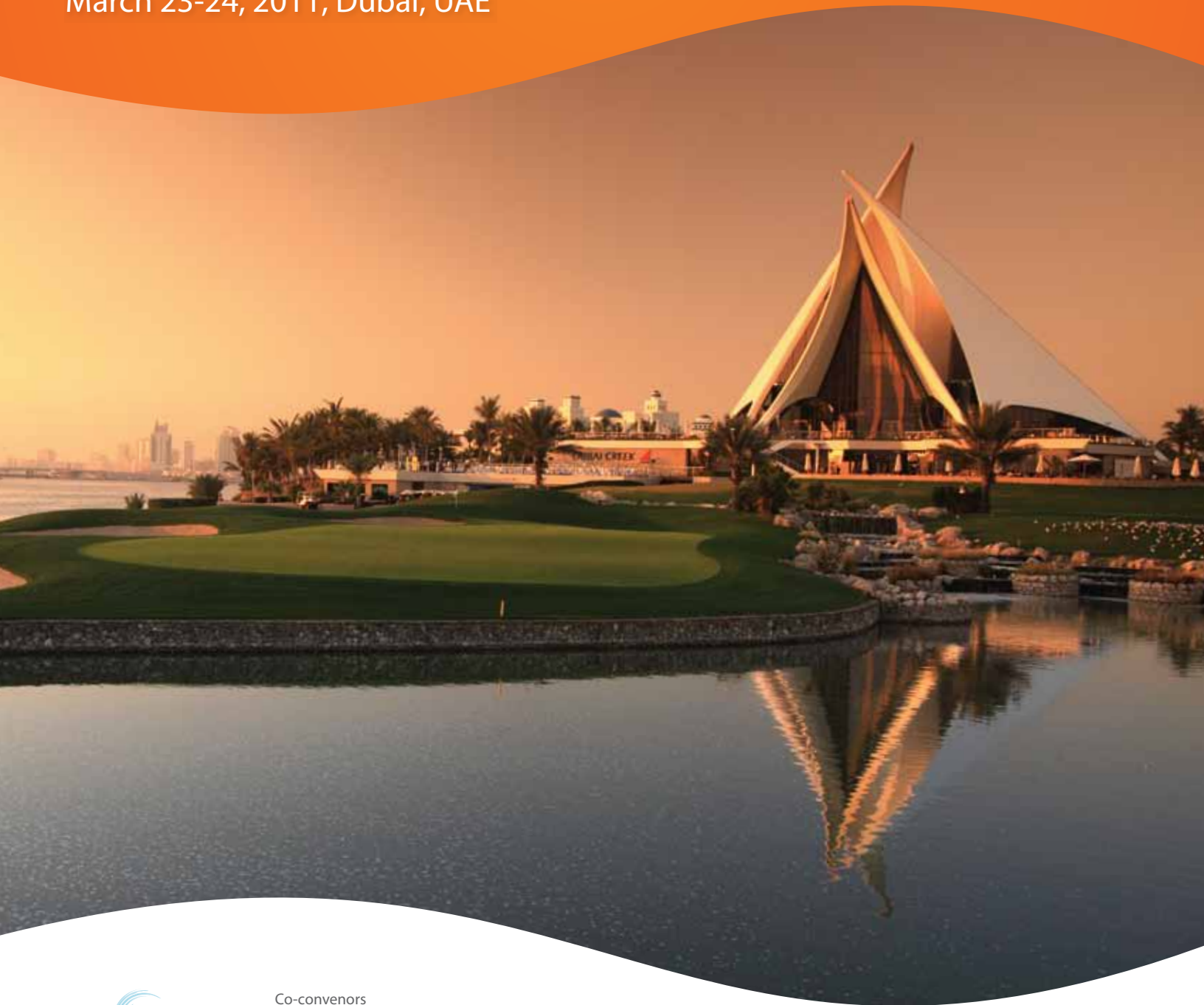


4th World Congress of Muslim Philanthropists

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March 23-24, 2011, Dubai, UAE



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“Our region’s success depends on creating an environment conducive to knowledge and on providing tomorrow’s leaders with the motivation to build a better future. It is our duty to make them great assets to themselves, their nation and to the world.”

His Excellency Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum

Today there are an estimated 1.57 billion Muslims constituting 23% of the world’s population. They live across the continents and contribute substantially to the world economy. They are also significant players in the social sector, whereby, developing nonprofits that address human services and social needs or creating charitable foundations that are distributing financial resources at an unprecedented level. Within this group there is a potentially enormous resource base on which philanthropies can build new initiatives to advance social justice.

Muslim Philanthropy is at a crossroad, challenged to build new models of giving while simultaneously refining old methods embedded in vibrant Islamic tradition. The foremost challenge in the field is to promote strategic and accountable philanthropy that complements and enhances the generations-old conventional charity, which is often personal and spontaneous. Muslim giving needs to be reexamined and allied with the newly developing era of prosperity and hard-earned stability found in some parts of today’s Muslim world. Externally, Muslim Philanthropy is challenged by prejudice, suspicion and negative publicity, thus limiting its ability to fund programs addressing poverty, illiteracy, environmental degradation and disease.

The necessity to effectively harness resources in order to make a greater impact is compelling. The World Congress of Muslim Philanthropists (WCMP) has long shared the concern that strengthening practices in the Muslim philanthropic sector must be a priority, with a new view to enhancing social justice. Consequently, it is committed to a process of planning and action to achieve lasting change in the field. In pursuit of this agenda, WCMP envisions working in collaboration with the vast array of individuals and institutions that seek to improve the Muslim world and the broader global community. WCMP, therefore, resolves to work towards building and promoting these strategies in the field, accepting its share of responsibility for completion of this work, as well as encouraging and supporting others that can contribute to this endeavor.

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About

The World Congress of Muslim Philanthropists is a global network of affluent individuals, foundations, and socially responsible corporations established to advance effective and accountable giving. WCMP is a unique catalyst for partnership across public, private, and social sectors, offering information and resources to link donors with social investment opportunities. As a trusted broker of collaborative relationships, WCMP mobilizes financial and human resources to address issues and advance strategic philanthropy.

Once a year, the World Congress of Muslim Philanthropists convenes donors, social investors, government and business leaders, experts, and visionaries from across the world to offer pragmatic insight and constructive responses to pressing global challenges. The annual donor conference is widely recognized as the premier worldwide forum on Muslim philanthropy. The conference serves as a marketplace for ideas, a forum for sharing knowledge and experience, and a safe space for leading rational debate on issues unique to the Muslim societies

Our mission

The World Congress of Muslim Philanthropists is committed to advance strategic giving by leveraging the more effective use of knowledge, wealth, and influence among Muslim philanthropists. It aims to build a culture of enduring engagement where Muslim donors collaborate with each other, and emerge as a significant and vital component of the global philanthropic community.

Our Vision

The World Congress of Muslim Philanthropists envisions a peaceful, equitable, and sustainable world, generously endowed by ethical, inclusive, and effective philanthropy.

Our Philosophy

Driven by the compassion that is intrinsic in Islamic values, Muslims should reach out to the destitute and oppressed, irrespective of gender, ethnicity, or religious belief.

Our Focus

- Muslim Giving Stewardship ■ Endowment Revitalization ■ Next Generation Philanthropists
- Entrepreneurial Advancement ■ Knowledge and Capacity Building ■ Public Policy and Advocacy
- International Justice & Human Rights ■ Millennium Development Goals (MDGs)

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In the face of constant and complex global crises, individual governments are falling behind in the provision of social safety nets for their people, leading to debate about the appropriate roles for business and civil society organizations in meeting the core needs of their societies and addressing the root causes of poverty. In a globalized world, issues once considered “local” may now pose harm to communities across borders. This alarming situation requires the promotion of a global culture of common concern and collaborative action.

The 4th World Congress will initiate a dialogue around the potential roadmap for Muslim philanthropy in the next decade. Against the backdrop of current developments in Muslim world, the forum will delineate a comprehensive strategy for philanthropy that will foster social and economic development, strengthen philanthropic institutions and civil society, and empower individuals, particularly the young generation, to play a peaceful and constructive role in advancing positive social change in their societies. This vital discourse will be enriched by the collective wisdom and experience of distinguished public and private sector leaders, philanthropists, and intellectuals who will gather in Dubai.

The annual convening of the World Congress of Muslim Philanthropists is widely recognized as the premier forum on Muslim Philanthropy worldwide, which attracts social investors, grantmakers, government and business leaders, scholars, and civil society executives to a safe and solicitation-free environment.

The two day activity will include high-level plenary sessions, discussions and interactive roundtables on a range of issues vital to the immediate and long term needs of societies throughout the Muslim World. The Conference will also showcase innovative philanthropic models selected from around the world. The Muslim Philanthropy Award banquet will take place on the evening of March 23rd in three categories; personality, grantmaker, and corporation.

