2nd Turin Islamic Economic Forum
19 - 20 October 2015
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MONDAY, 19th OCTOBER

8:30 - 9:30
REGISTRATION

9:30 - 9:55
INSTITUTIONAL GREETINGS
Piero Fassino - Mayor City of Turin
Gianmaria Ajani - Rector of University of Turin
Licia Mattioli - President of the Industrial Confederation Turin

9:55 - 10:00
OPENING REMARKS - Introducing TIEF2015: from TIEF2014 toward TIEF2015
Gianmarco Montanari - Managing Director City of Turin

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**session I**

Public and private Institutions and the Development of Islamic Finance

10:00 - 11:15
Session chair: Francesco Profumo - President IREN

Saeed Mubarak Khalfan Kharbash Al Marri - Head of Strategy and Planning - Dubai Islamic Economy Development Centre
Vincenzo Ilotte - President Chamber of Commerce of Turin
Massimo Lapucci - Secretary General Fondazione CRT
Mauro Marzocchi - Secretary General of the Italian Industry & Commerce Chamber in the UAE

11:15 - 11:45
COFFEE/TEA BREAK

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**session II**

FINANCE

Islamic Finance: a Tool for Local Development

11:45 - 13:30
Session chair: Alberto Brugnoni - Founder and Managing Partner - ASSAIF

Abayomi A. Alawode - Head of Islamic Finance - Finance & Markets Global Practice - WORLD BANK GROUP - Unlocking Islamic Finance for Long-Term Growth and Development
Enrico Giustiniani - AIAF Associazione Italiana degli Analisti e Consulenti Finanziari - Launching of 2015 Report: "Obbligazioni islamiche e cartolarizzazioni immobiliari. Le prospettive italiane per l’emissione di un sukuk" (Islamic bonds and real-estate securitization. The Italian perspective for issuing a sukuk)
Barbara D’Andrea, Head of Investor Relations - Fondo Strategico Italiano SpA
Giovanni Luppi - REP-Legal - Milano - A Shariah compliant minibond fund

13:30 - 14:45
LUNCH (HALAL - BIO) AND PRAYER BREAK
PROGRAMMA

session III

FOOD

HALAL CERTIFICATION • Principles and flows

14:45 - 15:45
Session Chair: Gianmarco Montanari - Managing Director City of Turin
Shaima Hasan - Head of Research and Product Development for Islamic Markets - Thomson Reuters Dubai
Hamid 'Abd al-Qadir Distefano - CEO HALALITALIA
Annamaria Tiozzo - President WHAD Italian Halal Certification Center

15:45 - 16:15
REFRESHMENTS AVAILABLE DURING ONGOING SESSION AT D4 PAVILION

HALAL CERTIFICATION • Enterprises’ point of view

15:45 - 16:45
Session Chairs: Hamid 'Abd al-Qadir Distefano - CEO HALALITALIA
Annamaria Tiozzo - President WHAD Italian Halal Certification Center

ENTERPRISES
Egle Sebaste - Owner - Sebaste SpA
Federico Allamprese - CEO - Il Granaio delle Idee srl
Bhushant Jitendra Gandhi - Manager - Truebell Dubai
Pietro Cerlesi - Manager - ABIT
Rita Rizzi - Founder and CEO - RF COSMETICI srl
Gian Luca Vercelli - Owner - GRUPPO VERCELLI

HALAL CERTIFICATION • The Italian Heritage

16:45 - 17:20
Michela Lenta - Slow Food Foundation for Biodiversity Onlus
Carmine Garzia - Professor - University of Gastronomic Sciences

17:20 - 17:30
CLOSING REMARKS
Gianmarco Montanari - Managing Director City of Turin
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TUESDAY, 20th OCTOBER

8:30 - 9:30
REGISTRATION

9:30 - 9:45
SUM UP OF THE PREVIOUS DAY - INTRODUCING THE AGENDA
Gianmarco Montanari - Managing Director City of Turin
Alberto Brugnoni - Founder and Managing Partner - ASSAIF

session IV
FINANCE

Islamic Finance and Financial Services

9:45 - 11:15
Session chair: Alberto Brugnoni - Founder and Managing Partner - ASSAIF
Keith Leach - Member of the Board Al Rayan Bank (United Kingdom)
Sevket Can Tulumen - Vice-President of MUSIAD Businessman Association and Istanbul Chamber of Commerce (Auditing Board Member)
Angela Di Maria - Banca d’Italia
Mohammad Shakatreh - University of Turin Islamic finance & utilities case study Iren
Maha Radwan - University of Turin Islamic finance & utilities case study Iren

11:15 - 11:45
COFFEE/TEA BREAK

session V
FASHION

Modest Fashion Opportunities

11:45 - 13:30
SETTING THE STAGE
Session Chair: Alia Khan - Founder and Chairwoman - Islamic Fashion Design Council (IFDC)
Shaima Hasan - Head of Research and Product Development for Islamic Markets-Thomson Reuters Dubai
Neslihan Cevik - PhD [Sociology, Arizona State Uni], consultant Author of Islamism in Turkey and Beyond: Religion in the modern world

ROUNDTABLE
Giuseppe Miroglio - Chairman - Miroglio SpA
Christian Pasello - Global Visual Merchandiser of Roberto Cavalli
Kerim Ture - Founder - Modanisa
Ibtihaj Muhammad - Founder - Louella by Ibtihaj Muhammad
Mehmet Sahin - Founder - Hasema
Imad El Kanj - Founder Italy’s Got Style

