



NEW HORIZONS:

Islamic Economy in Global Markets, Beyond Majority-Muslim Societies



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18th - 19th November, 2025

POST EVENT REPORT 2025

INTRODUCTION

The 4th AlBaraka Summit in London, held in 2025 under the theme “New Horizons: Islamic Economy in Global Markets, Beyond Majority-Muslim Societies,” marked a significant milestone in advancing the global discourse on Islamic economics. Building on the success of previous editions, the summit further solidified its position as a leading platform for exploring innovative pathways for the Islamic economy beyond traditional markets.

This edition was convened in collaboration with a distinguished group of partners. The Islamic Chamber of Commerce and Development served as the Strategic Partner, while AlBaraka Group B.S.C. (C) participated as the Global Partner. The summit was proudly supported by Libyan Foreign Bank — together with its subsidiaries Aresbank (Spain), BACB (UK), and Banca UBAE (Italy) — as the Platinum Sponsor.

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With participation exceeding 700 attendees from more than 45 countries, the summit brought together an influential audience of policymakers, financial leaders, industry experts, academics, and business executives. The event provided a dynamic platform for insightful discussions, strategic networking, and cross-border collaboration, highlighting the growing relevance and expansion of the Islamic economy in global markets.

Through its diverse sessions and high-level engagement, the summit underscored its continued commitment to shaping new horizons for Islamic finance and strengthening its integration within the global economic landscape.



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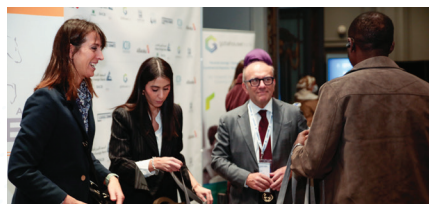
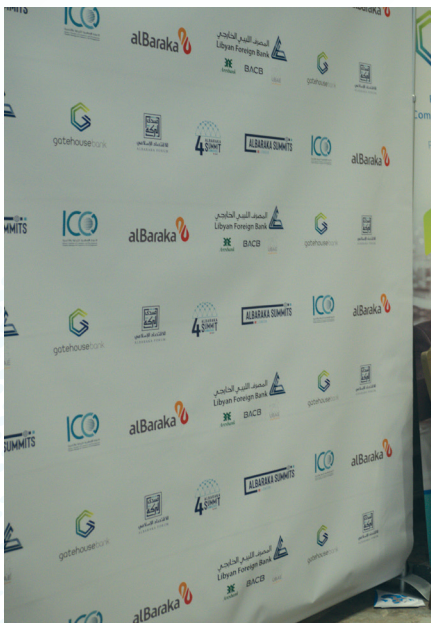
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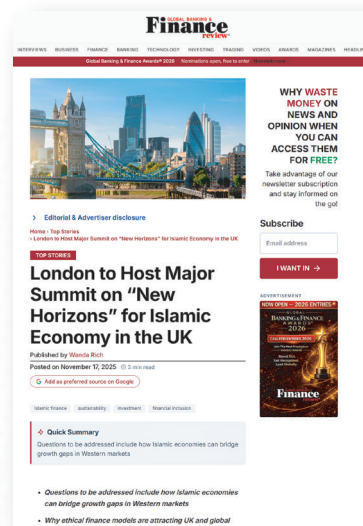
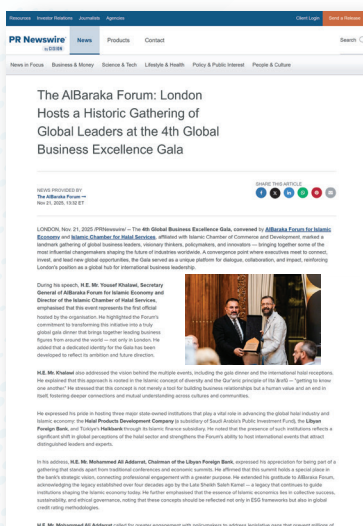
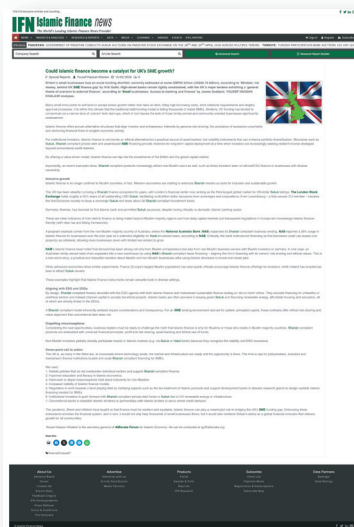
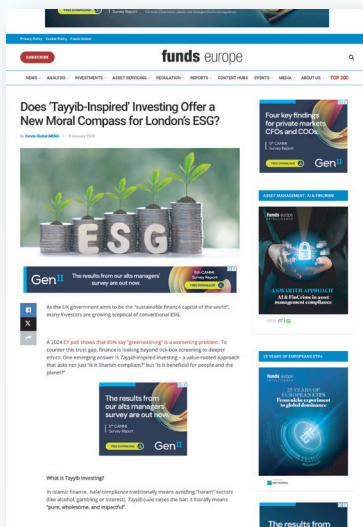
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+170