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Tuesday, 22 March 2011

17:00 – 19:00 Registration

Wednesday, 23 March 2011

08:00 – 09:00 Registration

9.00 – 10:45 **HIGH-LEVEL OPENING PLENARY [LEADERSHIP FORUM-I]**
Defining the Roadmap for the Next Decade

Inaugural Address

Keynotes:

Ambassador Rashad Hussain, President Obama's Special Envoy to the Organization of Islamic Conference

Lord Hastings of Scarisbrick, Global Head of Citizenship and Diversity, KPMG International

H.R.H. Prince Turki bin Talal bin Abdul Aziz, Chairman, Mentor Foundation and Advisor to Arab Open University, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia

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H. E. M. Jusuf Kalla, Former Vice President of Republic of Indonesia

H.E. Jorge Fernando Branco de Sampaio, High Representative of United Nations Alliance of Civilizations and former President of Portugal

Video Messages:

President Jimmy Carter, Founder of The Carter Center, United States

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10:45 – 11:00

Coffee Break

11:00 – 12:00

PLENARY [COEXISTENCE]

Leading the Shift from Conflict to Coexistence

Mr. Jean-Christophe Bas, Senior Adviser, United Nations Alliance of Civilizations

Mr. Salman Sheikh, Director, Brookings Institute Doha, Qatar

Ms. Elissar Sarrouh, UN Resident Coordinator and UNDP Resident Representative, UAE

Mr. Shahid Malik, Former government Minister of United Kingdom and CEO of Global Cooperation & Development Partnerships, United Kingdom

12:00 - 13:00

Lunch

13:00 - 14:15

PLENARY [MILLENNIUM DEVELOPMENT GOALS]

MDGs: Investing in People through Innovative Partnerships

Interactive discussion with prominent public, private and social sector leaders, moderated by

Mr. Amir Dossal, Founder and Chairman of Global Partnerships Forum and former UN Chief Liaison for Partnerships [Moderator]

Ms. Joanna Rubinstein, Chief of Staff, The Earth Institute at Columbia University, United States

Dr. Marwan Awartani, Chairman, Arab Foundations Forum (AFF), Palestine

Mr. James Fierro, Founder and CEO, Recipco Holdings, Canada

H.E. Abdulkareem Hassan Jama, Minister of Information, Post and Telecommunication, Republic of Somalia

BREAKOUT-I [CREATIVE COLLABORATIONS] **Innovative Approaches to Interfaith and Higher Education**

Dr. Yahya Michot, Professor of Islamic Studies, Hartford Seminary, United States

In this session, panelists will share the experiences of IIIT, Kingdom Foundation and the Hartford Seminary in funding interfaith and higher education institutions worldwide. The panelists will also address and define the major issues that face Muslim philanthropy from the lenses of these experiences, and will suggest new ways and means for the contribution of Muslim philanthropist to higher education, particularly in the fields of science, technology, social entrepreneurship and development.

Ms. Muna Abu Sulayman, Secretary General, Alwaleed Bin Talal Foundation, Saudi Arabia

Dr. Jamal Barzinji, PhD, International Institute of Islamic Thought, United States

Dr. Heidi Hadsell, PhD, President of Hartford Seminary, United States

BREAKOUT [DEVELOPMENT SPOTLIGHT]

Improving the Quality of Life of the Poor: A Multi-input Area Development approach to Poverty Alleviation

More than 70% of the poor in Muslim-majority countries live in rural areas and many are subsistence farmers. Strategies such as a Multi-Input Area Development (MIAD) strategy can be useful for improving quality of life and creating sustainable development. MIAD takes into account the multiplicity of factors that govern people's lives, uses relevant historical and socio-economic contexts, assesses a geographical area from a multi-dimensional perspective, and calls for a coordinated assessment of an area.

Mr. Iqbal Noor Ali, Senior Advisor, The Aga Khan Development Network, United States

Wildlife Advancing Africa: A Vision for the Next Decade

The continent of Africa has traditional geographical, linguistic, cultural and religious ties to the Muslim world. AWF's newest initiative, African Wildlife Capital will provide a new mechanism for Muslim philanthropists to benefit the African continent through impact investing that provides affordable finance instead of "handouts." AWF promotes the idea that conservation plus economic growth equals sustainable development.

Dr. Patrick Bergin, CEO of African Wildlife Foundation, Kenya

Innovative Approaches to Tackling Global Hunger

Concern Worldwide uses a variety of innovative approaches to address global hunger. For example, Concern Worldwide's "Community Therapeutic Care" model has been internationally adopted as best practice in addressing acute malnutrition, has changed UN policy, and continues to have global impact. CW's focus has also switched to preventing children from becoming malnourished in the first place and tackling under-nutrition in a more holistic way. Concern Worldwide is at the forefront of using new technologies, e.g. mobile phones, mobile banks and smart cards, for efficient social transfers in very difficult contexts.

Mr. Tom Arnold, Chief Executive Officer of Concern Worldwide, Ireland

The New Age of Philanthropy: The Rise of Emerging Economies and Socially Conscious Investments

The Global Fund believes that a new age of philanthropy is upon us. Research indicates that citizens in some of the world's fastest growing markets--India and China for instance--have outpaced their Western peers as being the most engaged in supporting good causes. Moreover, the age of checkbook philanthropy is declining. Philanthropists increasingly view their contributions as a socially conscious investment, with returns that can be tracked. The Global Fund will share innovations that respond to these two major changes, and offer new ways to direct sources of wealth to good causes.

Mr. Karthik Paramasivan, The Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis, and Malaria, Switzerland

A Glimpse into the Next Decade: Sharing ROTA's Vision and Experience (case study)

Mr. Essa Ali Al Mannai, Director, Reach Out to Asia, Qatar Foundation, Qatar

15:30 – 15:45

Coffee Break

15:45 – 17:00

PLENARY [LEADERSHIP FORUM-II]

Philanthropy and the Muslim World: Setting the Right Priorities

Distinguished leaders and experts will bring to light a range priority areas that philanthropic sector to focus upon such as health, development, entrepreneurship, higher education, gender equity and corporate citizenship.

Dr. Awa Marie Coll-Seck, Head, WHO Rollback Malaria Partnership, Former Health Minister of Republic of Senegal

Dr. Bashir Omar Fadlalla, Director of Islamic Solidarity Fund for Development of Islamic Development Bank (IDB), Former Finance Minister of Republic of Sudan

Ms. Katherine Milligan, Schwab Foundation for Social Entrepreneurship, Switzerland

Dr. Peter Heath, Chancellor, American University of Sharjah, United Arab Emirates

Dr. Anjum R. Haque, Executive Director, Pakistan Center for Philanthropy, Pakistan

Mr. Charles Moore, Executive Director, Committee Encouraging Corporate Philanthropy, USA

19:30 – 21:30

BANQUET [KEYNOTE ADDRESS & AWARDS CEREMONY]

Recognition of Notable Guests and Sponsors

Dinner

Distribution of Awards

Thursday, 24 March 2011

08:00 – 09:45

ROUNDTABLE-I [SOCIAL ENTREPRENEURSHIP]

Tackling Challenges in Advancing Social Entrepreneurship

Social entrepreneur (SEs) use entrepreneurial principles to organize, create and manage a venture to solve a social problem and achieve social change. Social entrepreneurs focus on creating social capital, and on furthering social and environmental goals. But social entrepreneurs face many challenges: How do SEs attract and retain investors? How can SEs work with or around government entities, large monopolies and other power brokers? How can SEs inject innovation into education? And how can social entrepreneurship promote gender equity? How does social media facilitate the work of SEs? Finally, how do SEs measure their impact?

Ms. Afeefa Sayeed, Senior Culture & Development Advisor, USAID, United States [Interlocutor]

Dr. Natasha M. Matic, Strategy & Program Advisor, King Khalid Foundation, Saudi Arabia

Mr. Fred Sicre, Partner at Abraaj Capital, United Arab Emirates

Rama Chakaki, Co-founder and CEO, Baraka Ventures, United Arab Emirates

Mr. Rabih F. Mattar, Manager Advocacy & Special Programmes, Islamic Solidarity Fund for Development, Islamic Development Bank

ROUNDTABLE-II [MUSLIM KNOWLEDGE ECOSYSTEM]

The Science, Technology, and Innovation (STI) Initiative for the Islamic World

To ensure that the Islamic world isn't doomed to second-tier status in science and technology for economic and social development, at the 3rd World Congress of Muslim Philanthropists in 2010 a bold challenge was put forth to forge a pan-Islamic alliance of complementary scientific institutions that will use all the tools of physical and virtual social networking to achieve synergies across the Islamic world. The Alliance, composed of ASTF, ISESCO, OIC's COMSTECH, UNESCO and NYAS will enhance the status and capacity of regional centers of science excellence while networking the talent pools of regions that are resource-poor but talent-rich. The Alliance will build on their respective and complementary strengths in pan-Islamic scientific convening and student mentoring and in research funding, and will develop travel fellowships and exchanges, and online distance learning. The Alliance has called this the "Islamic Science, Technology, and Innovation (STI) Initiative."

Mr. Ellis Rubinstein, President & CEO, The New York Academy of Sciences [Interlocutor]

Prof. Dr. Mukhtar Ahmed, Deputy Director General, ISESCO
Dr. Abdulla Ismail, Senior Executive Adviser, Emirates Foundation, UAE
Dr. Abdalla A. Alnajjar, President of Arab Science & Technology Foundation, UAE
Dr. Eric Novotny, Senior Vice President, CRDF Global, United States
Dr. Eric Bone, Senior Scientist & Policy Advisor, U.S. Department of State

09:45 - 10:00
10:00 – 11:15

Coffee Break

PLENARY [FINANCE AND PHILANTHROPY]

Islamic Finance a Necessary Tool to Unlock Muslim Philanthropy

Dr. Alberto G. Brugnoli, Chairman of the Board of ASSAIF, Italy [Moderator]

This session will examine some of the social and economic issues that are besetting contemporary Muslim societies. It will examine within a common framework the failure of zakat to achieve most of its socio-economic objectives, the stagnation of waqf institutions in performing their designated social functions and the growing divergence between the aspirations of Islamic economics and the realities of the Islamic finance industry and focus on the shared roots of these issues. It will also offer actionable programme plans for zakat and innovative ways of using the institution of waqf to establish social enterprises as possible common solutions, and propose the launching of a microfinance fund.