13:30 - 14:45
LUNCH (HALAL - BIO) AND PRAYER BREAK
PROGRAMMA

session VI
FINANCE
Universities and the Development of Islamic Finance

14:45 - 16:15
Session chair: Paolo Biancone - Director European Research Center for Islamic Finance - University of Turin
Rosita Di Peri - Department of Cultures, Politics and Society - University of Turin
Neslihan Cevik - PhD (Sociology, Arizona State Uni), Associate Fellow, University of Virginia, IASC
Valentino Cattelan - Ph.D. in Law & Economics (University of Siena), and author of “Islamic Finance in Europe: towards a plural financial system”
Roberta Aluffi - Associate professor of Comparative Law - University of Turin
Christian Bertelle - President IFSO Islamic Finance Students Organization

16:15 - 16:45
COFFEE/TEA BREAK

session VII
FINANCE
Young Entrepreneurs’ point of view

16:45 - 17:30
Session Chair: Cristina Tumiatti - President Young Entrepreneurs Turin
Fatimah Habib Eddine - www.lafinanzaislamica.it
Yassine Baradai - www.halalandia.com
Zakaria Abouabid - LATHAM & WATKINS - www.lw.com
Valeria Lazzaroli - CEO - Equi Investments
Giorgia Garola - Scam Spa
Yohan Berkol - Blue Engineering Srl
Marco Vicentini - GV Filtri Industriali Srl

17:30 - 17:40
CONCLUSIONS
Alberto Brugnoni - Founder and Managing Partner - ASSAIF

17:40 - 17:50
CLOSING REMARKS
Gianmarco Montanari - Managing Director City of Turin
Anna Shamira Minozzi (Venezia) is an Italian artist inspired by Islamic and ancient Egyptian hieroglyphic writing. She is the creator of innovative calligraphic compositions. Her artistic endeavor aimed at promoting dialogue between different cultures has received many awards and institutional appreciations. Shamira has realized an artistic Christian-Islamic calendar.
PIERO FASSINO

Piero Fassino Mayor of Torino, has been a Member of the Italian Parliament since 1994. Graduated in Political Sciences, he was elected Councillor at the City Council of the City of Torino in 1975 and Provincial Councillor in 1980. He has served as State Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Minister of Foreign Trade, Minister of Justice and Chairman of the Political Committee of the European Security and Defense Assembly/WEU Assembly. In 2001, during the National Party Congress of the Democrats of the Left, he was elected as Secretary (Leader) of the party: re-elected in 2005, he held the office until 2007. In November 2007, he has appointed European Union Special Envoy for Burma/Myanmar. In 2009 he was appointed Rapporteur for the Middle East by the Council of the European Union. Currently he also serves as President of ANCI, the national Association of Italian municipalities and as President of the Turin Metropolitan City.

GIANMARIA AJANI

Gianmaria Ajani Rector of the University of Torino since October 2013. At the University of Torino, he is Professor of Law and holds the chairs of Comparative Legal Systems, International Law & Contracts and Chinese Law. He served as Director of the Department of Juridical Science from 1998 to 2004, Dean of the Faculty of Law from 2009 to 2013, Member of the Academic Senate, and Director of the Law Department from 2012 to 2013. He worked as a Visiting Scholar in Moscow and Leiden and as a Visiting Professor in Berkeley, Fribourg, Zhongnan and Georgetown. He served as a legal expert for the Sacharov Foundation Initiative to advise the USSR Government on legal reforms, as a consultant to the IMF - International Monetary Fund - and the Council of Europe on the project of recodification of civil law in Albania. He was member of the OSCE - Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe to facilitate dialogue between the Ukrainian Central Government and the Crimean Authorities, as a participant in a EC/TACIS project and as an expert for a UNDP project on the training of National Assembly officials in Hanoi, Vietnam.

VINCENZO ILOTTE

Vincenzo Ilotte President of the Chamber of Commerce of Torino. Since 1992, he has joined the family group, 2A SPA, which operates in the field of production of zippers and die-casting aluminium and zamac alloys. He is a Member of the Torino Chamber of Commerce Council since 2009, Vice President of the Regional Association of Chambers of Commerce, a member of the Governing Council and of the Presidency Committee of the ICC Italy (International Chamber of Commerce) and Vice President of Italy Unioncamere. In 2008 he was appointed Vice President of Unione Industriale of Torino. He held in time numerous significant positions within others associations: from 1999 to 2001 he was President of the Young Entrepreneurs Group of Unione Industriale of Torino; from 2000 he was Vice President of AMMA (Aziende Meccaniche Meccatroniche Associate), of which he became President in September 2008. Since June 2015 he is President of the Unicredit North West Territory Council. In the past he was member of the Board of Directors of several companies, including Sagat, Italconsult, CMSP, Agenzia Torino srl. In the financial sector he founded Strategia Italia sgr, Ventura Finance spa and YUCO srl.
SPEAKERS

ZAKARIA ABOUABID
Zakaria Abouabid Lawyer Associate at Latham & Watkins in the Milan office. His practice focuses primarily on corporate, private equity, debt restructuring and Islamic Finance. He assists Italian and international clients in connection with Italian and cross-border investments, mergers and acquisitions, debt restructurings and Islamic Finance. Prior to joining Latham & Watkins in 2015, he was an associate at Jones Day in Milan.

