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**Personal Details**

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**Education**

- 17 Moharam 1417 AH/1996: Higher Secondary/Pre-U in Islamic Studies, Islamic Education College (MATRI), Perlis, Malaysia.  
Grade: Good (60%)
- February 2002: Bachelor in Islamic Studies, Saba' University, Republic of Yemen.  
Grade: Good (74.3%)

Modules studied include: Islamic Education, Human Sciences, Special Method of Teaching and Teaching practical, Arabic Language and Literature, English Language, Al-Quran, Sciences of Quran, Tafsir, Hadeeth, Sciences of Hadeeth, History of Islamic Law, Introduction to Islamic Law, Fundamentals of Islamic Law, Principles of Jurisprudence, Islamic Jurisprudence, Judicial System, Inheritance System, Islamic System, Jurisprudence of Dakwah.

Final year dissertation: Riba' (A Study on Saba' Islamic Bank, Yemen and Bank Islam Malaysia Berhad)

- 8 November 2011: Masters with Merit in Islamic Banking, Finance and Management, University of Gloucestershire in collaboration with The Markfield Institute of Higher Education, UK.

Modules studied include: Islamic Banking: Theory and Practice, Islamic Financial Instruments, Foundations of Islamic Economics, Islamic Law, Regulations and Governance of Islamic Finance, Takaful and Re-Takaful: Principles and Operations, Organisational Behaviour, Human Resource Management and Research Methodology.

Dissertation title: Waqf and Its Role in Helping Muslim Community: Case Studies of Waqf Organisations in the UK.

### **Work Experiences**

- 2018 Appointed as a coordinator for Islamic Finance for Board of Directors Programme in collaboration with JPIT, Bank Negara Malaysia.
- 2017 Appointed as Shariah Adviser for Ethis Islamic P2P/Crowdfunding Platform under ISRA Consultancy Sdn Bhd.
- 2016 Appointed as a member of BNP Paribas (Malaysia) Group Shariah Committee.
- 2016 Appointed as a research team member of Sukuk Waqf project for Awqaf New Zealand.

- 2016 Appointed as a coordinator and presenter for Maybank's in-house Shariah training series.
- 2015 Appointed as a team member of Shariah audit for CAGAMAS annual audit project.
- 2014 Appointed as a member of project committee for Bank Rakyat International Islamic Banking Conference.
- 2014 Appointed as a coordinator and trainer for CIMB bank in-house Shariah training series.
- 2013 Appointed as a member of Malaysian Industrial Development Finance (MIDF) Board Shariah Committee.
- 2013 Appointed as a member of taskforce committee for Islamic Finance Curriculum Development under Ministry of Higher Education Malaysia (EPP7).
- January 2012 until now: Working with International Shariah Research Academy for Islamic Finance (ISRA) as a **Researcher** cum **Shariah Consultant** for ISRA Consultancy. Nature of work involves training, research, advisory, module development, consulting, coordinating and managing event, among them are listed below:
  - Involvement in five areas of research which is Islamic Banking, Islamic Capital Market, Takaful and Islamic Endowment
  - Coordinating and managing ISRA event such as:
    - International Shariah scholar forum
    - Asian Shariah scholar forum
    - International strategic roundtable discussion
    - Advance Fiqh interactive forum
    - International colloquium
    - Thematic workshop
    - Association of Shariah Advisors (ASAS) forum
    - International Shariah Scholar Forum (ISSF)
  - Involvement in ISRA welfare unit and coordinator for ISRA study circle.
  - Involvement in activities under ISRA Consultancy for research, advisory, training and translation such as:

- Manage, conduct, coordinate, facilitate and deliver training for Islamic Financial Institutions.
  - Develop and design training proposals, modules and materials.
  - Develop marketing tools and involve in service marketing.
  - Meeting and consulting with clients and built a wide networking with companies such as Central Bank, Securities Commission, Petronas, EPF, Banks, Company Commission (CCM), Halal Industry Development Corporation, Crowd Funding Company and etc.
  - Translations of reputable manuscripts, books and reading materials.
  - Conduct annual audit and review project for financial institutions such as CAGAMAS and etc.
- 2007-2011: Working as a consultant with the Islamic Youth Movement and Education for the Malaysian students in UK and Eire. Nature of work involves planning, organising, teaching and leading religious activities such as Islamic Seminars and Islamic Study Circles.
  - 2007-2009: Contribute with ISOC Loughborough University as an Imam, Khateeb and Naqib for Islamic Study Circle.
  - 2004-2006: Working as an Arabic and Islamic studies teacher at Ibnu Kathir Islamic School, Kuala Lumpur Malaysia.
  - 2002-2003: Working as an Arabic and Islamic Studies teacher at Ibnu Khaldun Islamic School at Shah Alam, Selangor, Malaysia.
  - 2001: Working for Hajj management at TM Fouzy Travel and Tours, Singapore.
  - 2000: Working with Tabung Haji as a pilgrimage guide and advisor.