Problems and Prospects of Contemporary Zakat Management

Dr. Azad Chalikuzhi, Advisor to the President of Central Informatics Organization, Bahrain

Waqf as Sustainable Social Enterprise: Organizational Architecture and Prospects

Dr. Habib Ahmed, Sharjah Chair in Islamic Law and Finance, University of Durham, UK

Investment strategies in the cash-waqf and endowments sectors

Mr. Sohaib Umar, Senior Manager | MENA Islamic Financial Services E&Y Bahrain

Modern challenges in establishing Trusts and Foundations

Mr. Reuben M. Buttigieg, Malta Institute of Management, Malta

11:15-12:30

BREAKOUT-I [INNOVATION IN PHILANTHROPY]

Mr. Waseem Anwar, Managing Director of Chicago Capital, United States [Moderator]

Cash Transfers as an Effective Tool for Muslim Philanthropy

Cash Transfer (CT) is the un-conditional transfer of regular and predictable small sums of money to poor households at the time of need, to enable them to recover from disasters and feed their families. CT programs utilize the newest technologies, and have become increasingly popular in the last five years and are rapidly becoming the intervention of choice for INGOs and represent a shift away from food distribution. CT represents a powerful tool as it allows donors to reach the poorest communities even under the hardest conditions. The biggest advantage of the cash program is the increased choice and flexibility that it provides to the beneficiaries, enabling them to maintain a sense of dignity. Though a major portion of the money is spent on food, other items also include doctor's visits, medicines, school fees and domestic items.

Mr. Abdirashid Haji Nur, Country Director, Concern Worldwide, Somalia

Sustainable Small and Medium Enterprises

Sustainable small and medium enterprises (SMEs) have a greater potential for sustainable economic and social development, and for enabling a permanent exit from poverty, than household-based micro-enterprises.

But SME's represent the "missing middle," as they have a hard time accessing capital giving. These businesses often need not only patient, tailored capital but also technical assistance support to enable sustainability. The "Fund of Funds" mechanism spreads financial risks over a number of funds investing in SME which reduces transaction costs, enables investment in domestic banks doing SME lending, and secures securing a much lower average size of investment into SME than if investing directly.

Mr. Nicholas Colloff, Director of Strategy and Innovation at Oxfam GB, United Kingdom

Kuwait Health Initiative

The Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) states suffer an unprecedented burden of chronic diseases and health sector failures. Their health systems are ill equipped to offer cost-effective care largely due to a continued lack of regional public health expertise and to a piecemeal approach to reform. The Kuwait Health Initiative, a nonprofit group, proposes the establishment of an Institute for Global Health Policy, a nonprofit and independent health policy think tank promoting equitable and sustainable reform through research, education, advocacy, and strategic partnerships with public health organizations.

Dr. Nadeem Al-Duaij, Chairman of Kuwait Health Initiative, Instructor at Harvard Medical School

Using Faith-Based Giving for Progress and Productivity of Communities

Zakat is not a ritual but a fundamental tool for social change. It instills as part of our value system a sense of social responsibility and sacrifice. Often, Islamic injunctions and principles are narrowly followed and lose the spirit and purpose behind them. In order to increase the effectiveness of Zakat and satisfy the security concerns of governments and donors, proper needs assessments, transparency, financial controls, and operational efficiency are key. Additionally, money must be accompanied by action and so encouraging volunteerism at an early stage in Muslim communities is an important component, as are social awareness, awareness of minority rights, and strengthening of civil society.

Mr. Kamal Anas, Independent Consultant and Entrepreneur, United States

BREAKOUT-II [CAPACITY BUILDING]

Mr. Taleb Salhab, Senior Analyst at Rockefeller Brothers Fund [Moderator]

Philanthropic Efforts Aimed at Improving Relations between the U.S. and Muslim Societies -

According to a Pew Forum Study, 56% of Americans report knowing little or nothing about Muslim societies and their practices, and the number of Americans with negative perceptions of Muslims is on the rise. In addition to challenges managing attitudes within the U.S., relations between the U.S. and predominantly Muslim countries have also become increasingly strained as a result of the events of September 11th, and the "war on terror" and concurrent wars with Iraq and Afghanistan. This presentation will address the responses and approaches being developed by several U.S.-based foundations to address these challenges.

Ms. Nadia Roumani, Principal, Roumani Consulting LLC; Consultant, Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders in Philanthropy/Rockefeller Brothers Fund, United States

Collaborations offering Rewards Beyond Money (case study)

This presentation will explore what innovation and creativity mean in context of philanthropy through examples and success stories including that of the organic model of Fatima Memorial System. The presentation will include how to work beyond money through knowledge driven initiatives based on mutual strengths brought about through networking and focus on long term sustainability. Concepts such as social entrepreneurship, institution builders, risk-takers and risk-absorbers, and mediators will be discussed.

Ms. Shahima Rehman, Chair of Fatima Memorial Systems, Pakistan

Strengthening Leadership and Capacity of the Nonprofit Sector in the Arab/Muslim World –

While appreciating the extraordinary spirit and diversity of the Muslim civil society sector, it is critical to understand and highlight the gap in sustainability and leadership. This paradigm shift from being reactionary to creating an environment fueled by capacity building and leadership will allow the sector to grow and flourish as it becomes an important space in regional and global development. The power of service, voluntarism and social commitment with a focus on human security and social justice is evident by the response to humanitarian and emergency crisis in the region. This presentation will explore how philanthropists and foundations funding in predominantly Muslim countries continue to function in a reactionary mode and will highlight lessons learned from strategic philanthropic efforts to build human capital and capacity building in public health, higher education, and the philanthropic sectors in other regions, allowing for knowledge sharing and critical lessons learned.

Mr. Mohamed Abdel-Kader, Associate Director of Development, Edmund A. Walsh School of Foreign Service at Georgetown University, United States

Ms. Sara Shroff, Senior Director, Changing Our World, United States

Ms. Nadia Roumani, Principal, Roumani Consulting LLC; Consultant, Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders in Philanthropy/Rockefeller Brothers Fund, United States

12:30–13:30

LUNCH

13:30–14:30

PLENARY [PERSPECTIVES]

Dr. Asma Siddiki, Director Global Higher Education practice, Huron Consulting Group, UAE [Moderator]

A New Approach to Justice: “Islamohumanistic” Philanthropy as a Cradle for Wisdom Age Freedom and Justice

Since the industrial age, philanthropy has focused on helping to meet material needs. We are now moving towards a new age where holistic interventions beyond just the material are critical. The TCT School of Thought offers a framework to transform philanthropic activities into humanistic endeavors that seek to promote the values of freedom, justice and dignity--values intrinsic to Islam but often forgotten.

Dr. El Mostafa Higazy, Founder & President, ACME Corporation, Square Institute for Strategic Thinking, Egypt

Why are the Islamic and Arab countries absent from global humanitarian policy making?-

Despite decades of philanthropic giving from the Arab and Muslim countries, these nations are still absent from policy-making and decision-making on a global level when it comes to humanitarian and development debates and forum. While the GCC countries and other Islamic countries favor bi-lateral giving, how effective is that type of aid, and what is the opportunity cost of missing the multilateral and more visible giving?

Ms. Brigitte Mountain, UNHCR office at United Arab Emirates

Unlocking the Potential of Philanthropy in the Muslim World

Mr. Nabil Alyousuf, Chairman of AlJal Capital, United Arab Emirates

Aligning Sovereign Wealth Funds with Economic Empowerment of the Poor

Sovereign Wealth Funds (SWF) have accumulated more than \$3.9 trillion and constitute a much larger share than all the hedge funds combined. Leading institutions like TEMASEK, Adia and the Norwegian State Fund have long-term experience in how to leverage their financial clout, and how to manage in the interests of the local constituency. Up to now SWFs have been considered a threat. But the SWFs can partner with hedge funds and build a common future, create new asset classes with less risk. Moreover, SWFs can focus a percentage of the fund on the growth potential of basic needs such as water, food, health, education, the environment, and mobile ICT. This “bottom of the pyramid” approach secures and stabilizes the investment environment for the future and supports the greater social good.

Mr. Albrecht Graf Matuschka, Chairman of Matuschka Gruppe, Germany

14:30 – 16:00

PLENARY [TRENDSETTERS]

Selected Project Showcasing

Muslim Philanthropy Digital Library - Ms. Sherine El Taraboulsi, Egypt

Made in Fez - Mr. Tarik Yousif, Netherlands

Madinah Institute for Leadership & Entrepreneurship - Dr. M. Mustafa Mahmoud, Saudi Arabia

Goodgate - Mr. Masood Razaq, United Arab Emirates

Faith Matters - Mr. Fiyaz Mughal, United Kingdom

HeroRATs - Mr. Bart Weetjens, Belgium

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Council of Islamic Organizations of Greater Chicago - Dr. Zaher Sahloul, United States

Afghan Institute of Learning (AIL) – Dr. Sakena Yaqoobi

NAYA JEEVAN - Dr. Asher Hasan, Pakistan

16:00 - 16:15

COFFEE

16:15 – 17:30

CLOSING PLENARY [THE ROAD AHEAD]

What Strategic Philanthropy can do for Conflict Ravaged Communities?

In the midst of conflict, philanthropic institutions can make important contributions to peace and development. Philanthropy often engages in conflict resolution activities, but can philanthropic institutions go further to address both the root causes and subsequent effects of the conflict? How can philanthropy help move communities to utilize aid better and to prevent dependency? How can philanthropy support capacity-building and increase self-sustainability? In what ways can philanthropy help communities meet their long-term social needs and prevent future conflicts?