ABAYOMI ALAWODE
Abayomi Alawode joined the World Bank in 1997 as a Young Professional and is currently Head of Islamic Finance in the Bank’s Finance and Markets Global Practice. Previously, he worked in various capacities including as Practice Manager (Financial Systems Practice), Lead Financial Sector Specialist (East Asia and Pacific Region) and as Program Leader/Senior Financial Specialist (World Bank Institute). He also served as Adviser, Financial Stability at the Central Bank of Bahrain from 2006 to 2010. Before joining the World Bank, Abayomi was a Lecturer in Economics at the Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife, Nigeria (1990-1994) and an Instructor in Development Economics at the University of Cambridge. He holds a B.Sc and M.Sc (both in Economics) from the Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife, Nigeria and an M.Phil in Development Studies from the University of Cambridge, England. He is the author of several academic papers on monetary and financial sector issues.

FEDERICO ALLAMPRESE
Federico Allamprese Manes Rossi Founder and CEO Il Granaio delle Idee Srl. Born in San Donà di Piave (Venezia) in 1973, Federico established his company in 1998, which deals with the research & development, production and distribution of innovative blends and natural improvers for bread-making. His skills in innovation are confirmed by several patents and registered trademarks. His enthusiasm led him to reach challenging goals, thus building, over the years, a Team of professionals. Today, Il Granaio delle Idee is a reference company for artisan bakers and bakery industries, both in Italy and abroad. In 2004 Federico founded Ruggeri Srl, a commercial company which sells innovative flours and mixes for special bread and confectionery to GDO and Ho.Re.Ca channels. Ruggeri is now a reference brand in the Food industry, with a philosophy based on the use of natural ingredients only.

SAEED MUBARAK KHARBASH AL MARRI
Saeed Mubarak Kharbash Al Marri Head of Strategy & Planning at Dubai Islamic Economy Development Centre (DIEDC). He holds more than 10 years of experience in diverse financial disciplines and strategy gained from working with institutions such as Istithmar World, ENEC & TAQA (Abu Dhabi National Energy Company) as a Finance Manager in the Strategic Planning Department, Economic Specialist in ENEC (Emirates Nuclear Energy Corporation), Associate in Istithmar World - The Investment Arm of Dubai World Group - and focused on Investments in Financial Services. Saeed Kharbash holds an MBA in Islamic Finance - with Distinction - from Cass Business School in England, as well as a Master’s in International Business from Hertfordshire University in England and a Bachelor degree in Communication Engineering from Khalifa University in the UAE.
SPEAKERS

ROBERTA ALUFFI

Roberta Aluffi Associate Professor of Comparative Law at the Faculty of Law, University of Turin, where she also teaches Islamic Law and African Law. She was visiting professor or lecturer in a number of universities (Katholieke Universiteit Leuven, Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales (Paris), University of Alicante, Faculty of Theology of Lugano (CH), University of Milan, University of Siena, University of Marrakesh). She is Member of the Board of Direction of FIERI (International and European Forum on Migration Research); founding Committee Member of IDEDI (Intercultura, Democrazia e Diritto), and Member of the Editorial Board of Daimon, Annuario di Diritto Comparato delle Religioni. She served on the Interior Minister’s Advisory Board on social integration and citizenship (2007-2008). Her main research interests focus on family law in the Arab Countries and the challenges faced by the European legal systems in integrating Islam.

YASSINE BARADAI

Yassine Baradai Founder and owner of Halalandia.com, the first Italian e-store dedicated to the Muslim Community in Italy. Multi-year experience at Islamic Relief Italy, with specific remits of donor care, stakeholders’ relations and communication. Currently shareholder of an IT consultancy Company, Weellow Srl, which provides technology services to Italian and Arab customers. He covers different functions for the Muslims national and local organizations and he is based in Piacenza, where he works as Executive Director of the Islamic Centre of Piacenza.

YOHAN BERKOL

Yohan Berkol Financial Manager Blue Engineering Srl (Torino), the company founded by his father CEO and President Onnik Berkol. He is involved in GGI (Young Entrepreneurs Group) of the Turin Industrial Association (Unione Industriale) in which he is committed in numerous Commissions and Delegations such as Yes4To, Marketing&Events, Educational. He is Start-up Coordinator of the Turin Industrial Association too. In 2013 he also joined Naples Industrial Association. Born in 1981, he is Entrepreneur since 2008 starting as Financial Manager in Administration &Control Department, than Purchasing Manager and Customers Administrative Manager. Presently he manages all the financial aspects related to R & D projects and their public funding.

CHRISTIAN BERTELLE

Christian Bertelle President of the Islamic Finance Students Organization (IFSO) (Strasbourg). Most of Christian’s career has been dedicated to Crédit Agricole. He carried out many projects such as the launching of the Insurance Company PACIFICA, the change over to Y2K compliance and the change over to the euro. For some years now, he has taken an interest in ethical finance. He has recently enrolled in Strasbourg University on an EMBA Islamic Finance course. He is planning to carry on his banking career, using his experience and skills in developing Islamic finance both in France and North Africa.
SPEAKERS

PAOLO PIETRO BIANCONE
Paolo Pietro Biancone Full Professor of Financial Management and Islamic Finance at the University of Turin. He acts as the director of the European Research Centre for Islamic Finance (www.ercif.org) and Coordinator of the PhD in Business Management at the University of Turin. He has been teaching at the University of Lanzhou (China) and at the National Chengchi University in Taipei (Taiwan) for several years. He is a speaker at national and international conferences and also an author of numerous publications in the field of Accounting and Islamic Finance. He is the Editor in Chief for the European Journal of Islamic Finance as well as the Scientific Journal of Management Science.

