

Thursday 30 October
**CAPITAL, CLIMATE
AND COMMUNITY**

Ethical Finance GCC 2025 - CAPITAL, CLIMATE AND COMMUNITY

Thursday 30th October, 09:00-14:00

DIFC Conference Centre, Dubai

Amid profound macroeconomic shifts, deglobalisation, and accelerating climate risks, financial institutions stand at a pivotal crossroads rethinking the balance between values and value and the broader purpose of capital. There is a clear and urgent need to redirect **capital** flows toward innovative **climate** finance solutions while still capturing compelling commercial opportunities, financing the decarbonisation of key sectors, scaling renewable energy systems, and enabling the evolution of carbon and offset markets.

Underpinning this all, arguably the most critical challenge and opportunity during the transition is placing **community** at the forefront and ensure new economic systems values humanity and authenticity where everyone can contribute and benefit from a just inclusive sustainable transition.

Session	Time	Speakers
Registration/ Networking	0900-0930	
NAVIGATING MACRO TRENDS		
MC Welcome Words Remarks [5m]	0930-0935	• Naveen Raza, Net Zero Transition & Partnerships, HSBC MENAT
Host Welcome Address Keynote [5m]	0935-0940	• Alya Al Zarouni, Chief Operating Officer, DIFC Authority
GEFI Welcome Words Remarks [5m]	0940-0945	• Omar Shaikh, Managing Director, GEFI
Capital Climate and Community — Setting the Agenda for Ethical Finance Keynote [10m]	0945-0955	• Satya Tripathi, Secretary-General, Global Alliance for a Sustainable Planet, and former UN Assistant Secretary-General
Unlocking intra-OIC capital is our fastest route to inclusive growth. Islamic finance must move from compliance to consequence—financing productivity, climate resilience, and human dignity across our economies Keynote [10m]	0955-1005	• Iqbal Khan, Chief Executive Officer, Fajr Capital
Global Uncertainty and the GCC Narrative — Challenges and Opportunities? Panel [35m]	1005-1040	• Iqbal Khan, Chief Executive Officer, Fajr Capital • Satya Tripathi, Secretary-General, Global Alliance for a Sustainable Planet, and former UN Assistant Secretary-General • Ghiwa Nakat, Executive Director, Greenpeace MENA • Muhammed Lameen Abdul-Malik, Nobel Peace Prize Laureate (IAEA) 2005, CEO at Honest Management Consultancy, ex UN Diplomat and founder of 100 ideas café • (Moderator) Omar Shaikh, Managing Director, GEFI
Break [30m]	1040-1110	

UNLOCKING ISLAMIC SUSTAINABLE FINANCE

Islamic Finance by the Numbers Presentation [5m]	1110-1115	Tayyab Ahmed, Head of Research, Islamic Finance, LSEG Data & Analytics
Scaling Sukuk: Green, Blue and Beyond Fireside [20m]	1115-1135	- Dr. Mohamed Damak, Managing Director, Global Head of Islamic Finance, MEA, S&P Global Ratings - Marc Granville, Senior Director, Head of Education & Training, International Capital Market Association (Moderator) Omar Shaikh, Managing Director, GEFI
Banking for Sustainability: Compliance, Commitment or Commercial Opportunity? Panel [25m]	1135-1200	- Khurram Hilal, Chief Executive Officer, Standard Chartered Saadiq - Ibrahim Al Mheiri, Executive Vice President, Head of Islamic Banking, Mashreq - Jonathan Keyes, Head of Sustainable Solutions Group - Middle East, ING - Andy Homer, Chief Customer Officer, Gatehouse Bank (Moderator) Naveen Raza, Net Zero Transition & Partnerships Head, HSBC MENAT
Tayyib Fellowship Presentation [5m]	1200-1205	Tariq Al Olaimy, Islamic Finance Campaigner & Advisor, Ummah for Earth Alliance, Greenpeace MENA
Reassessing Islamic Stock Screening Fireside [20m]	1205-1225	- Dr. Moosa Khoury, Sharia Board Member, Various Committees in Islamic Banking, Islamic Insurance (Takaful) and Islamic Financial Market - Christian Gueckel, Chief Risk Officer, Head of Research, Sedco Capital (Moderator) Tariq Al Olaimy, Islamic Finance Campaigner & Advisor, Ummah for Earth Alliance, Greenpeace MENA

ACCELERATING THE GCC CLIMATE TRANSITION

Data that Matters: Decoding GCC Climate Compliance Presentation [5m]	1225-1230	Lina Abou Diab, Sustainable Debt - EMEA Team Leader, Bloomberg
From Pledges to Practice — Building Ecosystems & Mobilising Capital Panel [25m]	1230-1255	- Nadia Boumeziout, Head of Sustainability & Information Governance, Zurich Insurance - Dr Deepti Mittal, Head of Policy, Climate & Conservation, Emirates Nature-WWF - Layla El-Wafi, Senior Lawyer, ESG Advisor and ACC MENA Board Director (Moderator) Naveen Raza, Net Zero Transition & Partnerships, HSBC MENAT
10 Days to COP: From Dubai to Belem – Aspirations vs Realities Closing Keynote [10m]	1255-1305	Atif Iqbal, Head of Strategy, Emirates Islamic
MC Wrap-up [5m]	1305-1310	- Omar Shaikh, Managing Director, GEFI - Naveen Raza, Net Zero Transition & Partnerships, HSBC MENAT
Light Lunch / Networking [50m]	1310-1400	

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