Opening Remarks by Closing Plenary Chair

Ambassador Atta Elmanan Bakhit, Assistant Secretary General of OIC Humanitarian Affairs

Guest Remarks

Dr. Sakena Yacoobi, President of the Afghan Institute of Learning, Afghanistan

Mr. Nejmi Sadikoglu, Chairman, Union of NGOs of Islamic World, Turkey

Mr. Omar Mahmoud, Chief Market Knowledge, UNICEF, Switzerland

Ms. Farah Al Attasi, Founder and President of the Arab Information & Resource Center, USA

Dr. Omar Kassoli, Trsutee, International Islamic Charitable Organization, Kuwait

Closing Keynote

Tan Sri Dr. Munir Majid, Chairman of Malaysian Airlines and Bank Muamalat Malaysia, Senior Fellow at LSE

Reporting from the Roundtables

4th Congress Declaration

Announcements and Note of Thanks - Dr. Tariq H. Cheema, President & CEO of WCMP

Friday, 25 March 2011

09:00 – 10:30

WCMP BUSINESS [CLOSED SESSIONS]

Global Hunger Project Meeting

Gender Equity Project Meeting

Board Meeting

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Rollback Malaria Partnerhsip
RS Foundation
Sabin Vaccine Institute
Schwab Foundation for Social Entrepreneurship
Seccocon
Sharjah Business Women Council
Sightsavers Middle East
Sister Clara Muhammed Schools Consortium
Square Institute for Strategic Thinking
The Society of Majid Bin Abdulaziz for Dvlp
True North FZE
UNDP
UNHCR
UNICEF
Union of NGOs of Islamic World
United Nations
United Nations Alliance of Civilizations
Universal Education Foundtaion
University of Durham
USAID
VSO UK
WAFI Corp
WAMY
WCMP
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Mohamed Abdel-Kader

Mohamed Abdel-Kader is the associate director of development for the Edmund A. Walsh School of Foreign Service at Georgetown University where he focuses on major gift philanthropy. Mohamed has also led fundraising for a neuroscience institute at George Mason University and worked to set international strategy for partnerships in Asia, Europe, the Middle East, and Africa. He has taught university courses on intercultural communication and has trained clients on cultural competency. Mohamed also consults with organizations on cultural competency in international philanthropy. He has advised non-profit organizations on fundraising from Arab and Muslim constituencies and has consulted with hospitals engaging grateful patients in the Middle East. He holds a B.A. from Clemson University, a Master's in Higher Education Administration from Vanderbilt University, and is currently an Executive MBA candidate at Georgetown University's McDonough School of Organization

Muna AbuSulayman

Muna currently serves as the secretary general of The Alwaleed Bin Talal Kingdom Foundation (ABTF), and is one of the Arab world's leading media personalities and the first Saudi UNDP Goodwill Ambassador. Due to her diverse international work experience Muna has expertise in critical fields of education, international aid and development, management, and media. She has also recently launched her eponymous fashion label in the United States and KSA.

Muna has received the following awards and commendations: No. 21 on the 100 Most Influential Arab Women (2011), one of the Most Influential Arabs in the world (2010); Colin-Morely Award for Philanthropy (2010); one of the 500 most Influential Muslims in the World (2009, 2010); one of 50 most influential people in the Middle East (2009); Young Presidents Organization (2009); Yale World Fellow (2009); Distinguished Arab Woman Award by The Arab Women's Studies Center (2009); Aspen Institute Middle East Fellow 2008; Young Global Leader by World Economic Forum (2007); UNDP Goodwill Ambassador KSA (2007-2010)

As ABTF secretary general, Muna developed and implemented the mission, vision, operations, and oversees grant disbursement teams for Poverty Alleviation (KSA, Africa, ASEAN, MENA regions, to identify and fund innovative programs for balanced economic growth in developing countries, to fund immediate and long-term reconstruction efforts in disaster areas, and to support research, economic revitalization programs and intellectual and legal discourse on women issues) and for Islam/West Dialogue (to bridge the gap between the East and West through top academic university centers and organizations).

Habib Ahmed

Habib Ahmed holds the Sharjah Chair in Islamic Law and Finance at the University of Durham, United Kingdom. Prior to holding this post he worked at the National Commercial Bank and Islamic Research and Training Institute in Saudi Arabia. He is author and editor of numerous articles and books in Islamic economics and finance.

Farah Al Atassi

Farah is founder and president of the Arab Information & Resource Center in Washington, DC, and the owner of Zenobia Lounge: the first Multicultural Café and Bookshop about the Arab & Muslim worlds in United States. Farah is also the executive director of American Arab Communication & Translation Center (ACT) which provides all kinds of translations, language services, research, media monitoring, strategic assessment and analysis to both U.S and Arab governments and corporations. Farah writes and appears frequently on Arab and American media discussing Middle Eastern issues and the U.S relations with Arab and Muslim worlds. She is the author of many publications in Arabic and English and published a collection of short stories entitled The Mask.

Nadeem Al-Duaij

Nadeem Al-Duaij is co-founder & chairman of the Kuwait Health Initiative, a nonprofit dedicated to health policy research. Nadeem is also an instructor at Harvard Medical School and visiting scholar at Brandeis University's Institute for Global Health & Development. He is certified by the American Board of Emergency Medicine and has completed a fellowship in medical toxicology at Children's Hospital Boston. Nadeem is a practicing emergency physician and medical toxicologist at Cambridge Health Alliance and Children's Hospital Boston, both Harvard-affiliated institutions. He holds an interest in health sector reform, health inequities in the Gulf States, and systems development in public health, emergency medicine and medical toxicology. Nadeem is a graduate of the Université de Genève Faculty of Medicine and also holds a Master of Public Health (MPH) degree from the Harvard School of Public Health with a concentration in global health policy.

Abdalla A. Alnajjar

Abdalla is the president of the Arab Science and Technology Foundation (ASTF). He also serves as a member of Consultative Council of Sharjah (Emirate Parliament, since 2007). He holds a Ph.D in Physics from the University of Durham, United Kingdom. Abdalla works on utilizing science and technology to bring socio-economic development to the Arab region. Along this line, he organized and chaired more than 100 regional and international scientific events. He has developed and lead Arab field initiatives in such areas as engagement of Iraqi scientific community, empowerment of women in science and technology, commercialization of research and development output. In addition to launching six specialized networks, he actively participated in development of critical reports about science and technology in the region, including: Building a Knowledge Society (Brookings, 2008), Arab Human Development Report (UNDP, 2003) and Science and

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Technology Priorities of Iraqi Scientific Community (ASTF, 2004). He has also published 31 scientific papers in international journals and conferences.

Iqbal Noor Ali

Iqbal is a senior advisor for the Aga Khan Development Network (AKDN) in the United States. He has been with AKDN since 1979, having started with the AKDN Industrial Promotion Services in Canada, where his responsibilities included helping recent immigrants to North America start their own businesses. Iqbal then served as the chief executive officer of Aga Khan Foundation USA from 1984 through 2009, and was subsequently appointed to the newly created position of senior advisor at AKDN. In this role, he works with all nine agencies of the Aga Khan Development Network to facilitate strategic partnerships internationally. As CEO of Aga Khan Foundation USA, he worked closely with the development community in the United States, having served on the boards and committees of various organizations such as InterAction, the Council on Foundations, the Independent Sector, and the Advisory Committee on Voluntary Foreign Assistance (ACVFA).

Turki Bin Talal Bin AbdulAziz Al Saud

H.R.H. Prince Turki Bin Talal Bin AbdulAziz Al Saud is the Personal Representative of H.R.H Prince Talal Bin AbdulAziz, and the chairman of the Board of Trustees, Mentor Arabia Foundation for drug prevention. He is a member of the Board of Trustees of the Mentor International Foundation for drug prevention. He also holds the rank of Lieutenant Colonel Pilot - Army Aviation at the Royal Saudi Land Forces. In addition to that, he serves as the Chairman of the steering committees to implement H.R.H Prince Talal's Initiatives to "Support the Palestinian people", and to empower the "Iraqi Civil Society". Moreover, he is a member of the Young Arab leaders Organization.

Turki Bin Talal Bin AbdulAziz Al Saud holds a Bachelors degree in political science. Moreover, he attended the Royal Military Academy "Sandhurst" and the Army Aviation Academy in the United States of America. In addition, he participated in different humanitarian and developmental activities and events on both regional and international fronts.

Aisha bint Faleh bin Nasser Al-Thani

H.E. Dr. Sheikha Aisha bint Faleh bin Nasser Al-Thani is a member of Qatar Supreme Education Council, the Council is responsible for mapping out the educational strategy in the country. She is also a member of the board of directors of Zaytuna College in the United States and sits on the board of directors of Reach Out to Asia, a charity initiative founded by H. E. Sheikha Al Mayassa bint Hamad Al Thani to support schools in different Asian countries. She is also the chair of the board of patrons of the World Congress of Muslim Philanthropists. WCMP is a global network of donors, foundations, and socially responsive corporations established to advance effective and accountable giving. Aisha is the chair person and founder of Al Faleh Group, a company which provides educational products and services of the highest quality. Aisha was cited in the book The 500 Most Influential Muslims in the World released by Georgetown University's Center for Muslim-Christian Understanding and the Royal Islamic Strategic Centre in Jordan. Aisha has a bachelor in education and a bachelor in English literature, as well as a master in business administration from the University of Hull and a doctorate from Cass Business School in the United Kingdom in the area of corporate governance.