ALBERTO BRUGNONI
Alberto Brugnoni Former director with Merrill Lynch Bank, he is the Founding and Managing Partner of the ‘Associazione per lo Sviluppo di Strumenti Alternativi e di Innovazione Finanziaria’ - ASSAIF (Milano), the oldest Islamic finance consultancy in Europe. He also manages NuoviStilidiVita a consultancy practice on sustainability, financial and social inclusion, ethical monies and added territorial value. He is the Founder and President of Dulcarnon - a publishing house of Islamica that aims to make accessible to the Western public important texts on Islamic spirituality. Alberto regularly chairs the major Islamic finance forums worldwide and gives presentations in Arabic, English, French and Italian.

VALENTINO CATTELAN
Valentino Cattelan Ph.D. in Law & Economics from the University of Siena in 2009. He is specialized in Islamic law, economics and finance, and his research activity covers aspects of legal and financial pluralism, property rights theory, history of capitalism, law of Islamic finance, comparative law and social finance. From 2010 to 2013 he was Academic Coordinator of the project Integrating Islamic Finance in the EU Market at the University of Rome Tor Vergata, sponsored by the EU Commission, Jean Monnet Programme. In 2013-2014 he was Visiting Fellow in Islamic Finance, under the SC-OCIS Scholar in Residence Programme, at the Oxford Centre for Islamic Studies - University of Oxford. Editor of the volume “Islamic Finance in Europe: Towards a Plural Financial System” (Edward Elgar Publishing, 2013). He currently teaches Islamic economics and finance in the Master Degree in Mediterranean Studies at the University of Florence.

PIETRO CERLESI
Pietro Cerlesi Director ABIT Piemonte - Gruppo TreValli Cooperlat - since September 2012. He holds a Degree in Agricultural Science (Honours), awarded in 1986 with an experimental thesis on the production and purification of proteolytic enzymes used in the processes of ripening cheese, written in collaboration with the Instituto Lattiero Caseario Sperimentale in Lodi and the Società Produzione Antibiotici spa. From 1986 to 1988 he worked as Researcher at the Istituto di Ricerca Universitario Lattiero Caseario Sperimentale in Lodi. The activity included the publication of scientific works in specific journals of the sector, as well as one year of teaching in a Master’s degree of second level in dairy technologies. From 1998 to 2006 he also worked as Manager at the Centrale del latte in Milan.
NESLIHAN CEVIK

Neslihan Cevik PhD, Sociologist of religion focusing on the question of “how religions, especially Islam, respond to modernity”. She is the author of the upcoming book, “Muslimism in Turkey and Beyond: Religion in the Modern World”, to be released in November-2015 by Palgrave MacMillan. Cevik’s work has appeared in CNN-Arabic, Daily Sabah, OrientXXI, and Political Theology Today, and is translated into Arabic, French, and Turkish. A former Fulbright scholar, she is an associate fellow at IASC, University of Virginia. She helped found the first postcolonial studies research center in Turkey, Uskudar University. An engaged social entrepreneur, she is also a consultant for halal market companies, and leads start-up projects for Muslim women’s economic and public integration.

BARBARA D’ANDREA

Barbara D’Andrea Head of Investor Relations at Fondo Strategico Italiano SpA since May 2014. The FSI S.p.A. strategic shareholder is Cassa depositi e prestiti Group S.p.A., which is controlled by the Ministry for the Economy and Finance, and is active in supporting the economy and the infrastructural development. FSI corporate capital is open to other institutional investors, both Italian and foreign. Prior to joining FSI, Barbara achieved a 17 years’ experience in large and medium corporates, such as Fiat, where she worked in the Treasury Department (Structured Finance, Banking Relations, Capital Markets, Investor Relations), Nike Italy, where she served as Finance Director and Illycaffé, where she was CFO of the company. She holds a degree in Business Economics from the University of Turin.

ANGELA DI MARIA


ROSITA DI PERI

Rosita Di Peri Lecturer in Political Science & IR at the University of Turin. Her research focuses on democracy and authoritarianism in Middle East (Lebanon and Tunisia). She is the scientific coordinator of the Summer School ‘Understanding the Middle East’ (www.to-asia.it/to-mideast) and member of SeSaMO (Italian Association of Middle Eastern Studies). She has published several articles in Italian and international journals, such as ‘Rivista Italiana di Scienza Politica’, ‘British Journal of Middle Eastern Studies’, ‘Politics Religion and Ideology’, etc. She authored a book on the politics of contemporary Lebanon (in Italian) and co-edited several books and Special Issues.
**HAMID 'ABD AL-QADIR DISTEFANO**

Hamid ‘Abd al-Qadir Distefano Founder and CEO of Halal Italia, the Italian Agency for halal certification since 2010. Halal Italia acts as Islamic certification body in the food, cosmetics, pharma and hospitality sectors. Since 2015 year he is Board of Directors member of AICE (Italian Association of Foreign Trade). Graduated in Law and Religions at the University of Turin, Faculty of Law with a thesis on the “Status of Islam in the Italian legal system”, he wrote several studies and participated in many conferences and seminars aimed to promote a better understanding of Islam in the West.