### **Research and Publications**

- Ashraf Hashim, Bouheraoua, Noor Suhaida & Mazrul Shahir (2016), “Temporary and Permanent Cash Waqf Sukuk Structure”, for Awqaf New Zealand.

- Mazrul Shahir Md Zuki (2015), “Enhancing Investment Strategies in Waqf Management: Experiences in the United Kingdom”. Global Islamic Economics Magazines, General Council for Islamic Banks and Financial Institutions (CIBAFI).
- Editor proceedings 7<sup>th</sup> Muzakarah Cendekiawan Shariah Nusantara (MCSN). “Aplikasi Ujrah (Fees and Charges) dalam Institusi Kewangan Islam”. Brunei Darussalam.
- Mazrul Shahir Md Zuki and Nur Affah Mohyin (2013). “The Role of Waqf in Socio-Economic Development: Case Study of Waqf Organizations in the UK”. In: Islamic Philanthropy for Ummah Excellence. Shah Alam, Selangor: Institut Kajian Zakat Malaysia (IKaZ). ISBN no: 978-983-44948-7-2. 511-521.
- Nur Affah Mohyin, Yahaya Mohd Yunus, Mazrul Shahir Md Zuki and Ahmad Zaim Mohamad Razali. (2013). “Professional Ethics of the Quantity Surveying Profession from the Islamic Perspective”. In: Afsaneh Nazeri (Ed). Proceedings of Conference of Iran and Malaysia Experiences in Islamic Architecture and Built Environment. Art University of Isfahan, Isfahan, Iran, March 4-5, 2013. ISBN no: 978-967-0621-03-6. 105-115.
- Nurdianawati Irwani Abdullah, Mohamad Akram Laldin, Muhammad Mahbubi Ali, Muhammad Ali Jinnah Ahmad, Syahida Abdullah, Mazrul Shahir Md.Zuki, (2012), “Concepts and Operations of Investment Initiative: Issues and Challenges in Takaful Investment”. Arabic paper presented in the 20th Session of International Fiqh Council in Algeria on 13-18 September 2012.
- Nurdianawati Irwani Abdullah, Mohamad Akram Laldin, Muhammad Mahbubi Ali, Muhammad Ali Jinnah Ahmad, Syahida Abdullah, Mazrul Shahir Md.Zuki, (2012), “Concepts and Operations of Investment Initiative: Issues and Challenges in Takaful Investment”. Malay paper presented in 6<sup>th</sup> Muzakarah Cendekiawan Syariah Nusantara in Brunei on 15th May 2012
- Nurdianawati Irwani Abdullah, Mohamad Akram Laldin, Muhammad Mahbubi Ali, Muhammad Ali Jinnah Ahmad, Syahida Abdullah, Mazrul Shahir Md.Zuki, (2013), “The Concept and Challenges of *Takaful* Investment in Malaysia”, International Shariah Research Academy for Islamic Finance (ISRA), ISRA Research Paper no: 51

- Mazrul Shahir Md Zuki, (2013), “Waqf and Its Role in Socio-Economics Development”, International Shariah Research Academy for Islamic Finance (ISRA), Research Notes of Journal (English), Volume: 4, Issue: 2.
- Mazrul Shahir Md Zuki and Ziyaad Isaacs, (2013), “Islamic Capital Market: An Ethical and Moral Perspective”. International Shariah Research Academy for Islamic Finance (ISRA) Bulletin, volume 15, ISSN 1985-7497, p.7.
- The Applicability of International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) in Islamic Financial Transactions: An Analysis from Shariah Perspective, International Shariah Research Academy for Islamic Finance (ISRA), Research Notes of Journal (English), Volume: 3, Issue: 2.
- BNM Shariah Standard Commentary Books: Murabahah, Mudharabah, Musharakah.
- SSM Shariah Interest Scheme Policy guidelines
- Qurud Mutabadalah (reciprocal loan): Assessing its Viability as an Instrument in Islamic Finance Monetary Policy (Data collection stage)
- Shariah Rules and Interpretations across Jurisdictions: Towards Greater Global Connectivity in Islamic Finance a collaboration research with BNM. (Data collection stage)

