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2025 | IsDB Group Private Sector Forum

20 - 22 May 2025

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About Private Sector Forum

Private sector development is one of the main pillars in the Islamic Development Bank Group (IsDB Group) priorities and, therefore, in conjunction with the IsDB Group Annual Meetings, the IsDB Group private sector entities have been organizing the Private Sector Forum (PSF) yearly to address and further this priority.

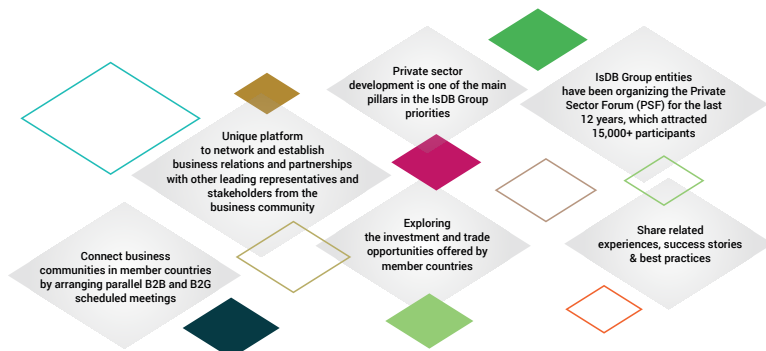
The main objective of the PSF is to provide a unique platform to network and establish business relations and partnerships with other leading representatives and stakeholders from the business community in order to share their related experiences, success stories & best practices while jointly exploring investment and trade opportunities offered by member countries. PSF will also highlight the IsDB Group activities, services, and initiatives in the 57 member countries (investment, trade, and insurance). Also, to present the IsDB Group's role in promoting private sector investment and cross-border trade, in addition of promoting the IsDB Group's services to the private sector interested to invest in its member countries. The Forum will also connect business communities in member countries by networking opportunities and parallel B2B and B2G meetings. It will also feature an awards ceremony reorganizing leaders in trade, insurance, and investment. PSF 2025 will also give an opportunity to its member countries to promote their projects to potential investors.

PSF 2025 will take place from the **20th to the 22nd of May 2025 at the Abdelatif Rahal International Conference Center in Algiers, Algeria**. The PSF Conference Venue can accommodate seating for approximately 350 participants with translation (English, Arabic & French), and all the side events will be live streamed on the official YouTube channels of IsDB Group.

IsDB Group Private Sector Forum



Private Sector Forum Introduction





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PSF 2024 Major Outcomes

1,500+
Participants

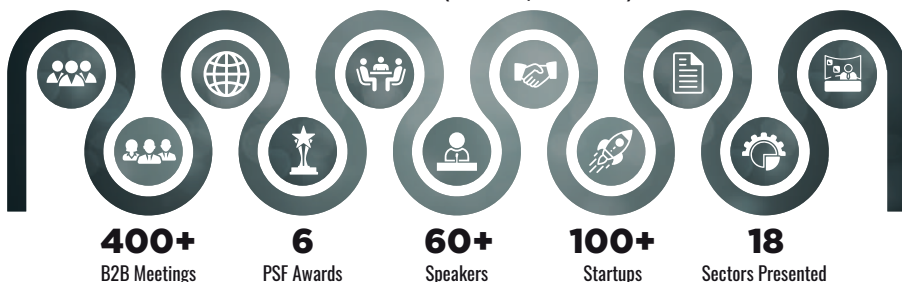
60+
Countries

17
Sessions

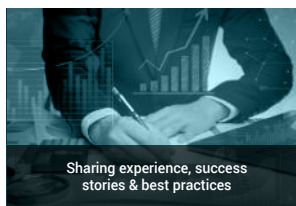
61
MOUs and Agreements
(Value = \$6.5 Billion)

2
Reports
Launched

32
Exhibitors



Main Objectives





Target Audience



Expected Outcomes





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PSF 2025 Activities



Opening
Ceremony



3 Days High-Level
International Forum



Country
Presentations



Panel
Discussions



B2B and B2G
Meetings



Networking
Lunch



Press
Conference



Exhibition



MoU Signing
Ceremony



PSF
Roadshow



Startups and SMEs
Pitch Competition



Awards
Ceremony

PSF Side Events Summary (20-22 May 2025)