**IMAD EL KANJ**

Imad El Kanj Founder & eCommerce Manager (CEO) Italy’s Got Style Srl, multistore fashion e-Commerce, the first Italian e-Boutique designed to meet the needs of a new rising Mid-High class Arab women, by selling Italian fashion items in 9 Arab countries (GCC, Lebanon, Jordan & Egypt) with innovative way and collaborations with domestic associations and institution for the promotion of the “Made in Italy”. Lebanese living in Italy, he holds a Master Degree in International Economics And Finance from University “Cattolica del Sacro Cuore” Milano and a Bachelor in Marketing, Corporation Communication And International Markets from University of Milano Bicocca.

**PIERFRANCESCO GAGGI**

Pierfrancesco Gaggi Head of International Relations at Associazione Bancaria Italiana (ABI), he is the Chairman of the Italian Group of Banks participating to SWIFT since 1998. In 2006, he became Deputy Head of the Financial Services Division at the Association for Italian Banks. In 2007, he was appointed as Member of the Financial Market Committee at European Banking Federation and in 2008 Chairman of ABI Lab - Consortium of banks and banks’ providers in ICT. He is currently a member of the European Banking Federation Executive Committee and a Board member of EMMI since 2011. He holds an academic degree in Economics from the University "La Sapienza" in Rome. As he worked for the Association for Italian Banks (ABI), in the Economic Research department and in the Payment Systems department, he took additional intensive courses in Management and Financial analysis.

**BHUSHANT JITENDRA GANDHI**

Bhushant Jitendra Gandhi CEO Truebell (Dubai), the company established by his father in 1984 in UAE with a foray into the food industry and within a short span established itself as one of the preferred suppliers in the industry. Since he joined the company, he committed in the expansion of the business of distribution to modern trade by securing rights from many Internationally renowned Food brands and launching them in the Middle East. Over the years, Truebell has diversified their business interest in Duty-free operators, Ship supplies, Luxury Goods, Beverages, Travel services, Hospitality, Cafes & Restaurants, Health care products, Relief & Development agency supplies, Export to Indian Ocean Islands, Retail & Food service distribution. Truebell has earned respect as a leading Importer & Distributor in the United Arab Emirates making a mark for itself in the lucrative export markets, across the MENA region and the islands of the Indian Ocean.
Giorgia Garola Vice President and Marketing Manager Scam Spa (Torino). During the last ten years, she has been working in her family company which boasts many decades of experience in the study, planning and building of manufacturing line in the field of thermal and water since its foundation in Turin in 1930. SCAM SpA operates worldwide and in particular in the Middle East, with many installations in UAE, Iraq, Iran, Kuwait, Qatar and Saudi Arabia.

Carmine Garzia Associate Professor of Management at University of Gastronomic Science (UNISG) at Pollenzo - Bra. He is founding member and Fellow of the Advanced Management Centre of the University of Italian Switzerland (USI), Lugano. He is Adjunct Professor of Entrepreneurial Strategy at Bocconi University in Milan. His research interests include: strategic management, innovation and entrepreneurship. In UNISG his research activity is mainly focused on the analysis of competitive dynamics in the food business and on process of business model renewal in food companies. He has been Assistant Professor of Management at University of Valle D’Aosta, Postdoctoral Fellow at University of Italian Switzerland and Research Fellow at the Department of Management of Bocconi University and visiting researcher at the Department of Information Science of the University of Bergen. He holds a Degree in Business Administration and a PhD in Business Administration and Management from Bocconi University.

Enrico Giustiniani registered as professional accountant, official auditor, financial analyst-AIAF, CTU from Rome Court and freelance journalist in Lazio, he is member of the tax technical committee for Associazione Bancaria Italiana (Italian Bank Association). He is also responsible for the “Islamic Finance Group” for AIAF (Italian Association of Accountants and Auditors). Previously, he served as CPL Officer in Italian Guardia di Finanza (Financial Guard) and he worked at Renault Italia, Playtex Italia, Dexia-Crediop. Since 2000 he has been working at BANCA FINNAT EURAMERICA, currently at the Tax Office. He has published different papers about Islamic finance.

Fatimah Habib Eddine Founder and Managing Editor of “La Finanza Islamica Magazine”, the first on line magazine dedicated to Islamic economics and finance in Italy (). The magazine mission is to provide news and analysis about this developing field, with the aim to raise Italian public awareness on the importance of adopting alternative financial and economic instruments. It aims also to help the Italian readers understand the principles of Islamic economics. After receiving her B.A. degree from University of Torino, Fatima continued her education obtaining an MBA from the European Business School “ESCP Europe” in Torino and London. After some working experiences in London and Milano, she decided to specialise in Islamic Economic and Finance pursuing Master’s degree in Islamic Banking and Finance at INCEIF, the Global University of Islamic Finance with HQ in Kuala Lampur. She lives in London and she works as a consultant in Islamic Economy and Finance, and Cross-cultural Management with Arab world.
SHAIMA HASAN