Total Posts

+1.6 M

Impressions

+253 K

Engagement



+170

Total Posts

+471 K

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STRATEGIC COMMUNICATIONS AND EVIDENCE-LED MEDIA INFLUENCE STUDY

As part of its strategic communications vision, AlBaraka Forum adopted an integrated, research-led approach to the 4th AlBaraka Summit in London through a dedicated study conducted with UK business leaders and decision-makers, positioning data and insight at the core of its global media narrative and reinforcing its commitment to evidence-based engagement in advancing dialogue on the Islamic economy across non-Muslim and advanced markets. The research delivered valuable market intelligence,

revealing a clear shift toward ethical and alternative financial models, while highlighting a structural gap between awareness and practical adoption, driven by regulatory complexity, limited understanding, and prevailing market perceptions, ultimately serving as a strategic communications tool to shape evidence-based messaging, generate high-impact media narratives, and strengthen the Forum's position as a leading global platform for thought leadership and informed economic dialogue.



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RESEARCH-LED STRATEGIC COMMUNICATIONS

UK BUSINESS LEADERS' ATTITUDES TOWARD ISLAMIC ECONOMIC MODELS

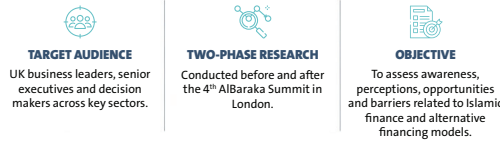
HOW ALBARAKA FORUM LEVERAGED RESEARCH TO SHAPE DIALOGUE AND STRENGTHEN GLOBAL MEDIA INFLUENCE



OUR RESEARCH JOURNEY



RESEARCH SCOPE & METHODOLOGY



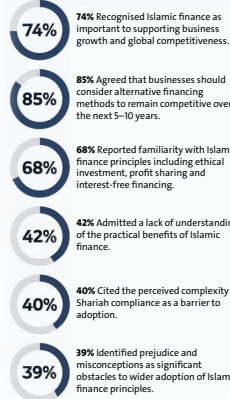
STRATEGIC INSIGHT

Awareness exists. The opportunity lies in improving understanding, addressing misconceptions and demonstrating tangible economic value.

KEY FINDINGS

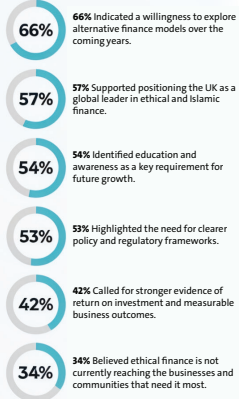
PHASE ONE PRE-SUMMIT RESEARCH

SAMPLE SIZE 250 UK business leaders, senior executives and decision makers.



PHASE TWO POST-SUMMIT RESEARCH

SAMPLE SIZE 1,000 UK business managers and decision makers across key sectors.



STRATEGIC INSIGHT

The conversation is evolving from awareness to implementation. Future growth depends on education, supportive regulation, accessibility and the ability to demonstrate real business impact.

STRATEGIC IMPACT & COMMUNICATION OUTCOME

AlBaraka Forum transformed research into a strategic communications asset, turning insight into influence and data into meaningful dialogue on a global scale.



STRATEGIC MEDIA NARRATIVE THEMES



Overall Outlook

By integrating research, communications and thought leadership within a unified framework, AlBaraka Forum continues to strengthen its position as a leading global platform for knowledge exchange, informed economic dialogue and thought leadership in the Islamic economy.

