Proposed Members of the Internal Sharia Supervision Board (Subject to Higher Sharia Authority Approval)

Mian Muhammad Nazir
Chairman

Academic Background:

Mian Nazir holds a Master degree in Commercial Law from the University of Cambridge, United Kingdom and LL.B (Hons) Sharia and Law (with distinction) from International Islamic University, Pakistan and B.A Social Sciences and Islamic Jurisprudence from International Islamic University, Pakistan. In addition to his qualifications, he has received intensive training in international financial laws including securitization, swaps and derivatives.

Biography:

Nazir is an accomplished and prominent Sharia expert/lawyer in the field of Islamic banking and finance. He specializes in retail, corporate, syndications, project finance, Sukuk, securitizations, Islamic investment funds, Islamic trusts, swaps and derivatives, insurance and Islamic finance legislation and regulations. He has played a leading role in providing technical support to Islamic banking and finance industry through innovation in product development. Nazir currently serves as Chief Executive Officer at Dar Al Sharia, United Arab Emirates.

Prof. Dr. Mohamad Akram Laldin
Board Member

Academic Background:

Dr. Akram holds a B.A. Honours degree in Islamic Jurisprudence and Legislation from the University of Jordan, Amman, Jordan and a Ph.D. in Principles of Islamic Jurisprudence (Usul al-Fiqh) from the University of Edinburgh, Scotland, United Kingdom. He has presented many papers related to Islamic Banking and Finance and other Fiqh topics at national and International level and has conducted many training sessions particularly on Islamic Banking and Finance for different sectors since 1999.

Biography:

Prof. Dr. Mohamad Akram Laldin is currently the Executive Director of International Sharia Research Academy for Islamic finance, Prior to joining ISRA he was an Assistant Professor at the College of Islamic Revealed Knowledge and Human Sciences, International Islamic University, Malaysia (IIUM). At present, he is the Member of many Shari'ah Advisory Councils in Malaysia. In addition, he is a Committee member of AAOIFI Shari'ah Standards, Bahrain and other Boards locally and internationally. He is a prolific author of academic works specifically in the areas of Islamic Banking and Finance. He is the recipient of Zaki Badawi Award 2010 for Excellence in Shariah Advisory and Research. He has participated and presented papers in numerous local and international conferences.

Ms. Sara Hassan Al Hammadi
Board Member

Ms. Sara Hassan Al Hammadi is a UAE National Sharia Scholar. She holds Master's Degree in Sharia and Islamic Studies from University of Sharjah specializing in Fiqh.

Biography

Ms. Sara is currently working as a Sharia Auditor in Mawarid Finance Company, handling the periodic Sharia audit of the Company, ensuring their compliance and ensure the adequacy of actions taken to comply with the Islamic Shari'ah. Prior to joining Mawarid, she was a Senior Researcher in the field of Islamic affairs. She has given valuable contribution towards Charitable Activities department of Dubai Government, having extensively involved in a Sharia Advisory role to the Department.