### **Presentations**

- Shariah Principles in Islamic Banking and Finance, In-House training for staff of OCBC Bank Al Amin (2016).
- Shariah Contracts in Islamic Banking Products, In-House training for staff of OCBC Bank Al Amin (2016).
- Presenting two papers, “Islamic Ethics in Financial Industry” and “Best Practices and Experiences in Islamic Banking and Finance: Lessons for Uganda”. 1<sup>st</sup> Islamic Finance Conference in Uganda, Islamic University in Uganda (2016).
- Presenting ISRA & ICSB roles and responsibilities to the Maldives’s Ministry of Finance and Treasury, Organized by Malaysia International Islamic Finance Centre (MIFC), Bank Negara Malaysia (2016).
- Course on Islamic Finance: Understanding Shariah Governance in Islamic Financial Institutions, Institute for Professional Legal Training Malaysia (2016).

- Implementation of Cash Waqf in Malaysia, Waqf Australia Conference, Australia Waqf Foundation (2015).
- Course on Islamic Finance: Understanding Shariah Governance in Islamic Financial Institutions, Institute for Professional Legal Training Malaysia (2015).
- A Perspective of Shariah Consultancy in Malaysia, Singapore-Malaysia Islamic Financial Services Conference (**IFSC**), jointly organised by the Singapore Business Federation (**SBF**), Singapore Malay Chamber of Commerce & Industry (**SMCCI**) and Gulf Asia Shari'ah Compliant Investments Association (**GASCIA**)
- Waqf Management Towards the Growth of Socio Economics: Case Study of Institutions in UK. World Universities Islamic Philanthropy Conference, 2013.
- Forum Panel for World Halal Conference Plenary Session III, “Halal Crowd Funding: Establishing Islamic Gift Economy”, organized by Halal Industry Development Corporation (HDC).
- Shariah Applied in Islamic finance, In-House training for staff of Malaysian Industrial Development Finance (MIDF).
- Shariah Applied in Islamic finance, 14-week module in-house training for staff of CIMB Bank.
- Shariah Treasury and Shariah Investment, In-House Shariah dialog Malaysian Industrial Development Finance (MIDF).
- Role of Waqf, Concept and Operations, a briefing for Koperasi Islah Malaysia Berhad (KIMB).

### **Trainings and Conferences**

- Round Table Discussion on “Alternative Financing for Waqf Development: Waqf Development Financing Through SUKUK”, with collaboration Department of Wakaf, Zakat & Hajj Malaysia (JAWHAR) Islamic Council of Negeri Sembilan (MAINS), Securities Commission Malaysia (SC) and Islamic Bank Malaysia Berhad (BIMB).
- Shariah Leaders Education Program (Banking Financing Operations). Shariah Leaders Education Programme. The ICLIF Leadership and Governance Centre.
- Shariah Leaders Education Program (Takaful Module). Shariah Leaders Education Programme. The ICLIF Leadership and Governance Centre.

- Shariah Audit Training, ISRA & ISRA Consultancy.
- Boardroom Session, IIUM Institute of Islamic Banking and Finance (IIBF), Linkages Between Academic Research with Industry Needs.
- 5<sup>th</sup> Global Islamic Microfinance Forum, Financial Inclusion, Outreach Strategies & Innovations, Al Huda Center of Islamic Banking and Economics.
- Yayasan Tun Ismail Mohamed Ali (YTI) Public Lecture Series, The Shaking foundations of Finance by Professor Dr. Ben Jacobsen.
- IFSB & ISRA Shariah roundtable, Financial Safety Nets: Striking a Balance between Shariah Requirements and the Soundness of the Islamic Financial System.
- Halal Initiatives in Healthcare Industry, Halal Industry Development Corporation (HDC)
- Training Program for Bank Negara Malaysia's Shari'ah Standards: Murabahah, Mudarabah and Musharakah. ISRA Consultancy.
- Shariah Leaders Education Programme, BNM (Central bank of Malaysia) & ICLIF
- ISRA Research Industry Consultation (RIC): Takaful Shariah Audit Programme (TSAP)
- Shariah Advisers Workshop "Ranking of Rights in Capital Market Products", Securities Commission Malaysia.
- Shariah Advisers Programme, "Seminar on Exploring the Potential of Gold as Underlying Asset in Islamic Capital Market Product", Securities Commission Malaysia
- In-House Training Programme on Applied Shariah in Islamic Finance, CIMB Islamic Bank Malaysia.
- International Seminar on Waqf, Department of Waqf, Zakat and Hajj (JAWHAR), under the Ministry of Prime Minister Department, Malaysia.
- ISRA In-House discussion with industry research fellow.
- ISRA In-House Intellectual discussion with Industrial person.
- ISRA In-House research training series: Training on product design, pricing and underwriting of risks in Takaful.
- ISRA In-House research training series: Academic Research and Writing Skills.