LEADERSHIP SCENE INTERVIEWS



Ms. Ghada Khalafallah

Communication and Media Manager
General Secretariat Office – AlBaraka Forum
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H.E. Dr. Alderman Vincent CBE

Former Lord Mayor of the City of London and
Senior Advisor at DLA Piper



H.E. Mr. Ahmet Burak Dağlıoğlu

President of the Presidency of the Republic of
Türkiye Investment and Finance Office



Dr. Lalua Rahsiad

Managing Partner, Welbeck and Bradwell Asia



H.E. Mr. Hamza K. Bawazir

Secretary General, General Council for Islamic
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Lord Dominic Johnson

Member of the UK House of Lords,
Former Investment Minister and Former
Co-Chairman of the Conservative Party



H.E. Mr. Mohammed Ali Addarrat

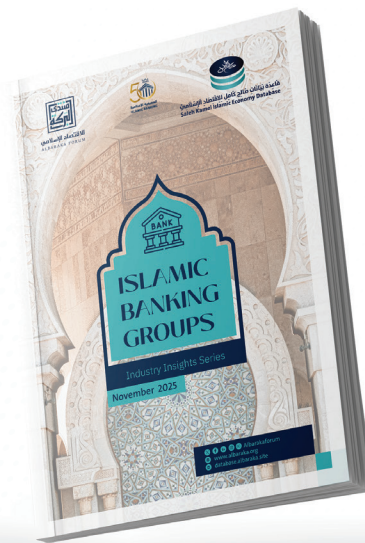
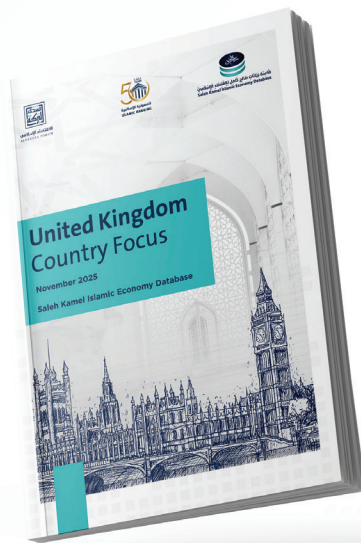
Chairman of the Management Committee of
Libyan Foreign Bank