SN	Entity/Department	Session Name
1	PSF Sessions	Opening Ceremony
		Private Sector Forum Press Conference
		MOUs and Agreements Signing Ceremony
		PSF Awards Ceremony
		3 rd IsDB Group Innovation and Startups Pitch Competition
		Country Presentations
		CEOs Session "Boosting Intra-OIC Trade and Investment: Overcoming Barriers and Seizing Opportunities"
2	ICIEC	Unlocking Trade Potential among Africa, Arab Countries, and Algeria: The Role of risk mitigation tools in promoting trade and investments
3	ICD	Building a Sustainable Culture: Strategies to Foster Sustainability and Ethics
4	ITFC	Trade Facilitation & Regional Integration
5	IsDB	Halal Economy Leadership Forum (HELFL)
6	ACG	Partnering for Impact: The Arab Coordination Group (ACG) and the Private Sector in Driving Sustainable Development



PSF 2025 Agenda

Day 1 (Tuesday, 20th May 2025)

SN	Event	Organizers	Time/Venue	Format
1	PSF 2025: Opening Remarks	IsDB Group/THIQAH	09:00 – 09:30 Djanet Hall	Speech
2	IsDB Group Private Sector Video	ICIEC/ICD/ITFC/THIQAH	09:30 – 09:35 Djanet Hall	Video
3	CEOs Session "Boosting Intra-OIC Trade and Investment: Overcoming Barriers and Seizing Opportunities"	ICIEC/ICD/ITFC/THIQAH	09:35 – 10:45 Djanet Hall	Panel Discussion
4	IsDB Group Private Sector Awards Ceremony	ICIEC/ICD/ITFC/THIQAH	10:45 – 11:15 Djanet Hall	Ceremonial Event
Networking Coffee Break		11:15 – 12:00		
5	IsDB Group Annual Meetings Opening Ceremony	IsDB Group	19:00 - 20:00 Timimoune Hall	Ceremonial Event

Day 2 (Wednesday, 21st May 2025)

SN	Event	Organizers	Time/Venue	Format
1	Partnering for Impact: The Arab Coordination Group (ACG) and the Private Sector in Driving Sustainable Development	THIQAH/ACG	09:00 – 10:00 Djanet Hall	Panel Discussion
2	Building a Sustainable Culture: Strategies to Foster Sustainability and Ethics	ICD	10:00 – 10:50 Djanet Hall	Panel Discussion
3	Signing of Projects and Financing Agreements	ICIEC/ICD/ITFC/THIQAH	11:00 – 11:30 Press Room Hall	Signing Ceremony
4	Halal Economy Leadership Forum (HELFL)	IsDB	12:00 – 13:15 Djanet Hall	Panel Discussion
Networking Coffee Break		13:15 – 14:00		
5	Trade Facilitation & Regional Integration	ITFC	14:00 – 15:00 Djanet Hall	Panel Discussion
6	3 rd IsDB Group Innovation and Startups Pitch Competition	THIQAH	15:30 – 18:00 Djanet Hall	Pitching

Day 3 (Thursday, 22nd May 2025)

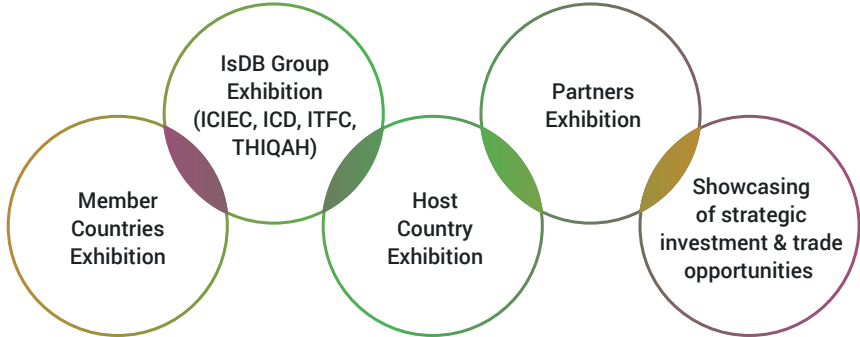
SN	Event	Organizers	Time/Venue	Format
1	Unlocking Trade Potential among Africa, Arab Countries, and Algeria: The Role of risk mitigation tools in promoting trade and investments	ICIEC	08:45 – 09:45 Djanet Hall	Panel Discussion
2	Country Presentations	THIQAH	10:30 – 12:00 Djanet Hall	Presentations
Networking Coffee Break		13:00 – 14:00		
3	Annual Meetings Press Conference	IsDB Group	15:30 – 16:30 Press Room Hall	Press Event
4	Private Sector Forum Press Conference	ICIEC/ICD/ITFC/THIQAH	16:30 – 17:00 Press Room Hall	Press Event