Shaima Hasan Research and product development Manager at Thomson Reuters Islamic Finance Division, leading the research team and responsible for developing various Islamic Finance knowledge solutions that serve the growth of Islamic Finance Industry. As an Islamic capital Market specialist, Shaima is a lead author of several Thomson Reuters reports such as Sukuk Perceptions & Forecast Study, Global Islamic Asset Management, Islamic Finance development indicator and many others. She has worked in developing other market initiatives such as creating market indices including ICD Thomson Reuters Islamic Finance Development Indicator (IFDI) and The Global Islamic Economy Indicator (GIEI). Previously, she worked within fixed income portfolio management of both conventional bonds and Sukuk for one of the largest banks in Bahrain. Shaima holds a bachelors degree of Business Administration with a concentration in Accounting & Finance from American University of Sharjah.

ALIA KHAN

Alia Khan Founder and Chairwoman of Islamic Fashion and Design Council (IFDC), an organization based in Dubai established for the development of the Islamic fashion and design industry worldwide. IFDC is the world’s leading fashion and design (art, architecture, interiors, etc.) council representing the Islamic economy and its stakeholders. In 2005, Alia was brought on the organizing team for the Arab and World Media Conference in Dubai, which expanded her exposure to the region. She eventually went on to further her Islamic studies in Jordan. She is a recognized industry expert and speaker at top business forums, conferences, and events including World Islamic Economic Forum, Turin Islamic Economic Forum, Bosphorus Summit, Dubai Shopping Festival, MOCAfellows, International Textile Fair, Dubai government’s Halal Seminar, French Fashion Institute Esmod, Global Islamic Economy Summit, Jakarta Fashion Week.

MASSIMO LAPUCCI

Massimo Lapucci Secretary General Fondazione CRT, a foundation of banking origin based in Turin with participations in companies such as Unicredit Bank, Mediobanca, Atlanta SpA, and Generali SpA. He is also Secretary General of Fondazione Sviluppo e Crescita-CRT, primarily focused on venture philanthropy and impact investing. Massimo is also Managing Director at OGR, currently one of the major projects in Europe for venture philanthropy, whose mission is the conversion of a former large industrial area in a business accelerator and an innovative and experimental center for contemporary culture. He has an extensive international experience as board member of public and private companies such as Atlanta SpA, the Italian railways RFI SpA, and Generali Bank, and non-profit organizations including the European Foundation Center and the European Venture Philanthropy Association, both based in Brussels. Massimo was previously Investment Director for Sintonia S.A. a holding company based in Luxembourg focused on infrastructure assets.
Valeria Lazzaroli Chief Executive Officer and Managing Director Equi Investments SA and Fund Manager Equi Private Equity at Global Wealth Advisors Sa since 2011. She is also Managing Director at Enterprise Value Srl Business Consulting and Corporate Finance for small and medium-sized Italian enterprises. Since 2015 she is Executive Director at Fiditalia Fiduciaria Srl and Managing Director at IIE Italian Incubator of Excellency FZCO.

Keith Leach Chief Commercial Officer at Al Rayan Bank, has worked in banking for over 30 years, beginning his career at Lloyds Bank before moving to The United Bank of Kuwait (now Ahli United Bank) then ABC International Bank before his move to Al Rayan Bank last year. Keith started work in Islamic finance in the mid 1990’s starting the first Shariah compliant home finance programme designed for the UK Muslim community. This led him to become a founding member of the UK Government’s working party established to help the UK provide Islamic financial services on a level playing field with the conventional banking sector. Keith’s involvement led to changes to the way Stamp Duty was levied for Shariah compliant transactions in the UK. Since this time Keith launched the Alburaq Shariah Compliant mortgage while at ABC as well as an innovative savings product which linked returns to a basket of Shariah compliant shares. More lately he has specialised in commercial property finance, funding a number of high value property purchases in the UK for investors from the Middle East region.

Michela Lenta Coordinator Central Europe Projects for Slow Food Foundation. She joined Slow Food Foundation in 2007 coordinating projects in Africa (Morocco, Egypt, Tunisia, Mali, Mauritania, Ethiopia, Uganda, Kenya and South Africa). Born in 1985, she studied Languages and Cultures at the University of Turin.

Giovanni Luppi Partner of R&P Legal law firm, where he works as Head of the Financial Law Department. He specializes in advising banks and firms in relation to financing, issues and public offerings of debt and capital financial instruments, quotation procedures, securitisation and structured finance.
SPEAKERS

MAURO MARZOCCHI

Mauro Marzocchi Secretary General of Italian Industry Commerce Office in the UAE since 2004, the Association of entrepreneurs, recognized by the Ministry of Economic Development as “Italian Chamber of Commerce in the UAE” in 2009. He started his career in November 1976, as an official of the CNA, National Confederation of Craft, Piemonte’s small and medium enterprises. In 1999 on behalf of CNA Turin, founded the project “Italy in Emirates, Sharjah, United Arab Emirates” with the aim of facilitating the introduction of small Piedmont’s enterprises first and then the Italian’s one to explore and establish in Dubai’s market. He designed and organised “Italian Life Style”, the first Italian fair in the UAE and Gulf countries from 2004 to 2006. In February 2015 was appointed Director of the University Master GES, of the University Ca’ Foscari of Venice. Academic degree: Laurea Honoris Causa in Sociology from Private University in Switzerland May 2015 for contributing, for thirty years, to develop the relations between Italy and the United Arab Emirates. Since 2000 he is resident in Dubai.

