO
Analyst, Financial
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Moody's Investors Service



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CEO, Bank Nizwa



SHAMZANI HUSSAIN
GM, Meethaq Islamic
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MOHAMMED ALI LONDE
VP-Senior Analyst,
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MURTADHA AL LAWATI
AGM Head of Marketing
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Communications,
Oman Housing Bank

Moderator



SALIM AL MAHARBI
CFO, Bank Nizwa



SUAD AL BALUSHI
AGM Head of
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09:00
10 minutes

Welcome remarks

- 1 - **H.E. Tahir Al Amri**, The Executive President of Central Bank of Oman
- 2 - **Ali Al Mani**, Board Member of Oman Banks Association
- 3 - **Nitish Bhojnagarwala**, Senior Vice President/Manager, Financial Institutions Group, Moody's Investors Service

09:10
20 minutes

Presentation

Global Landscaping for Islamic Banking and Sukuk Markets

- Growth trends in Islamic banking across the GCC, Africa, CIS countries
- How will gross financing needs shape up over the next year?
- Sukuk issuance expectations and market update

Speaker: **Nitish Bhojnagarwala**, Senior Vice President/Manager, Financial Institutions Group, Moody's Investors Service

09:30
60 minutes

Panel Discussion 1: Growth of the Islamic Banking System and Takaful

- Islamic banks' performance in the region and in Oman
- Drivers of growth and increased penetration of Islamic banks in Oman
- Takaful growth prospects in the region and in Oman

Moderator: **Nitish Bhojnagarwala**, Senior Vice President/Manager, Financial Institutions Group, Moody's Investors Service

Panelists:

- 1 - **Francesca Paolino**, Analyst, Financial Institutions Group, Moody's Investors Service
- 2 - **Khalid Al Kayed**, CEO, Bank Nizwa
- 3 - **Shamzani Hussain**, GM, Meethaq Islamic Banking
- 4 - **Dr. Abeer Al Yaqoobi**, Acting Manager, Licensing Department, Central Bank of Oman
- 5 - **Mohammed Ali Londe**, VP-Senior Analyst, Financial Institutions Group, Moody's Investors Service

10:30
15 minutes Networking Break

10:45
60 minutes

Panel Discussion 2: Enhancing Capitalization: AT1 and T2 Sukuk Issuance by Islamic Banks

- Significance of AT1 and T2 Sukuk issuance for Islamic banks
- Insights from Islamic banks that have successfully issued AT1 and T2 Sukuk
- Rating considerations in the issuance of AT1 and T2 Sukuk
- Potential areas for innovation and development in AT1 and T2 Sukuk structures
- Assessing the market appetite for AT1 and T2 Sukuk and identifying future opportunities

Moderator: **Murtadha Al Lawati**, AGM Head of Marketing and Corporate Communications, Oman Housing Bank

Panelists:

- 1 - **Nitish Bhojnagarwala**, Senior Vice President/Manager, Financial Institutions Group, Moody's Investors Service
- 2 - **Salim Al Maharbi**, CFO, Bank Nizwa
- 3 - **Suad Al Balushi**, AGM Head of Treasury and FI, Oman Housing Bank
- 4 - **Mohammed Al Balushi**, Assistant General Manager - Head of Treasury and Investment, Ahli Bank

11:45 Networking with Refreshments