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PSF Exhibition



PSF 2025 Awards

The Private Sector Forum Awards Ceremony is an IsDB Group initiative to recognize and honor exceptional achievements, groundbreaking innovations and impactful initiatives by market practitioners driving positive change through Shariah compliant financial instruments in the areas of trade finance, export credit and private sector development. Led by a panel of independent distinguished judges and boasting a rigorous and robust selection process, the PSF 2025 Awards feature six categories with **ICIEC**, **ICD** and **ITFC** presenting two awards each.



ICIEC Award Categories:

- Best Trade Credit Insurance Deal of the Year
- Best Foreign Investment Insurance Deal of the Year

ICIEC Judge:

- Br. Hassan Idris



ICD Award Categories:

- Most impactful Islamic finance institution or project of the year
- Most impactful ICD investee company of the year

ICD Judge:

- Dr. Mohammed Alyami



ITFC Award Categories:

- Trade Finance Deal of the Year
- Trade Development Initiative of the Year

ITFC Judge:

- Br. Hamdi Ahmedou



3rd ISDB Group Innovation and Startups Pitch Competition



Aims to acknowledge and celebrate innovators shaping the future and creating positive change in member countries. The program recognizes the most innovative and impactful digital solutions developed by entrepreneurs, innovators, and startups. The competition offers a unique platform for startups exploring a diverse range of sectors (from green enterprises to advanced manufacturing) to showcase their digital solutions and gain recognition from a global audience. The program will help the finalists connect with potential investors, partners, and mentors who can help them take their business to the next level.



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09:00 – 09:30
(Djanet Hall)

PSF 2025: Opening Remarks

09:30 – 09:35
(Djanet Hall)

IsDB Group Private Sector Video

09:30 – 10:45
(Djanet Hall)

**CEOs Session “Boosting Intra-OIC Trade and Investment:
Overcoming Barriers and Seizing Opportunities”**

Background

Intra-OIC (Organization of Islamic Cooperation) trade and investment hold immense potential for economic growth and development among member countries. Despite this potential, various barriers such as regulatory challenges, lack of infrastructure, and limited access to financing and guarantees hinder the full realization of these opportunities. The session at the IsDB Private Sector Forum (PSF 2025) aims to discuss these barriers and explore strategies to enhance trade and investment within the OIC region. The session is an opportunity to demonstrate thought leadership and to demonstrate IsDB Group commitment to contribute to its Member Countries to overcome those challenges. It is also a good opportunity for Algerian leaders and business community to showcase their efforts in tackling those challenges.

Objectives

- **Highlight and Identify Barriers:** Discuss the obstacles that are facing intra-OIC trade and investment, including regulatory, infrastructural, financial and collaterals/guarantees challenges.
- **Explore Opportunities:** Highlight the untapped opportunities for trade and investment within the OIC region and how they can be leveraged for mutual benefit.
- **Innovative Solutions:** Present innovative solutions and strategies to overcome barriers and boost intra-OIC trade and investment.
- **Strategic Partnerships and Resource Mobilization:** Foster strategic partnerships and alliances among OIC member countries to optimize resource mobilization.
- **Emphasize the importance of risk mitigation tools to support intra OIC trade and investments.**

Expected Outcomes

- **Promote IsDB Group Efforts in tackling the presented challenges:** Opportunity to demonstrate IsDB Group efforts in tackling those challenges through resource mobilization, filling the financing gap, providing credit and political risk insurance, reverse linkage, capacity building, partnership, etc
- **Enhanced Understanding:** A general understanding of the barriers and opportunities in intra-OIC trade and investment.
- **Strategic Roadmap:** Development of a strategic roadmap to overcome barriers and seize opportunities for boosting trade and investment.
- **Increased Collaboration:** Strengthened collaboration among OIC member countries, leading to increased trade and investment activities.
- **Innovative Practices:** Adoption of innovative practices and solutions to enhance economic cooperation within the OIC region.