LICIA MATTIOLI

Licia Mattioli President of the Industrial Confederation of Turin (Unione Industriale), CEO of Mattioli Gioielli SpA, Vice President Confindustria Technical Committee for Internationalization and Foreign Investors, President of Confindustria - Federorafi, President of the Italian Women Jewellery Association, Member of the Executive and Council of the Turin Chamber of Commerce, Councillor of the Board of S.I.A.S. SpA and Councillor FIAMP - Italian Federation of Fashion and Personal Accessories.

GIUSEPPE MIROGLIO

Giuseppe Miroglio Chairman Miroglio S.p.A., he has been CEO of Miroglio S.p.A. from December 2006 until July 2013. He is Miroglio Textile S.r.l. Chairman and Miroglio Fashion S.r.l. Deputy Chairman. He joined the Company in 1997, he moved to London where he lead the Miroglio Fashion UK office and in 1999 he started working on Elena Mirò brand, one of the most important brands of the company, in order to develop the retail project. In 2003 he became the Managing Director of Miroglio Fashion, focusing his attention on the brands strategy. He is currently member of the Board of Directors of Euratex. He is also member of the Advisory Board at the Italian multi-utilities company Egea, member of the Board of Directors of RCR Cristalleria Italiana S.p.A. and member of the Board of Directors of HFarm S.p.A. Born in Turin in 1972, he holds an academic degree in Economics from Cattolica University of Milan.
SPEAKERS

GIANMARCO MONTANARI

Gianmarco Montanari Managing Director of the City of Turin, in 2014 he organized the TIEF - Turin Islamic Economic Forum - the first international meeting sponsored by a local institution in Europe to explore the themes of economics and Islamic finance. Previously, he worked as CFO in a Swiss multinational firm in the automotive industry, partner in management consulting, General Manager in Unicredit Bank and Managing Director Equitalia. He holds an academic degree in Engineering Management from Polytechnic University of Turin and other four academic degrees in Management, Economy, Political Science and Law together with various specialisations in Management from prestigious business schools (Columbia, Insead, IMD). Author of the book “The Samsung Way” about the success of Samsung Corporation and a growing country like South Korea in parallel with the industrial history of Italy from reconstruction period to the present. He is also Board Member of Gruppo Torinese Trasporti (Public Transport Agency of the Metropolitan City of Turin) and Agenzia delle Entrate (Italian Revenue Agency), member of the Steering Committee of the Italian Digital Agency and member of the Steering Committee of the College of Engineering Management at Polytechnic University of Turin.

IBTIHAJ INAS MUHAMMAD

Ibtihaj Inas Muhammad Founder and CEO of “Louella by Ibtihaj Muhammad”, a Los Angeles-based clothing brand committed to delivering a fresh vibrant look to the modest fashion industry, she is also a member of the United States Fencing National Team. She is the first Muslim woman to represent the United States in international competition. She is currently ranked number 2 in the United States and number 10 in the world. Muhammad’s career highlights include 2014 World Champion and Sports Ambassador for the U.S. Department of State. She hopes to become the first Muslim woman in hijab to represent the United States in the Olympics.

CHRISTIAN PASELLO

Christian Pasello Global Visual Merchandiser of Roberto Cavalli (Milano) for Middle East, Italy, Europe, Russia since 2008, he previously held the same position at Calvin Klein, CK Jeans, Versace Sport, Reporter, Anglomania, Tombolini. After an artistic educational background he specialised in Advertising and Graphic Design.

FRANCESCO PROFUMO

Francesco Profumo Professor of Electrical Machines at the Polytechnic University of Turin, former Dean of Engineering at the Polytechnic University of Turin, former Rector of the Polytechnic Turin, former President of the National Research Council, former Minister of Education, University and Research, Chairman of Iren SpA, Chairman of the Fondazione Bruno Kessler (Trento), President of the Business School ESCP - Campus of Turin, President of Collège des Ingénieurs - Campus of Turin, Chairman of Inwit SpA. He holds an academic Degree in Electrical Engineer from Polytechnic University of Turin.
Maha Radwan PhD Candidate in Business and Management at the University of Turin, Italy. She obtained her Master Degree from the School of Management & Economics, University of Turin with highest honours. She collaborates in the Financial Management and the Islamic Finance courses & acted as a researcher in the European Research Centre for Islamic Finance (ERCIF) and the European Journal of Islamic Finance (EJIF) at the University of Turin. She has two published researches in Islamic finance. She worked as an economic researcher at the Egyptian Ministry of Economics and previously had a diversified professional experience in two multinationals.

Rita Rizzi Technical Director of RF Cosmetics Ltd., advanced laboratory in the research and development of new formulations, with production plant. She holds an academic degree in R & D of dermatological products from Bologna Pharmacy University. From 1999 to 2002 she wrote four university publications in the Department of Chemistry, National Institute for Materials Physics, University of Rome “La Sapienza”. She wrote many press articles on Farvima news, Cosmetic News And Cosmetika. Rapporteur at many congress that deal with beauty matter. Skincare expert, she has carried out work as a consultant in the field of research and development notes for Italian and foreign companies by offering its experience in the most different areas of Dermocosmesis, both in terms of textures, ingredients and innovative performance. Technical Director of several companies that cover a leadership role in the industry.