Abdulaziz Othman Altwajiri

H.E. Dr. Abdulaziz Othman Altwajiri is a Saudi Arabian author and lecturer who has served at various posts including Executive Director of "Islam Today", an Islamic academic journal published in Arabic, English and French; and "AL JAMIA" Journal published by the Federation of the Universities of the Islamic World. Abdulaziz was director general of the Islamic Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization –ISESCO, served as secretary general of the Federation of the Universities of the Islamic World, was a member of the Royal Al-Albait Institute for Islamic Thought, Jordan, of the advisory committee of the Arab-Islamic Civilization Encyclopedia, of the World Islamic Forum for Dialogue, of the board of trustees of the Arab-European Centre for Studies in Paris, of the Arab Thought Forum in Amman, of the scientific committee of Prince Abdulmuhsin Bin Jallawi Center for Research & Islamic Studies Sharjah, of the Council of the 100 Leaders (affiliated to the World Economic Forum), and of the general assembly of the World Academy for Bringing Muslim Madhahib Closer Together, Tehran.

He has served as a trustee of the Islamic University in Niger, the Islamic University in Uganda, the Islamic University in Pakistan, the Islamic University in Bangladesh, the Islamic Conference Youth Forum for Dialogue and Cooperation, the Open University of Islamic Civilization in Beirut, and the Center for Muslim Contribution to Civilization in Doha.

Dian Alyan

Dian Alyan is a marketing executive with ten years of experience building global brands for Procter Gamble. She has successfully implemented her management expertise in defining the road map to building an efficient and 100% volunteer run organization. She was able to mobilize a large group of talented individuals to work for a noble cause: helping orphans. Through GiveLight Foundation in the United States, her dream is to represent so many great things about Islam in America. She is frequently invited to speak about her work at many institutions. Over the past five years, she has delivered numerous presentations in major corporations such as Apple, Google, eBay as well as Stanford University, and hundreds of schools in the Bay Area. She received Women of the Year Award from Senator Alquist in 2005 and Humanitarian Award from P&G Alumni in 2009.

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Tom Arnold,

Tom Arnold is the CEO of Concern Worldwide, Ireland, and a leading advocate for greater national and international efforts to fight and defeat hunger. He has extensive experience in food and agriculture policy at governmental and non-governmental level. He served on the UN Millennium Project Hunger Task Force (2003-05) and on the Irish Government Hunger Task Force (2007-08). He is a member of the Consortium Board for the Consultative Group for International Agricultural Research (CGIAR), charged with leading the reform of the international agricultural research system. He was chair of the European Food Security Group, a network of 40 European NGOs working on food security issues (2005-2010). Before joining Concern Worldwide in 2001, Tom was assistant secretary general of the Irish Department of Agriculture and Food. He was chair of the OECD Committee of Agriculture (1993-98) and the OECD Working Group on Agriculture Policies and Markets (1990-93).

Atta Elmanan Bakhit

Assistant secretary general of Organization of Islamic Conference, Humanitarian Affairs.

Jamal Barzinji

Dr. Jamal al-Barzinji is a founding member, a trustee and vice-president for Research & Publications of the International Institute of Islamic Thought (IIIT). He has over forty years of progressive experience in development and leadership of diverse organizations (business, educational, think-tanks, political and charitable), such as Mar-Jac Poultry, Safa Trust, Amana Mutual Funds, SAAR Foundation, Bank Islam Malaysia, dean of School of Islamic Revealed Knowledge and Social Sciences of International Islamic University Malaysia, Nada International, and North American Islamic Trust (NAIT). He served as president of the Muslim Students Association of the United States and Canada and as a member of the MSA and the Majlis Al-Shura of The Islamic Society of North America (ISNA). He is a founding member of International Charitable Foundation (KWT), the Association of Muslim Social Scientists (AMSS), and the Association of Muslim Scientists & Engineers (AMSE). Jamal served as advisor and consultant to various educational, charitable and professional organizations. He delivered numerous lectures and wrote articles on various topics on Islamic thought, banking, Islamic movements, current affairs, education and Islamic presence in the United States and Europe. Jamal holds a Ph.D and M.Sc. in chemical engineering, with a minor in management from Louisiana State University, United States, and a B.Sc. in chemical engineering and fuel technology from the University of Sheffield, England.

Jean-Christophe Bas

Jean-Christophe serves as senior advisor for strategic development and partnerships at the United Nations Alliance of Civilizations based in New York. He is the author of L'Europe A La Carte, a book of reflections on Europe published in November 2009 at the occasion of the 20th anniversary of the fall of the Berlin wall, with contributions of the UN Secretary General, the Secretary General of the League of Arab States, the CEO of Euronews and seventy prominent leaders from around the World. From 1999 to 2008, Jean-Christophe served as development policy dialogue manager at the World Bank and set up innovative mechanisms of strategic dialogue on Development and Poverty eradication between the World Bank and key constituencies around the World. In this capacity, he was instrumental in the creation of the Parliamentary Network on the World Bank, an independent organization of approximately 2000 legislators from 100 countries around the world; the Researchers Alliance for Development, that brings together hundreds of research Institutions from University, trade unions, private banks, think tanks and NGOs; and the Youth, Development and Peace Network, an organization representing hundreds of millions Youth around the World. He is a former executive director of the Aspen Institute in France (1994-1999), chaired at that time by the former French Prime Minister Raymond Barre; he is now serving as vice chairman of the advisory Board of Aspen Institute in France. He was a professor of Political Sciences at the Institut d'Etudes Politiques in Lyon and a vice-president of the European Fund for the Freedom of Expression. He has served as head of staff of the president of the Committee on External Economic Relations (1984-86) at the European Parliament, and secretary general of the French branch of the E P P (1986-1989) at the European Parliament. He has been elected in 1989 as city counselor in Besançon, capital of Franche Comte Region.

Patrick Bergin

Patrick Bergin is the chief executive officer of the African Wildlife Foundation (AWF). Headquartered in Nairobi, Kenya, AWF is evolving into a leading Pan-African conservation and development organization. AWF has innovative large landscape programs around the continent that link the conservation of wildlife and wilderness to human benefit and economic development in Africa.

Alberto G. Brugnoli

Alberto, a former director with Merrill Lynch Bank, is an independent Islamic finance adviser and a consultant in inclusive financial sector development. His practice focuses on the creation of wealth through the full implementation of the 'social capital' and 'territorial added value' concepts. He is the founder and chairman of the board of ASSAIF. In the mid 1980's he pioneered some of the firsts murabaha transactions and participatory investment schemes (mudharaba) ever done in Europe. In 1997 he released "Pilot Project Genoardo," a seminal study for the establishment of a Mediterranean development bank based on Shariah compliant principles. In 2004-2007 he authored and managed on behalf of the European Commission "New Life Styles" a ground-breaking projects on ethical and social finance. Alberto regularly Chairs some of the major Islamic finance forums worldwide and gives presentations in Italian, French, English and Arabic.

Reuben Buttigieg

Reuben is the founder and managing director of Erremme Business Advisors (EBA), an accountancy, business and management consultancy. His areas of expertise include corporate finance and M&A, due diligence and assurance, tax, internal audit and Islamic finance. Reuben is often sought by large financial institutions, both in Malta and overseas, to offer consultancy services to their senior management. Reuben is a fellow chartered certified accountant and holds a Master of Business Administration from Warwick Business School. Reuben has also

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studied successfully the Maltese Institute of Finance Services Practitioners in Trusts Law and Management. Reuben is Director of RBG Fiduciary Services Limited which is a licensed Trustee by the Malta Financial Services Authority (MFSA).

Amongst his many commitments as head of EBA, Reuben is also the chairperson of the Malta Institute of Management (MIM) Training and Development Limited, a not-for-profit professional body for persons concerned with and involved in management. MIM's mission statement is "to enhance the profession of management in Malta within a broad international framework focusing on the competence and effectiveness of managers." Furthermore, Reuben is chair of the Investment Committee of the MIM. Reuben has also received extensive experience in the fields of corporate finance, accounting, audit and tax whilst working at Ernst and Young (in Malta and Milan) and at KPMG (Malta).

Reuben has been actively involved in the voluntary sector in Malta, insofar as he was chosen to sit on the Council for the Voluntary Sector upon its inception. During the consultation process Reuben provided various feedback on the draft bill that led to the Voluntary Organisations Act. Until today he is involved in various voluntary organisations and non-governmental organisations.

Reuben offers consultancy services to financial institutions wishing to set up Islamic finance windows. He was the pioneer in Malta on Islamic finance and he was crucial in the political sphere taking on board Islamic finance in Malta and the MFSA issuing the first Shariah Guidance note. Reuben has also advised Islamic financial institutions on acquiring banking and financial services presence in EU jurisdictions. Amongst other areas of Islamic finance advisory Reuben was crucial in the setting up of Islamic trusts in Malta.

Jimmy Carter

Jimmy Carter served as president of the United States from 1977 to 1981. His administration negotiated the Panama Canal treaties, the Camp David Accords, the treaty of peace between Egypt and Israel, the SALT II treaty with the Soviet Union, and the establishment of U.S. diplomatic relations with the People's Republic of China. He championed human rights throughout the world. His domestic achievements included a comprehensive energy program conducted by a new Department of Energy; the deregulation of energy, transportation, communications, and finance; innovative educational programs under a new Department of Education; and major environmental protection legislation that included a doubling of the size of the national park system.

In partnership with Emory University in Atlanta, Georgia, President Carter and his wife, Rosalynn, founded The Carter Center in 1982, and continue to provide leadership. A not-for-profit nongovernmental organization, the Center is guided by a fundamental commitment to human rights and the alleviation of human suffering. It seeks to prevent and resolve conflicts; enhance freedom and democracy, prevent disease; improve mental health care; and teach farmers in developing nations to increase crop production. President Carter is University Distinguished Professor at Emory University and the author of twenty-five books. In 2002, he was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize "for his decades of untiring effort to find peaceful solutions to international conflicts, to advance democracy and human rights, and to promote economic and social development."