Opening Remarks



H.E. Dr. Muhammad Al Jasser

Chairman

Islamic Development Bank (IsDB) Group



H.E. Abdelkrim Bouzred

Minister of Finance

Ministry of Finance of Algeria

Panelists



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Chief Executive Officer

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& Acting Chief Executive Officer

The Islamic Corporation for
the Development of
the Private Sector (ICD)



Eng. Adeb Y. Al-Aama
Chief Executive Officer

International Islamic Trade
Finance Corporation (ITFC)



Dr. Omar Rekkache
Director General

The Algerian Investment
Promotion Agency (AAPI)



Mr. İsmail Erşahin
Executive Director, CEO

World Association of Investment
Promotion Agencies (WAIPA)

Master of Ceremony and Moderator



Mr. Kamel Souig



Mrs. Lamia Achouche



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11:15 – 12:00

Networking Coffee Break

19:00 – 20:00
(Djanet Hall)

IsDB Group Annual Meetings Opening Ceremony

Day 2 (Wednesday, 21st May 2025)

09:00 – 10:00
(Djanet Hall)

Partnering for Impact: The Arab Coordination Group (ACG)
and the Private Sector in Driving Sustainable Development



About the Event

Promote the 50th anniversary of the Arab Coordination Group (ACG) and explore the pivotal role of private sector partnerships in achieving sustainable development goals. This panel will delve into collaborative strategies to address global challenges and enhance economic growth.

Expected Outcomes

- Enhanced understanding of ACG-private sector partnerships.
- Development of a strategic roadmap for future collaborations.
- Strengthened ties and increased joint projects between ACG and private sector entities.
- Promotion of innovative practices to improve development outcomes.



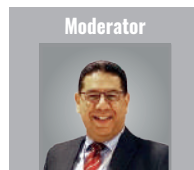
Dr. Mohamed Alyami
General Manager
Development Effectiveness
Office ICD



Mr. Khalid Hamza
Vice President
of Private Sector
Arab Fund for Economic
and Social Development



Mr. Khalid Khadduri
Director of Business
Development
Private Sector Operations,
OPEC Fund



Moderator
Mr. Ibrahim Shoukry
Director of Partnerships,
Global Advocacy & Resource Mobilization
Islamic Development Bank (IsDB)



10:00 – 10:50
(Djanet Hall)

Building a Sustainable Culture: Strategies to Foster Sustainability and Ethics

Background

This event is part of the ICD Sustainability and ESG Awareness Program, designed to increase awareness of sustainability concepts and promote the integration of sustainability practices and ESG principles at the operational level. Sustainability is not just an environmental concern but a multifaceted approach that enriches lives through diversified economic opportunities. The event aims to link sustainability to the concepts of “Diversifying Economies and Enriching Lives” by demonstrating how sustainable practices can create robust economic opportunities while improving the well-being of communities. Key pillars include economic resilience, job creation, local agriculture, community engagement, innovation and entrepreneurship, education and awareness, long-term viability, and improved quality of life.

Objectives

- Enhance awareness of sustainability and ESG principles.
- Integrate sustainable practices into decision-making.
- Foster stakeholder collaboration.
- Address barriers to implementation.
- Promote leadership in sustainability.
- Encourage cross-sector partnerships to drive meaningful change and resilience.