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SPOTLIGHT ON

THE SALEH KAMEL ISLAMIC ECONOMY DATABASE PUBLICATIONS

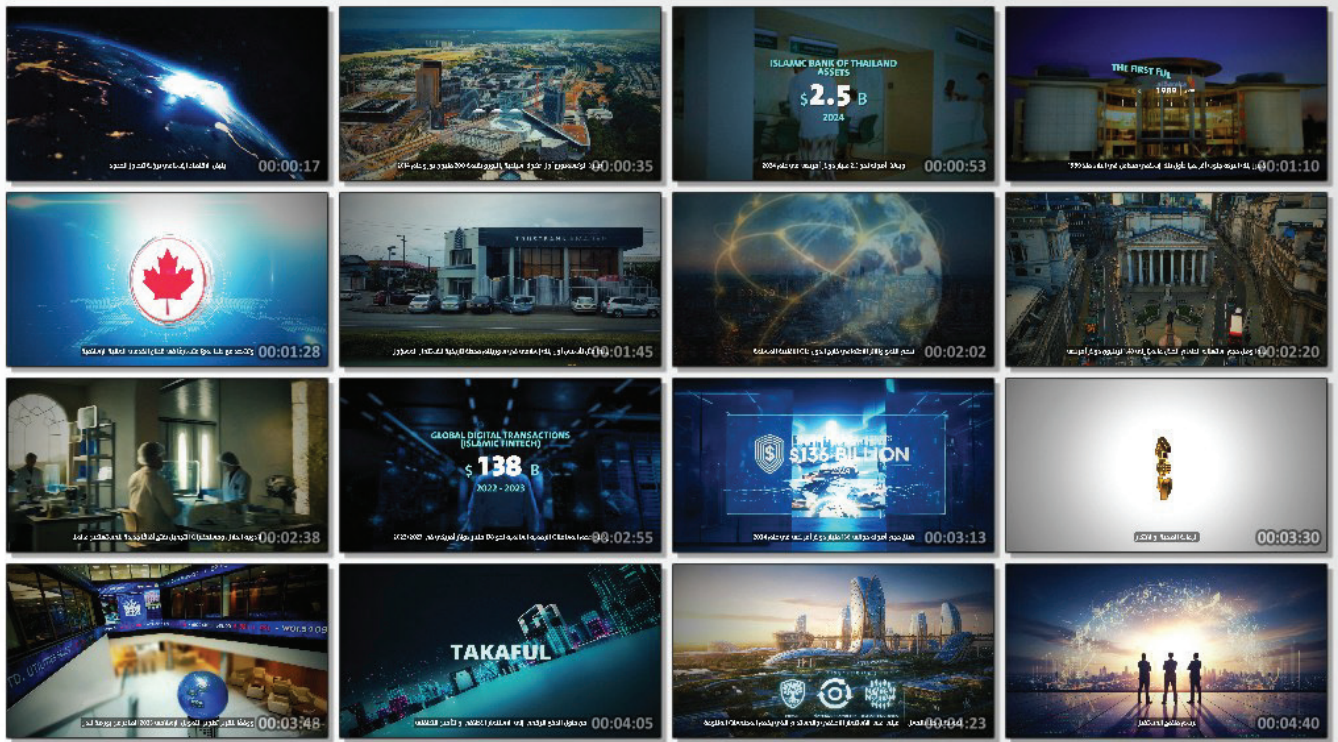


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► **Watch** the opening film of the 4th AlBaraka Summit in London

“Sustainable Futures: Islamic Economy...Global Impact”



The film highlights how Islamic Economy has evolved into a global force driving sustainable growth, ethical investment, and financial innovation across continents, shaping a more inclusive and sustainable future for communities worldwide.

SUMMIT PROGRAM

DAY 1

Tuesday, November 18th, 2025

(09:30 AM - 05:00 PM)

(BallRoom - JW Marriott)

OPENING CEREMONY



Ms. Efnan Han

Master of Ceremonies and International
News Anchor, TRT World



H.E. Mr. Faraz Khan MBE

Co-founder & Partner, Spectreco



H.E. Mr. Yousef Khalawi

Secretary General,
AlBaraka Forum for Islamic Economy



Lord Dominic Johnson

Member of the UK House of Lords,
Former Investment Minister and Former
Co-Chairman of the Conservative Party

FIRST THEMATIC PANEL (CENTRAL-BANK LEVEL)

Strategic Foresight for the Islamic Economy in Non-Muslim Countries: Political Recognition, Legal Empowerment, and Institutional Integration



H.E. Dr. Vincent Keaveny CBE

Former Lord Mayor of the City of London
Senior Advisor, DLA Piper



Dr. Abdurrahman Abdullahi

Deputy Director and Head, Non-Interest Banking,
Financial Policy and Regulation Department
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Senior Assistant Governor, Financial
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Bank of the Philippines



H.E. Mr. Hamza K. Bawazir

Secretary General, General Council for
Islamic Banks and Financial Institutions

SECOND THEMATIC PANEL (ISLAMIC BANKING CEO LEVEL)

Islamic Banking in Global Markets and Environments: Between Aspirations and Operational Realities



Dr. Muhammad Saeed Fadloun

Head of Shari'ah Compliance,
AlRayan Bank



H.E. Mr. Charles Haresnape

Chief Executive Officer,
Gatehouse Bank plc



H.E. Mr. Shabir Chohan

Chief Executive Officer,
Albaraka Bank South Africa



H.E. Dr. Thaweelep Rittapirom

Director and President,
Islamic Bank of Thailand

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THIRD THEMATIC PANEL

Islamic Investment Solutions within the Global Economic System: Toward Greater Availability and Asset Diversity



Prof. Sarah A. Tobin
Professor at Chr. Michelsen Institute -
Bergen, Norway



Mohammad Shoaib Memon
Chief Operating Officer,
Europe Arab Bank plc



Mr. Irshad Mahmood
General Partner and Islamic Finance Leader for the
Deloitte network and the Audit and Assurance
Business Leader for Deloitte Bahrain



Mr. Anouar Adham, CFA
Chief Executive Officer, Elite Capital
and Management Services



Ms. Nesrine Hadjadj
Account Manager,
for a Swiss Private Bank

FOURTH THEMATIC PANEL

Empowering Entrepreneurship from Islamic Economy Perspective: Innovation, Ethics, and Global Market Access



Dr. Wael Eldesouki Bedda
Secretary General, Saleh Kamel
Sustainable Entrepreneurship and
Enterprise Development



Dr. Asma Ounnas
Co-founder and Chief Strategy Officer,
The Arab Entrepreneurs Board



Dr. Ayman El Tarabishy
President, International Council for Small Business,
The George Washington University