- ISRA In-House research training series: Training on Qualitative Research Method.
- Monthly Waqf talk, International Centre for Waqf Research (ICWR), IIUM
- KL International Conference for Islamic Finance (KLIFF)
- International conference on “Islam, Science and Sustainable Development: Maqasid al Shariah and Humanity’s Well Being”, The International Institute of Advance Islamic Studies (IAIS)
- International conference on Shariah Objectives (Maqasid Al-Shariah) in Muamalat and Contracts, The International Institute of Advance Islamic Studies (IAIS)
- Training of Trainer Session on Fiqh Muamalat and Its Implications in Islamic banking and Finance, International Council of Islamic Finance Educators (ICIFE)
- Al Barakah 34<sup>th</sup> & 35<sup>th</sup> Symposium on Islamic Economics, Jeddah, KSA.
- Briefing on Financial Services Act 2013 (FSA) and Islamic Financial Services Act (IFSA) for Directors and Senior Management of MIDF Group of Companies, Malaysian Industrial Development Finance (MIDF).
- In-House Motivation Training “Taking Ownership Passionately (TOP)” Program, ISRA & INCEIF.
- ISRA In- House High Performance Team Building Programme
- Briefing for Continuous Program Enhancement (CPE) – Approved Training Providers, Securities Industry Development Corporation (SIDC), Securities Commission.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Convention on Islamic Inheritance and Wealth Management, Islamic Science University of Malaysia (USIM)
- Two days training session on “Taking Ownership Passionately” (TOP)
- Two days training on “Impactful Presentation” and one to one coaching session
- 37<sup>th</sup> & 38<sup>th</sup> Al Baraka Annual Symposium on the Islamic Economics, Jeddah, KSA
- Transformation Forum, Dubai Islamic Economy development Centre (DIEDC). Organise by International Centre of Islamic Economy(ICIE) with Dubai Airport Freezone Authority (DAFZA)
- World Halal Conference 2018, Whither the Next Economy. Interview Andrew Goledzinowski (Australian High Commissioner to Malaysia), Prof Jonathan A.J.

Wilson and Maria Castillo Fernandez (Ambassador & Head of Delegation of the EU to Malaysia)

### **Skills**

**Languages:** Fluent in Malay, Arabic and English

**Writing:** Academic writing skill

**IT:** Computer literate in a number of software packages including word and power point.

**Management:** Have excellent management skills i.e. Human resource management, organisational behaviour, communicating and interpersonal.

**Other skills:** Problem solving, coordinating and managing event, emcee and forum moderator, public speaking, marketing, meeting, consulting, dealing and negotiating with clients.

### **Personal Strengths**

- LEADERSHIP  
Have a leadership quality including vision, commitment, decisiveness, motivational, coaching, exemplary.
- MANAGING ABILITY  
Ability to manage available resources in terms of finance, human resource, equipment, ICT and data for planning, organizing, directing and controlling the work towards achieving the vision and missions of company.
- DISCIPLINE  
Have a mental and physical commitment towards work ethics, rules and regulations and fulfilment of promises.
- INNOVATIVENESS  
Ability to invent and produce new ideas as well as making improvements to enhance quality and productivity.
- PROACTIVENESS

Takes initiatives in resolving problems or executes a course of actions without requiring prompting.

- **RELATIONSHIP & TEAMWORK**

Creates and maintains harmonious work environment and adaptable to any type of environment.

- **INTEGRITY**

Ability to perform duties with honesty and trustworthiness and not abusing authority and position

### **Career Objectives**

I am an enthusiastic individual with an interest to improve my knowledge, experience and skills that allows further development of my leadership and area of expertise. I also have a plan to further study (PhD) and to conduct research. I am very interested to work with institutions that give an added value for me to build my capability so that I can contribute in Islamic Banking and Finance for Ummah Excellence.

### **References**

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