MR. HUSSAIN AL LAWATI
CEO, Development Bank
Sultanate of Oman



DR. CONRAD REIN
Secretary General
of the Global
Flagship Initiative
for Food Security



DR. ISSA FAYE
Director General
Global Practice
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IsDB



DR. MOHAMMED ALYAMI
General Manager
Development Effectiveness
Office ICD

Moderator



DR. ADNAN AZIZ
Chief Program Officer,
Global Islamic Finance Impact Program (GIFIP)

11:00 – 11:30
(Press Room Hall)

Signing of Projects and Financing Agreements



12:00 – 13:15
(Djanet Hall)

Halal Economy Leadership Forum (HELFL)

Background

Halal products and services are rapidly emerging as a significant force in global trade and economic development. This growth is driven by robust demand from Muslim consumers worldwide and an increasing preference among non-Muslims for products aligned with ethical values like trust, integrity, and sustainability. However, realizing the full potential of this thriving sector requires overcoming significant hurdles such as fragmented Halal certification standards, inconsistent regulatory frameworks, and constraints to market access.

Objectives

- Facilitate discussions on standardizing Halal certification processes.
- Highlight Algeria's potential as a hub for Halal production and export.
- Emphasize human capital development in the Halal industry.
- Promote advancements in Halal product development.

Expected Outcomes

- Enhanced regulatory harmonization.
- Increased investments in the Halal sector.
- Improved capacity building initiatives.
- Promoted innovation and sustainability.

Opening Session



**H.E. Rizany Irwan
Muhamad Mazlan**
Ambassador of Malaysia
to Algeria



Dr. Issa Faye
Director General,
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H.E. Dr. Abdulhakim Elwaer
Assistant Director-General,
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Organization of the United
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Monira AlMohammed
Chief Shared Services Officer,
Halal Product Development
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Hairol Ariffein Sahari
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Rekatama, Indonesia



Muhammadu Dikko Ladan
CEO
Dar Al Halal Group
Limited, Nigeria



Rohaizad Hassan
General Manager
Yildiz Holding, Türkiye

Leadership Session: "Advancing Global Partnerships For The Halal Economy"



MODERATOR



Samer Elesawi

Head

Center of Excellence
IsDB



Dr. Marco Tieman

consultant

13:15 – 14:00

Networking Coffee Break

14:00 – 15:00
(Djanet Hall)

Trade Facilitation & Regional Integration

Background

ITFC's first operation in Algeria in 2024 marked a significant milestone in expanding trade finance services across its Member Countries. This event will highlight ITFC's activities and products in Algeria, promoting ITFC in an important market and supporting local banks with LC Confirmation facilities to enhance trade. The event aligns with the theme of the Annual Meetings by showcasing ITFC's impact in supporting trade in Member Countries and marketing ITFC's offerings to attendees.

Objectives

- Position ITFC better in engagements with the Algerian business community and regional financial institutions.
- Highlight challenges in cross-border trade, the role of DFIs, and the impact of ITFC's product offerings.
- Facilitate regional integration and promote Islamic Finance.

Expected Outcomes

- Onboarding additional Algerian financial institution clients.
- Promoting Islamic Finance to private sector clients.
- Attracting a high-level panel and strong attendance from the targeted audience.



Mr. Nazeem Noordali
Chief Operating Officer
International Islamic
Trade Finance
Corporation (ITFC)



Mr. Anys Rahaby
Chief Executive Officer
Algerian Startup Fund

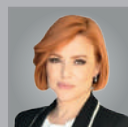


Mr. Alp Topcuoglu
Chief Executive Officer
Tosyali Algeria



Mr. Zohir Laiche
Chief Executive Officer
Compagnie Algérienne
d'Assurance et de Garantie
des Exportations (CAGEX)

Moderator



Mrs. Lamia Achouche



15:30 – 18:00
(Djanet Hall)

3rd IsDB Group Innovation and Startups Pitch Competition

Background

Entrepreneurial innovation, particularly in emerging markets, is vital for sustainable economic growth and job creation. However, startups often face barriers such as limited access to capital, networks, mentorship, and markets.

To address these challenges, the Islamic Development Bank (IsDB) Group is launching the **3rd Innovation and Startups Pitch Competition & Demo Day 2025 - alongside a 3-Day Bootcamp & Mentorship Program** - during the Annual Meetings in Algeria (18–22 May 2025).

This initiative connects innovative startups with investors and development partners, emphasizing digital, data, and AI technologies to drive transformative global impact.