Jimmy and Rosalynn Carter live in Plains, Georgia, where they were born. They have three sons, one daughter, nine grandsons, three granddaughters, two great-grandsons and four great-granddaughters.

Rama Chakaki

Rama Chakaki is the co-founder and CEO of Baraka Ventures, a Dubai-based organization that fosters the development of sustainable businesses in the Middle East. Baraka, established to address this pressing need in the region, is building and supporting social ventures and sustainable businesses with a triple bottom line (people, planet, profit), through an innovative, collaborative and participatory framework. Rama's role at Baraka along with her past experience has made her a highly competent spokesperson on launching startups, corporate social responsibility, social and environmental entrepreneurship.

Prior to Baraka, Rama advised business executives on strategy development and implementation in service industries in the MENA region. Before moving to the UAE, Rama held management and executive positions in United States-based telecom, education, and consulting firms for a career spanning 20 years. Her main interest lies in identifying and reviving sustainable living traditions in the region and building connections between members of regional urban communities to enhance sustainable development. Rama is currently leading the regional expansion of zeedna, a social media publishing platform used by civil society, social entrepreneurs and commercial enterprise to connect, communicate and collaborate online. Rama holds a master's degree in engineering management and an EE&CS degree from George Washington University.

Azad Chalikuzhi

Azad Chalikuzhi, PhD., is a management consultant, trainer and public speaker who specializes in the areas of strategy program and project management. Currently he works as an advisor to the president of Central Informatics Organization (Bahrain). He has over 15 years professional experience in rendering his expertise to government, non-governmental and private organizations that include Ministry of Interior (Qatar), Central Informatics Organization (Bahrain), Project Management Institute Arabian Gulf Chapter (PMI-AGC), Salbhavana Word School (India), Human Welfare Foundation (India) and Center for Information and Guidance (India) etc. He has taught management courses in Bahrain University and Strathclyde University MBA Program run by British Council Bahrain. He has also conducted numerous training programs in the area of strategy, program and project management and rendered his consulting services to many private organizations. He has knowledge of international work cultures by virtue of working in 4 countries in the Middle East and in India and having traveled to more than 18 countries. Azad has obtained his Ph.D in strategy, program and project management, at Skema Business School in France. He has a special interest in Islamic economics, hence he chose zakat management as his topic of research for his Ph.D. To continue his academic pursuit he is currently supervising two Ph.D students at Arab Open University (Bahrain). In addition to his MBA he also has Project Management Professional (PMP) and Program Management Professional (PgMP) certifications from Project Management Institute. As member of Toastmasters International, he has won many prizes and awards in public speaking and has obtained Competent Communicator (CC) and Advanced Communicator (AC) accreditations from Toastmasters.

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Tariq H. Cheema

Tariq Cheema is a renowned social innovator, philanthropist and physician who has devoted his life to making world a peaceful, equitable, and sustainable place for all. He is the founder and CEO of the World Congress of Muslim Philanthropists, a global network of affluent individuals, foundations, and socially responsible corporations established to promote effective and accountable giving. He received his M.D. from the University of Istanbul, and earned a Certificate of Advanced Study in Philanthropy at Loyola University Chicago. He is one of the Rockefeller Foundation's prestigious Next Generation Leadership Fellows. His professional experience lies in the areas of strategic philanthropy, corporate giving, nonprofit governance and crisis management. Dr. Cheema ranks among the 500 most influential Muslims impacting the world today.

Dr. Cheema has co-founded several notable initiatives such as Doctors Worldwide, a disaster response agency; Network of Islamic Activists Against Tobacco (NIAAT), a Geneva-based advocacy group formed to seek the support of UN member states for WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control; Diversity Forums, a project to encourage dialogue and understanding across critical social divides; Indo-Pak Peace Network, a people-to-people movement to promote goodwill among the two rival nuclear nations; and National Network for Diaspora Giving, educating U.S. ethnic communities on responsible cross-border giving.

Dr. Cheema is the former Associate Director of the Islamic Medical Association of North America (IMANA) and the former Executive Director of the Association of Physicians of Pakistani-descent of North America (APPNA). In addition, he is the principal shareholder of Southeast Business Group (SBG), a unique commercial and industrial coalition dedicated to promote commerce mainly among the emerging markets of Asia and Africa. He has received numerous public recognitions including the 2004 Northwestern University's Kellogg Entrepreneurship Award, 2004 Asian American Coalition of Chicago Award, 2005 YMCA South Asia Peace Award, and 2010 Louis T. Delgado Social Justice in Philanthropy Award.

Nicholas Colloff

Nicholas Colloff is director of strategy and innovation at Oxfam GB since August 2009 and has been working on expanding Oxfam networks with traditional aid actors, governments, academia, new philanthropists and the private sectors, to develop external intelligence and focus the attention on high potential new ideas and practices emerging. He is also working on bringing innovative practice into Oxfam, such as low carbon development, renewable energy and finance. Nicholas has vast experience of working in challenging positions: country director of the Russian Federation with Oxfam GB; consultant in organizational development and charity management and regional director, Eastern Europe/CIS with Opportunity International Network; director, country director, FYR of Macedonia with Opportunity International Network; director, World in Need and Christian Initiative Trust. Nicholas has a BA in Theology and Philosophy, University of London and his interests include sailing, hill walking, cooking, social history, early music and literature.

Awa Marie Coll-Seck

Awa Marie Coll-Seck is executive director of the Roll Back Malaria (RBM) Partnership. RBM is a global partnership founded in 1998 by WHO, UNDP, UNICEF and the World Bank, with the goal of halving the world's malaria burden by 2010. Prior to this appointment, Awa Marie was minister of health of the Republic of Senegal (2001-2003). As minister of health, she initiated far-reaching reform of the health sector in Senegal and engaged a wide range of government, civil society and private sector partners in the implementation and expansion of public health programs. She mobilized strong political commitment within her country for health to be rightly recognized as key to economic and social development, and she successfully mobilized financial resources both domestically and from bilateral and multilateral international donors.

From 1996 to 2001, Awa Marie served as a director at the Joint United Nations Program for HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS) at its headquarters in Geneva, Switzerland. Utilizing her skills and experience in policy formulation and scientific research, Awa Marie led the Department of Policy, Strategy and Research, the largest department within UNAIDS consisting of a diverse group of physicians, nurses, researchers, and other international policy and technical experts "best practice" guidance to assist governments and civil society in mounting their national and community responses to the global AIDS epidemic. Awa Marie was subsequently named director of the UNAIDS Department of Country and Regional Support, where she coordinated and mobilized the UN system response to the epidemic while supervising UNAIDS staff serving at four regional offices and at country level offices throughout Africa, Asia, Eastern and Central Europe, and Latin America and the Caribbean.

Born in 1951 in Dakar, Senegal, Awa Marie has been awarded numerous professional and academic honours, including the Chevalier de l'Ordre du Mérite de la République Française, Chevalier des Palmes Académiques Françaises, Officier de l'Ordre du Mérite Sénégalais and Chevalier de l'Ordre du Mérite du Burkina Faso. She was elected as chairperson of Commission B of the 2002 World Health Assembly and as president of the Assembly of the Ministries of Health of the West African Health Organization (WAHO, 2002-2003) and is currently a member of the prestigious Academy of Sciences and Technologies of Senegal. After earning a degree in medicine in 1978 from the University of Dakar, she served for nearly twenty years as a specialist in infectious diseases in leading hospitals in Dakar, Senegal and Lyon, France. In 1989, she was appointed professor of medicine and infectious diseases at the University of Dakar and Chief of Service for Infectious Diseases at the University Hospital in Dakar.

Awa Marie is the author of over 150 scientific publications and communications on diverse subjects - including malaria, measles, meningitis, tetanus, typhoid, tuberculosis, HIV/AIDS and cardio-vascular diseases - is a member of over 20 professional societies and organizations, and

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is fluent in French, English and her native Wolof, with a working knowledge of Spanish. In addition to her distinguished professional and academic career, Awa Marie is married and the mother of four children.

Amir A. Dossal

Amir Dossal is founder of the Global Partnerships Forum, a new global initiative to address economic and social challenges through innovative partnerships. Amir is also co-initiator of the Pearl Initiative, which promotes transparency and accountability in the Gulf Region. He is also special representative of the Secretary-General of the International Telecommunication Union for Global Partnerships.

Until very recently, Amir was the United Nations' chief liaison for partnerships. He developed strategic alliances with governments, corporations, foundations and philanthropists to achieve the Millennium Development Goals. One of Amir's many responsibilities was as the UN's representative for the partnership with media mogul Ted Turner's \$1 billion donation, through the UN Foundation, supporting over 450 programs and projects for women and children's health; population; climate change; and biodiversity. This partnership attracted social investments of over \$560 million from other donors and partners, such as American Red Cross, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, Coca-Cola, Rockefeller Foundation, Rotary International etc. In addition, Amir oversaw management of the UN Democracy Fund, which he established in 2005, to strengthen institutions and enhance democratic governance in new or restored democracies.

