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# AGENDA

<b>09.00 – 09.30</b>	<b>Welcome Remarks and Introduction of Motion:</b> <b>A Rebranding is the Catalyst for Creating Mass Appeal for Shariah Compliant Investments in Europe</b>
<b>09.30 – 09.45</b>	<b>Keynote Address</b> <b>Pierre Gramegna</b> — <i>Minister of Finance, Grand Duchy of Luxembourg</i>
<b>09.45 – 10.45</b>	<b>Europe 2016: A Review of Markets on the Rise</b> Key industry players representing developing Islamic finance markets provide an update on what significant progress has taken place in their respective jurisdictions and how these markets are being affected by geopolitics and economic conditions. What is the outlook for Sukuk issuances, establishment of Islamic banks and windows and alternative lending/investment platforms in these markets? Is the much discussed rebranding of Islamic finance a necessity for further industry growth? <b>Moderator:</b> <b>Stella Cox</b> — <i>Managing Director, DDCap, the UK</i> <b>Panelists:</b> <b>Dr Johannes Engels</b> — <i>Senior Advisor, Federal Financial Supervisory Authority, Germany (BaFin)</i> <b>Khairul Nizam</b> — <i>COO, Finance Accreditation Agency</i> <b>Robert Scharfe</b> — <i>CEO, Luxembourg Stock Exchange</i> <b>Stefano Padovani</b> — <i>Partner, NCTM Studio, Italy</i> <b>Ugurlu Soyly</b> — <i>Former Managing Director, Germany, Kuveyt Turk Bank, Consultant, Soyly Consulting</i>
<b>10.45 – 11.15</b>	<b>Coffee &amp; Networking</b>
<b>11.15 – 12.00</b>	<b>What's Next for Shariah Compliant Funds in Europe?</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Where is the funds industry headed in light of contracting emerging markets, plunging oil prices and general market volatility?</li> <li>• Where are investors putting their money and where are funds from MENA and Asia flowing to?</li> <li>• Where are European Shariah compliant funds being distributed?</li> <li>• Funds distribution: How will Europe benefit from the implementation of the ASEAN-CIS, ARFP and China-MRF?</li> <li>• New structures in real estate and private equity transactions</li> </ul> <b>Moderator:</b> <b>Kamal Ikherrazen</b> — <i>Advisor, Eethiq Advisors, Luxembourg</i> <b>Panelists:</b> <b>Annemarie Arens</b> — <i>General Manager, LUXFlag</i> <b>Ashraf Ammar</b> — <i>Director, PwC Luxembourg</i> <b>Florence Stainier</b> — <i>Partner, Arendt &amp; Medernach, Luxembourg</i> <b>Magdy Eissa</b> — <i>Vice-President, IdealRatings</i>
<b>12:00 - 12:45</b>	<b>Capital-Raising and Securitization: What is Driving Europe's Lending Market?</b> A discussion on structures, regulations, recent innovation and risks <b>Moderator:</b> <b>Paul Peporte</b> — <i>Counsel, Allen &amp; Overy, Luxembourg</i> <b>Panelists:</b> <b>Anouar Hasoune</b> — <i>Managing Director, Euris Group</i> <b>Alex Armstrong</b> — <i>Managing Director, Head of Financial Institutions and Structured Finance, QInvest, Qatar</i> <b>Farmida Bi</b> — <i>Partner and Head of Islamic Finance – Europe, Norton Rose Fulbright</i> <b>Mark Smyth</b> — <i>Chief Investment Officer, Tawreeq Holdings, the UAE</i>



## MOTION:

A Rebranding is the Catalyst for Creating Mass Appeal for Shariah Compliant Investments in Europe