Dr. Lalua Rahsiad
Managing Partner,
Welbeck and Bradwell Asia



Dr. Sherine Helmy
Chairman, Pharco Pharmaceuticals



SUMMIT PROGRAM

DAY 2

Wednesday, November 19th, 2025

(09:30 AM - 04:15 PM)

(BallRoom - JW Marriott)

KEYNOTE SPEECH



H.E. Mr. Ahmet Dağlıoğlu
 President, Investment and Finance Office of the
 Presidency of the Republic of Türkiye

FIFTH THEMATIC PANEL

Chambers of Commerce as Engines of Economic Acceleration and Business Networking



Ms. Aalia Jafar
 Director, International Relations
 The Islamic Chamber of Commerce and
 Development (ICCD)



Mr. Marut Mekloy
 President of Thai Muslim
 Trade Association



Mr. Shabir Chohan
 Chief Executive Officer, AlBaraka Bank South Africa
 Board Member of Minara Chamber
 of Commerce - South Africa



Mr. Ghulam Abdur Razzaq
 Chairperson of the Federation of Islamic
 Associations of New Zealand Advocacy



Mr. Turgay Deniz
 President of the
 Turkish Cypriot Chamber of Commerce

WORKSHOP



Islamic Screening and ESG Metrics: Building the Next Generation of Investment Indexes



H.E. Mr. Faraz Khan MBE
 Co-founder & Partner, Spectreco

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INSIGHTFUL ADDRESS



ORGANISATION OF ISLAMIC COOPERATION
ARBITRATION CENTRE

Arbitration Role in Empowering Islamic Finance in Muslim Minority Communities



H.E. Dr. Umar Oseni

Secretary General, The Organization of Islamic
Cooperation Arbitration Centre

SPECIAL SESSION

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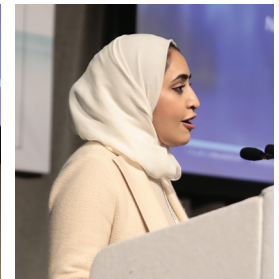
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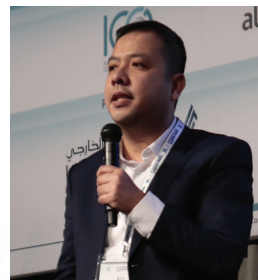
Ms. Noora Al-Suwaidi



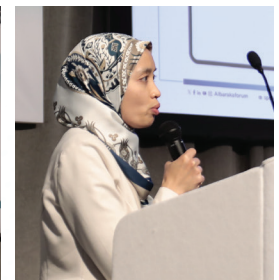
Ms. Astrid Harningtyas



Mr. Muhammad Zulkifly



Mr. Muhammad Muslim



Ms. Norhidayah Binti Jamilan

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مركز التفكير الاستراتيجي
للإقتصاد الإسلامي
Strategic Thinking Center
for Islamic Economy



The Economic Landscape of Muslims: Realities and Transformations



Dr. Eman Shady

Executive Secretary at the Strategic Thinking
Center for Islamic Economy

KEYNOTE SPEECH



Ms. Aalia Jafar

Director, International Relations
The Islamic Chamber of Commerce and
Development (ICCD)





4TH GLOBAL BUSINESS EXCELLENCE GALA • LONDON 2025 •

The 4th Global Business Excellence Gala convened by AlBaraka Forum for Islamic Economy and Islamic Chamber for Halal Services affiliated with Islamic Chamber of Commerce and Development, marked a landmark gathering of global business leaders, visionary thinkers, policymakers, and innovators — bringing together some of the

most influential changemakers shaping the future of industries worldwide. A convergence point where executives meet to connect, invest, and lead new global opportunities, the Gala served as a unique platform for dialogue, collaboration, and impact, reinforcing London's position as a global hub for international business leadership.



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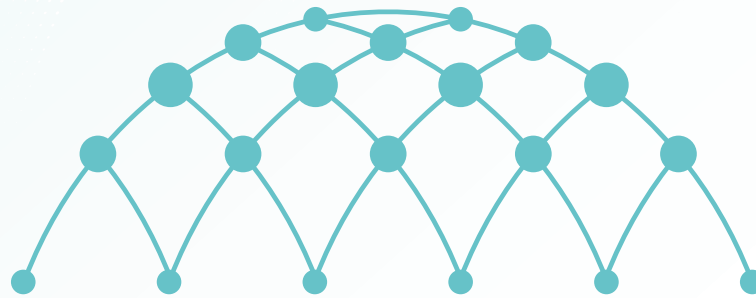
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