Objectives

- Launch the IsDB Group's strategic investor engagement platform for startups.
- Showcase AI-driven, investment-ready startups in fintech, climate tech, digital health, and education.
- Facilitate direct startup-investor connections to secure funding and strategic partnerships.
- Strengthen startup ecosystems across member countries by fostering innovation and scalability.
- Equip startups with critical business, pitching, and scaling skills through intensive bootcamp training.

Expected Outcomes

- **Increased Startup Funding:** Targeting strategic investments for promising startups and forging partnerships with DFIs, investors, accelerators, and ecosystem catalysts.
- **Expanded Ecosystem:** Strengthened networks across 30+ member countries and global startup hubs.
- **Stronger Sustainability Focus:** Promotion of green and ethical business models.
- **Higher Global Recognition:** Positioning the IsDB Startups Pitch Competition as a premier innovation platform and key facilitator of financing for startups focused on digital, data, and AI technologies.
- **Investor-Ready Startups:** Refined business models, polished pitches, enhanced financial literacy, and growth strategies.
- **Improved Scaling Readiness:** Startups equipped with actionable go-to-market and fundraising strategies, and investor negotiation skills.

Together, these initiatives aim to empower entrepreneurs, catalyze innovation ecosystems, and deliver sustainable economic impact across the IsDB Member Countries.



Opening Remarks



Dr. Khalid Khalafalla

Chief Executive Officer

The Islamic Corporation for the Insurance
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& Acting Chief Executive Officer
The Islamic Corporation for the Development
of the Private Sector (ICD)



H.E. Mr. Nouredine Ouadah

**Minister of Knowledge Economy,
Startups and Micro-enterprises**

Ministry of Knowledge Economy,
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Panelists



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Secretary General

Ministry of Knowledge
Economy, Startups and
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Mr. Hassanein Hiridjee
CEO, Axian



Mr. Boualam Hammouni
Officer In Charge
Investment Department, ISDB



Mr. Nasser Al Thekair
General Manager,
Trade & Business
Development, ITFC

Moderator



Mr. Mohamed Hedi Mejai
Advisor to H.E. the President, ISDB



Day 3 (Thursday, 22nd May 2025)

08:45 – 09:45
(Djanet Hall)

Unlocking Trade Potential among Africa, Arab Countries, and Algeria: The Role of risk mitigation tools in promoting trade and investments - (Djanet Hall)

Background

Africa, the Arab region, and Algeria have significant untapped trade potential. Multilateral institutions like IC-IEC, Afreximbank, and BADEA play a crucial role in promoting trade and investment by providing financial guarantees, capacity building, and risk mitigation services. The event will emphasize Algeria's strategic importance as a trade hub and showcase the role of multilateral institutions in supporting trade and investment.

Objectives

- Promote Algeria as a strategic trade hub.
- Strengthen multilateral cooperation.
- Highlight growth sectors such as renewable energy, infrastructure, agriculture, and technology.
- Address trade barriers and risks.
- Foster public-private partnerships.
- Promote sustainable development.

Expected Outcomes

- Increased regional trade cooperation.
- Enhanced role of multilateral institutions.
- Actionable recommendations for trade facilitation.
- Identification of key sectors for investment and trade.
- Strengthened partnerships.

Panelists



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Mr. Sujithav Saranji
**Executive Director,
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Standard Chartered

Moderator



Mr. Mohamud Khalif
**Director Underwriting
Operations**
Islamic Corporation for
the Insurance of Investment
and Export Credit (ICIEC)



10:30 – 12:00
(Djanet Hall)

Country Presentations



**Mr. Mohamad Safri
Shahul Hamid**
Chief Executive Officer
International Islamic Liquidity
Management Corporation
(IILM)



Mr. Fahri Hamzah
Vice Minister
Ministry of Housing &
Settlement of Indonesia



Ms. Imane Toumi
Manager
Algeria Investment Promotion
Agency (AAPI)



Ms. Assia Zarour
**General manager in
charge of industrial
investment and SMEs
promotion**
Ministry of Industry

Master of Ceremony



Mr. Kamel Souig
Master of Ceremony

13:00 – 14:00

Networking Coffee Break

15:30 – 16:30
(Press Room Hall)

Annual Meetings Press Conference

16:30 – 17:00
(Press Room Hall)

Private Sector Forum Press Conference



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