Amir works globally across sectors, including health, education, environment, peace, security and human rights. He has built strong links with governments, multilateral agencies, business group, foundations and networks, such as the Arab Foundations Forum, Business Council for International Understanding, Chambers of Commerce, China World Peace Foundation, Committee Encouraging Corporate Philanthropy, Commonwealth Business Council, European Foundation Centre, Foreign Policy Association, IDP Foundation, Institute of Chartered Accountants in England & Wales, LTB Foundation, NEPAD Business Group, Rockefeller Brothers Fund, The Synergos Institute, United Nations Associations, United States Council for International Business, United States Department of State, and World Congress of Muslim Philanthropists. Amir has spearheaded the UN's engagement with leaders in the finance, technology and pharmaceutical sectors, including 3Com, BT, Cisco, Ericsson, Google, GSK, Merck, Microsoft, Nestle, Novartis, Pfizer, Standard Chartered Bank, Telefonica, Vodafone, and Walmart. He also works with high-profile personalities to support humanitarian causes, such as the Countess Sodes, Cherie Blair, Geena Davis, the Duchess of York, Petra Nĕmcová, Julia Ormond, Joan Rivers, Russell Simmons, Joss Stone, Christy Turlington Burns, and others.

Amir is a Chartered Accountant (FCA) trained with Deloitte, Haskins & Sells, London in 1975. Prior to joining the United Nations, he worked in business for over 15 years. He has lived and worked in Asia, the Caribbean, Europe, Middle East, and North America. Amir regularly undertakes speaking engagements, and serves on several non-profit boards. He is married to Tas, and they have one son, Zecki.

Bashir Omar Mohamed Fadlallah

Dr. Bashir Omar Mohamed Fadlallah is currently the Director of the Islamic Solidarity Fund for Development (ISFD), which is a US\$10 billion targeted Capital Fund, created by an Extra Ordinary Summit of OIC under the umbrella of the Islamic Development Bank with the objective of alleviating poverty and fighting prevalent diseases in IDB 56 Member countries. Prior to this he was Policy Advisor pertaining to Operations Planning and Coordination to the Vice President (Operations) as well as Advisor-in-Charge of the Business Development Department in the Islamic Development Bank.

Dr Fadlallah served as Minister of Finance and Economic Planning, Minister of Culture and Information and Spokesman and Minister of Energy and Mining for the Republic of Sudan for a number of years. He has also been Chairman and Board Member of several Sudanese (and other International) Commercial Banks and Companies. For the last 10 years, Dr Fadlallah has been a Member of the Permanent Group of Eminent Personalities advising the Central Bank of Sudan.

Dr Fadlallah's academic career started as Lecturer and Professor in Macroeconomics, Mathematics and International Development Finance. His teaching career covered Manchester University, Oxford University, London School of Economics, Khartoum University, Hamburg University and Institute of Social Sciences in the Hague, Netherlands. He also served as Dean, Faculty of Economic and Social Studies, University of Khartoum. Dr Bashir has attended and contributed to more than 400 Academic Conferences, Symposia, Workshops, Seminars and meetings globally. Dr Fadlallah is married with two sons and two daughters.

James Fierro

James Fierro is an international businessman and social entrepreneur. He is currently the founder and chief executive officer of Recipco Holdings Ltd., a social enterprise which is introducing an innovative online marketplace, trading platform and economic system to facilitate trade of the world's abundance of unused capacity so that it can be more fully utilized to increase trade, improve economic conditions and promote social development in a more fair, just and inclusive way.

James founded HomeGrocer.com, the first company in the world to provide fully integrated internet grocery shopping, warehouse and delivery services. HomeGrocer was sold 3 years later in a merger transaction for approximately \$1.2 Billion.

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James is also the managing partner of Venture Resources Ltd., an organization involved in the identification, development and financing of emerging growth companies. He has over 30 years experience as the founder and CEO to a range of start-up ventures and is the visionary behind industry innovators in RFID technology, Strategic Planning, Event Marketing, Internet Commerce, Electronic Trading Systems, Online Travel and Life Safety. He currently serves as Executive Chairman of ARA Safety Inc. and COL.com Corporation.

James began his career as a planning and business strategist, consulting to leading companies in the packaged goods sector including Kraft General Foods, H.J. Heinz, Nabisco, Nestle and Campbell Soup. Mr. Fierro was a long-standing active member of the Young Entrepreneurs Organization ("YEO" now "EO") and served as both the President of the Vancouver Chapter and a member of its Board of Directors. He has been active in the non-profit sector including serving on the Board of Digital Opportunities Trust and is currently the founder of Haiti.com, a nonprofit effort dedicated to helping rebuild a sustainable Haiti.

Anjum Riyazul Haque

As the executive director of the Pakistan Center for Philanthropy, Anjum comes with an extensive experience in the development sector starting with education and encompassing sector and intersectional expertise in culture, social and human sciences, communication and information, and the natural sciences, exploring their intrinsic relationship with poverty alleviation, capacity building, advocacy and general service to marginalized population segments. Working with the United Nations system and the government of Pakistan, in various capacities, has equipped her to be able to look at indigenous social development through a philanthropic lens, having worked in fund mobilization and forging partnerships at both the national and international levels.

Michael Hastings, Lord Hastings of Scarisbrick

Michael Hastings is the global head of citizenship and diversity with KPMG - leading both areas of strategy for KPMG International working directly to kpmg's international chairman Tim Flynn and CEO Mike Wareing. Previously he was the BBC's first head of corporate social responsibility. Michael is a non-executive director for British Telecom on BT's Board for Responsible and Sustainable Business. He is also a trustee of the Vodafone Group Foundation and a member of the Council of the Overseas Development Institute. Michael represents KPMG International on the Global Corporate Citizenship International Committee of the World Economic Forum and also serves on the oversight board for SIFE - Students in Free Enterprise. Michael is also a member of the WBCSD - World Business Council on Sustainable Development representing KPMG and in 2009 he became a member of the World Economic Forum's Global Council on Diversity and Talent. Michael is a board member of the International Business Leaders Forum and in the USA, he is also a member of KPMG's US Diversity Board. He was also a former commissioner (1993 - 2001) with the Commission for Racial Equality and served for nine years advising on race relations in the UK. Michael was also founding chairman of Childnet International and of SpringBoard for Children, which focuses on literacy and education development, where he remains a patron and he is also a patron of ToyBOX, a charity working with street children in Latin America and also as patron to ZANE, a Zimbabwe relief and aid organisation. In 2005, Michael received the UNICEF award from the then UK Chancellor Gordon Brown MP and Lord David Puttnam, Chairman of UNICEF for his 'outstanding contribution to understanding and effecting solutions for Africa's children.' Michael was listed in the 100 most influential Black people in the UK 2008 - an evaluation process sponsored by JP Morgan. In the House of Lords, Michael serves as a member of the Communications Select Committee.

Previously, Michael headed up the BBC's Political and Public Affairs departments in Westminster, where he latterly developed the BBC's Community Affairs function. His background is in journalism, reporting and presenting programmes for ITV and the BBC and prior to that working on strategy and operations with the Downing Street Policy Unit covering race and urban policy, starting his career in education and community initiatives having graduated in theology and education in 1980. He has successfully completed business education programmes at Wharton and Columbia business schools in the USA.

El Mostafa Higazy

El Mostafa brings to bear 23 years of comprehensive experience in strategic advisory, governance advocacy, investment management, organizational psychology and institutional sustainable development. As the founder, president and CEO of ACME Corp Global, Egypt, a strategic advisory firm and of SQUARE Institute for Strategic Thinking, an advocacy think tank, El Mostafa established the TCT School of Thought and the ACME Approach for sustainable development both catering for a unique methodology of strategic emergence and development. Geographically, the expertise of El Mostafa covered North America, EU and the MENA region. The strategic advisory practice of ACME Corp caters for public and private sector, family businesses, semi-government organizations, NGOs and NPOs

Rashad Hussain

President Barack Obama announced the appointment of Rashad Hussain as special envoy to the Organization of the Islamic Conference (OIC) on February 13, 2010. The OIC is comprised of 56 nations and is the second largest international body after the UN. As special envoy to the OIC, Rashad seeks to deepen and expand the partnerships that the United States has pursued with Muslims around the world. Rashad has also served as deputy associate counsel to President Obama, focusing on national security, new media, and science and technology issues. Rashad worked with the national security staff in developing and pursuing the new beginning that President Obama outlined in his June 2009 address in Cairo, Egypt. Before joining the Obama administration, Rashad was a member of the legal staff for the Presidential Transition Team. Rashad previously served as a trial attorney at the U.S. Department of Justice. Earlier in his career, Rashad was a legislative assistant on the House Judiciary Committee, where he focused on national security-related issues.

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Rashad received his J.D. from Yale Law School, where he served as an editor of the Yale Law Journal. Upon graduation, he served as a law clerk to Damon J. Keith on the U.S. Court of Appeals. Rashad also earned his Master's degrees in public administration (Kennedy School of Government) and Arabic and Islamic Studies from Harvard University. He attended college at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. His academic writings have focused on national security, constitutional law, and civil liberties.

Abdulkareem Jama

Abdulkareem Jama is the minister of information, posts & telecommunications of the Transitional Federal Government. Prior to his current post, Minister Jama has been chief of staff and senior advisor to the president, an adjunct professor at DeVry University, president and board member of Dar Al-Hijrah Islamic Center, senior network engineer at the Congressional Quarterly Press; and chairman of the Somali American Peace Council.

Mohammad Jusuf Kalla

Mohammad Jusuf Kalla is a businessman, was the 10th vice-president of Indonesia and served chairman of the Golkar Party. Mohammad has also been active in various organizations, including the Indonesian Economics Graduates Association (ISEI) branch in Ujung Pandang, the Chamber of Commerce and Industry (KADIN), as trustee for three universities in Makassar, in developing the Al Markaz Mosque and as chairman of its Islamic centre. Mohammad returned to politics in 1987 when he was appointed to the People's Consultative Assembly as a regional representative for South Sulawesi until 1999. He has served as minister of Industry and Trade, Coordinating Minister of People's Welfare, and was instrumental in bringing to fruition a vice-presidential decree ordering work to begin on rehabilitating Aceh after the Indian Ocean Tsunami.