Mehmet Sahin Founder and CEO of the Hasema Textile Company in 1987 (initially, “hisan”), based in Istanbul, Turkey. The company produced the first alternative swimming suits for men and women acquiring media and academic attention nationally and internationally. In 2004, the company became the first company in Turkey to produce alternative sport wear, the hesofman. Today Hasema has the largest product range in conservative sport wear both recreational and professional in Turkey and Europe. He has served as a board member at MUSIAD’s Textile and Leather Industry Sector Council. Currently, he is the Chairman of “Textile Sector Council” of MUSIAD. He holds a Law degree and practiced media and publications law. He published “Law and Actuality” a national journal (1988-92). He has also directed and founded various environmental organizations and continues to strive to educate the Turkish youth on environmental issues.

Egle Sebaste Only daughter of Dario and Elide Sebaste, in 1980 joined the family business activity established by Giuseppe Sebaste in the production of nougat and sweet truffles: she represents the 4th generation in the management of the family activity established by her great-grandfather Giuseppe to whom her grandfather Oscar and her father Dario have succeeded. She has been member of the Confindustria (Industrial Confederation) Cuneo Council from 2007 to 2014. Since 2014 she is Representative for Technological Innovation for Confindustria Cuneo and Councilor of Cuneo Commerce Chamber board directors.
Mohammad Shakatreh PhD Candidate, Business and Management, Department of Management, University of Turin. He has a Bachelor and Master degree in accounting, from Yarmouk University, Irbid, Jordan. Shakatreh has published a paper about “Using Islamic Finance for Infrastructure projects in non-Muslim Countries”, and he is doing further research about Islamic finance and Ethical accounting, and he is a researcher in European Research Centre for Islamic Finance, and he is an assistant in the European Journal of Islamic Finance (EJIF). He has got a six years working experience in the Development & Employment Fund in Jordan, a government organization that takes care of developing and financing small and medium enterprise by using Islamic finance. He worked as Credit Officer and also as Loan and General accountant.

Annamaria Aisha Tiozzo President of WHAD-World Halal Development—the Italian halal certification center operating in the food, livestock, cosmetics, pharmaceuticals, tourism and finance sectors. Consultant on Islamic Marketing (from creation to distribution of products and services that have to be sold to Middle Eastern markets or clients) for government agencies, trade associations, companies and retail chains, she has lectured as well in national and international universities on Islamic marketing, Islamic finance, and their impacts on international trade. Vice President of Confassociazioni International (Confederation of Association) with empowerment to Arab Countries, she was also president from 1998 to 2006 of ATS legal based at Ferrara University Faculty of Law. Cosmoprof 2016 has mandated Annamaria to organise the first worldwide pavilion dedicated to Halal cosmetics and Muslim friendly SPA.

Sevket Can Tulumen Vice-President of MUSIAD Businessman Association and Istanbul Chamber of Commerce (Auditing Board Member). He is also international advisory board member of WIEF Foundation (World Islamic Economic Forum, Malaysia). He is appointed as advisory member to Alkhair Bank Islamic Capital, Saudi Arabia. He started his business life with his family owned company Tulka Construction Ltd. in Istanbul. He worked on many construction and building projects in Turkey. He also owns Tulpa Marketing and Trade Ltd. Company which is also located in Istanbul. He finished Bosphorus University, Istanbul with B.S. in Civil Engineering. Afterwards, he graduated from Case Western Reserve University, Ohio, USA, with M.S. in Civil Engineering.

Cristina Tumiatti President of the Young Entrepreneurs - Industrial Confederation of Turin (Unione Industriale) since 2013, Sales and Marketing Chief for the entire Sea Marconi Group, she holds a Business Administration degree and a Master in Business Administration.
KERIM TURE

Kerim Ture Founder Modanisa.com in 2011, entrepreneur & angel investor. Modanisa attracts 6M visitors per month and works with more than 300 brands, designers and serves to 57 countries. According to Thompson Reuters and Dinar Standard’s 2015 Report, Modanisa.com is the most popular Muslim fashion e-commerce site in the world. Kerim has a lifelong passion for entrepreneurship, trade, meeting different cultures and improving society by empowering women and entrepreneurs. He serves on the Board of Directors of Etohum - the leading startup accelerator in Istanbul - and Youth Republic - an award winning advertising agency in Turkey. He holds a Master’s degree in Communications from the Boston University.

GIAN LUCA VERCELLI

Gian Luca Vercelli Chief Executive Officer Gruppo Vercelli SpA. Since he joined the Gruppo Vercelli set the corporate vision and mission on driving strategic business growth through the expansion of innovative products in the veal and beef industry. Gian Luca leads Gruppo Vercelli to be a company with a conscience, focused on feeding the world great, affordable beef and veal, while also making a positive difference in people’s lives. He graduated from the University of Turin in 1990 with a bachelor’s in Business Administration.

MARCO VICENTINI

Marco Vicentini Chief Executive Officier GV Filtri Industriali Srl (Torino) design and manufacture of industrial filters. Born in 1987, he started his business experience when he was very young founding the Emmevi Renovatio, e-commerce of hardware and software design and sale. He is also President of Young entrepreneurs CNA - National Confederation of Artisans - Turin.
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