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<b>12:45 - 13:45</b>	<b>Networking Luncheon</b>
<b>13:45 - 14:05</b>	<b>Presentation: Bringing Innovation and Technology to Islamic Finance</b> <b>Rachid Ouaich</b> — <i>Founder and Managing Director, Eethiq Advisors, Luxembourg</i>
<b>14:05 - 14:50</b>	<b>Riding the Fintech Wave: Are Alternative Funding Platforms Continuing to Grow Sustainably?</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What is driving the continued growth of these platforms?</li> <li>• What Shariah principles are companies like Beehive, Blossom Finance and Club Ethis basing their products on?</li> <li>• How will peer-based capital-raising platforms overcome investor concerns relating to exit strategies and lengthy investment periods?</li> <li>• Outlook for crowdlending for SMEs</li> <li>• Is there potential for secondary market creation?</li> <li>• What's next in the FinTech space?</li> </ul> <b>Moderator:</b> <b>Stuart Hutton</b> — <i>Chief Investment Officer, Simply Ethical, the UK</i> <b>Panelists:</b> <b>Anass Patel</b> — <i>President, 570 Asset Management, France</i> <b>Mansur Mannan</b> — <i>Director, Tejara Capital, the UK</i>
<b>14:50 - 15:50</b>	<b>The Debate: This House Believes: A Rebranding is the Catalyst for Creating Mass Appeal for Shariah Compliant Investments in Europe</b> <p>With an increasingly tense geopolitical situation playing out in Europe many have voiced a need to consider replacing 'Islamic finance' with a more culturally acceptable term such as alternative finance or SRI. Is the 'Islamic finance' brand preventing Europe's Shariah compliant funds industry from achieving its potential growth? Or are there other issues at play? Will the industry decide to take this controversial step and what will this mean for Islamic finance in Europe going forward?</p> <b>Moderator:</b> <b>Lauren McAughtry</b> — <i>Group Managing Editor, REDmoney Group</i> <b>Panelists:</b> <b>Ammar Dabbour</b> — <i>Managing Director and Founder, Euris Group</i> <b>Anouar Hassoune</b> — <i>Managing Director, Euris Group</i> <b>Lawrence Oliver</b> — <i>Deputy CEO, DDCap, the UK</i> <b>Rachid Ouaich</b> — <i>Founder and Managing Director, Eethiq Advisors, Luxembourg</i> <b>Volker Nienhaus</b> — <i>Professor, University of Bochum, Germany</i>
<b>15:50 - 16:00</b>	<b>Closing Remarks</b>
<b>16:00 - 16:30</b>	<b>Coffee &amp; Networking</b>
<b>16:30</b>	<b>End of the Forum</b>



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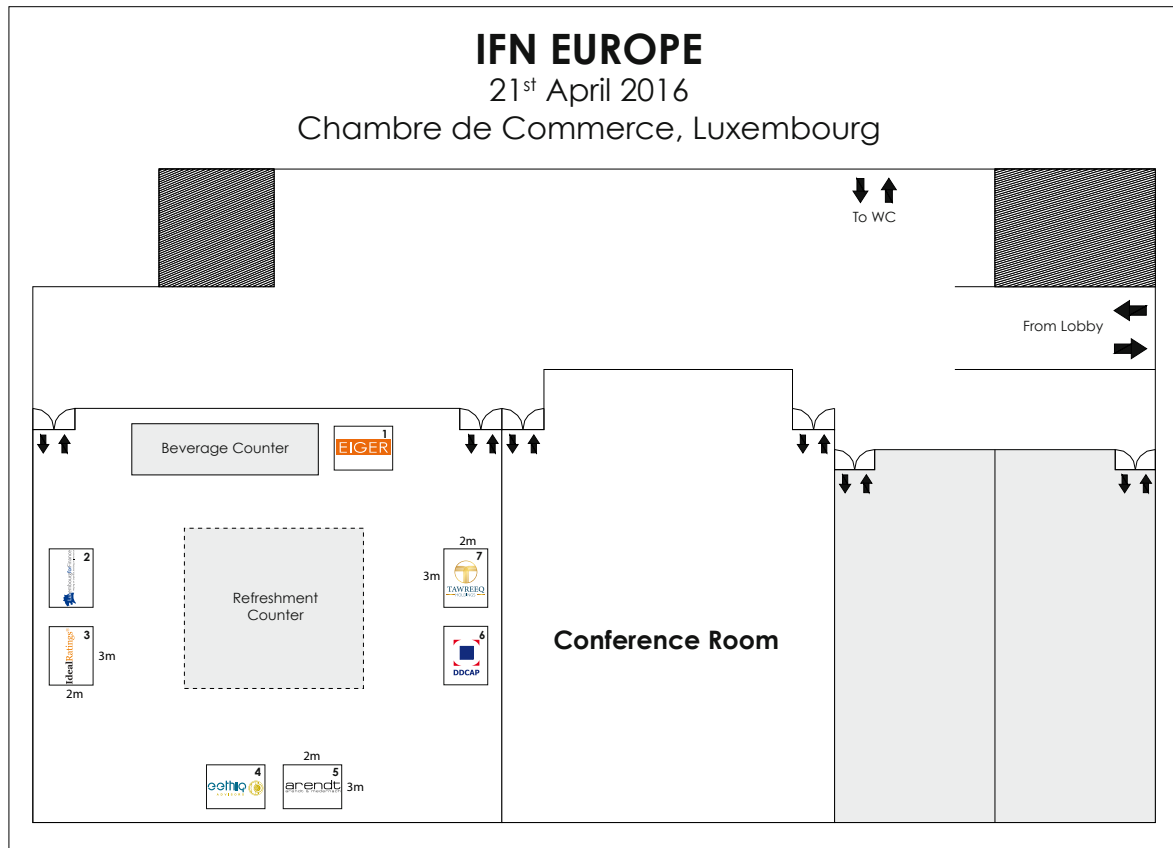
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