Munir Majid,

Munir Majid is a visiting senior fellow and head of the Southeast Asia International Affairs Programme at London School of Economics, International Affairs, Diplomacy and Strategy. Munir is the chairman of Malaysia Airlines and Bank Muamalat. Munir obtained a B.Sc (economics) and his Ph.D in international relations from the London School of Economic and Political Science. He taught in the Department of International Relations at the LSE from 1972-75. He worked for Daiwa Europe in the City from 1975-78. He was Group Editor of the New Straits Times (NST) in Malaysia, Executive Chairman of CIMB, now Southeast Asia leading investment bank and founder Executive Chairman of the Malaysian Securities Commission where he served from 1993-99. He wrote a regular column for the NST from 2001-04 and now for the Edge, Malaysia's leading business weekly, covering mainly contemporary economic and political issues. He was made an honorary fellow of the LSE in 2005.

Shahid Malik

In June 2007, UK Prime Minister Gordon Brown appointed Shahid as Minister for International Development, making him Britain's first Muslim minister. Over the next three years he went on to hold roles as justice minister, Home Office minister and minister for communities and local government. He served as the member of parliament for Dewsbury from 2005 until re-districting in 2010. Between 2000 and 2005 he served alongside Tony Blair as a member of the Labour Party's National Executive Committee (the first non-white person to be elected in this role).

Shahid was responsible for the UK's global aid programmes (apart from those in sub-saharan Africa). This role included the UK's largest country programmes in India, Afghanistan, Pakistan and Bangladesh as well as the Middle East and North Africa, the rest of Asia, South America and Europe. His role included being the UK minister responsible for humanitarian affairs, conflict and security operations. This role meant responsibility for overseeing the response to humanitarian emergencies both natural and man-made. It covered disasters such as cyclone Sidr in Bangladesh, cyclone Nargis in Burma and the Pakistan earthquake, as well as man-made challenges, which meant supporting the work in Afghanistan, Iraq as well as for example UNRWA in the Gaza. He signed the UK's first ten-year partnership agreement in the Middle East with the government of Yemen and developed a memorandum of understanding with the Islamic Development Bank. He also served as an observer to both Palestinian Parliamentary and Presidential elections. In terms of UK civil society he was responsible for the distribution of £120 million per year to small NGO's as well as large ones such as the CAFOD, Red Cross, Oxfam, Action Aid, Christian Aid etc. He launched the UK's youth volunteering schemes and others that linked the UK with the developing world and Co-Chaired the DFID/Trade Union Congress International Development Forum. In the global fight against poverty and disease Shahid has worked at the highest levels of government with Heads of State and Government Ministers across a diverse range of countries including: Bangladesh, Vietnam, Nepal, Yemen, Pakistan, Kosovo, Senegal, Somalia and Indonesia.

Natasha Matic

Natasha Matic has fifteen years of senior-level management, consulting, and entrepreneurship experience in nonprofit, public, and private sector organizations worldwide and currently serves as the strategy and program advisor for the King Khalid Foundation in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. Previously, Dr. Matic served as Chief of Party and Director at the Washington-based Academy for Educational Development (AED). Dr. Matic earned her Doctorate in International Economic and Political Studies from Boston University and holds a Certificate in Business Excellence from the Columbia Business School.

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Rabih F. Mattar

Rabih Mattar is a Developmental Economist with more than 18-years experience in the fields of Poverty alleviation, Microfinance and Projects' financing, in the Middle-East, Africa, central Asia and the Fareast. In the early nineties, he helped establishing & managing one of the first EU funded microfinance programmes in Lebanon, which later on was expanded to cover Syria, Jordan and Palestine.

In 1997, he joined the IDB as a Project Officer working on agriculture and rural development and microfinance in the Fareast and Central Asia. Between 2003 and 2005, he was economic advisor to the several Ministers of Economy & Trade & headed the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), at the Ministry of Economy & Trade in Lebanon. In 2006, he returned to IDB as Senior Portfolio Manager/Microfinance Team Leader working on microfinance, integrated rural development, food security and poverty alleviation related programmes within the Agriculture and Rural Development Department. He is currently the Manager of the Advocacy & Special Programmes Division at the Islamic Solidarity Fund for Development (ISFD), the Poverty Alleviation Arm of the Islamic Development Bank.

Mr. Abdinasir H. Moallin

Abdinasir H. Moallin graduated with a Bachelor of Arts (Journalism and English Literature) and also has an MA in Development Studies from the Institute of Development Studies, University of Mysore, Mysore city, Karnataka, India. He returned from India to Somalia in September 2007 and joined Concern Worldwide's Somalia program in December 2007 at a time when the humanitarian crisis in the country was at its peak. He has been the head of Concern Worldwide's humanitarian emergency program in Somalia for the past 18 months and a member of Concern Worldwide's country management team.

Charles Moore

Charles has served as executive director of the Committee Encouraging Corporate Philanthropy since the organization's founding in 1999. From 1994-1999, he was director of athletics at Cornell University. Prior to that, Charles was president and CEO of multinational manufacturing companies including Ransburg Corporation, Clevepak Corp., Allied Thermal (a subsidiary of Interpace Corporation), Lapp Insulator (a division of Interpace Corporation) and Lenape Forge (a division of Gulf+Western Industries). He also served as managing director of Peers & Co. (investment banking), CEO of Peers Management Resources, Inc. (management consulting) and vice chairman of Advisory Capital Partners, Inc. (investment advising).

Charles is currently governor of the National Art Museum of Sport, a former member of the President's Council on Physical Fitness and Sports, and a national board alumni member of the Smithsonian Institution. From 1992-2000, he was public sector director of the United States Olympic Committee (USOC) and chairman of that organization's audit committee. He has also served as chairman of the USOC's 2012 Bid City Evaluation Task Force.

Charles won a gold medal in the 400m hurdles in the 1952 Summer Olympics. He finished second in Sullivan Award balloting for top U.S. amateur athlete in 1952, and was selected as one of "100 Golden Olympians" in 1996. In 1984, Charles received the Herbert Adams Memorial Award for Advancement of American Sculpture. In 2008, CRO magazine elected him as Nonprofit & Nongovernmental Organization "CEO of the Year". In 2010, Moore received the United Nation's MDG Award for Business Community Leadership in Corporate Philanthropy in honor of his work advancing Global Partnerships.

He is a 1947 graduate of Mercersburg Academy and a 1951 BME graduate of Cornell University. He is married to Judith M. Moore, director of the Music Library at Saint Thomas Church Fifth Avenue in New York City. They have nine children and thirteen grandchildren.

Brigitte Mountain

Brigitte is the head of office for UNHCR, the UN refugee agency in Abu Dhabi. The office is the external relations hub for the GCC countries concentrating on government relations, communications and fundraising.

Zafar Mohammed

Zafar is an independent consultant with an MBA in finance, and an MS in accounting and information systems. He has worked with major United States-based oil and industrial corporations in different capacities. His main areas of responsibility have been in financial planning, controls and cash management. Zafar currently operates a small business, and has been living in Houston, Texas for the past 20 years.

Fiyaz Mughal

Fiyaz is the founder and director of a not for profit organization called Faith Matters which works on reducing extremism and developing platforms for discourse and interaction between Muslim, Sikh, Christian and Jewish communities in the United Kingdom and internationally. Fiyaz was previously a councilor in Haringey (2006-2010) and a councilor in Oxford (2002-2004). A previous deputy president of a mainstream political party in the United Kingdom, he was also appointed to be on the Working Group for Communities that was linked to the Extremism Task Force developed in 2005 after the 7/7 bombings. More recently, he has also been appointed as the advisor to the leader of the Liberal Democrats, Nick Clegg MP, on interfaith issues and preventing radicalization and extremism. Fiyaz was recently honored by Her Majesty the Queen and was bestowed with the Honor of the Order of the British Empire.

Arif Masood Naqvi

Arif Masood Naqvi is the founder, group chief executive officer, and vice chairman at Abraaj Capital. He started the firm in 2002. Arif also serves as the director at Osian's-Connoisseurs of Art Private Limited. He has 25 years of experience in banking, finance, and investments in

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the Middle East and Sub-Continent. Arif's track record in private equity is well-recognized and has participated in some landmark private equity deals done in the region to date, including the leveraged buyout of the Inchcape Group's Middle East businesses and Aramex. From 1990 to 1994, he was the vice president of Business Development at the Olayan Group, Saudi Arabia. Prior to this, Arif worked at American Express Bank in Pakistan, where he helped establish one of the country's first investment banks. He was also employed at Arthur Andersen & Company in London, where he began his career in 1982. Mr. Naqvi is the Chairman of all portfolio companies of Abraaj.

Arif is the chairman of the investment committee of the Sabre Abraaj Private Equity Fund and director of Arab Technical Construction Company. He is the chairman of BMA Asset Management and Aramex International Ltd., and is a member of the board of directors of Air Arabia, LLC since March 2007. Arif is the non-executive chairman of the Cupola Group, which he founded in 1994 and served as its chief executive officer. He serves on the advisory board of Emerging Markets Private Equity Association. Arif is a member of numerous think tanks and policy groups including the Arab Business Council, where he is the only member not of Arab origin and is a board member of the Pakistan Human Development Fund, the King Abdullah II Award for Youth Innovation and Achievement in Jordan, and the Dubai Government Education Endowment Fund in the UAE. Arif is a member of advisory council of Acumen Fund. He is also a member of the EMPEA board of directors, the IMD Foundation board, and the advisory board of the Columbia University Middle East Research Center. Arif has been designated a New Asian Leader by the World Economic Forum in 2003 to 2004.

He was recognized as one of the 50-most influential people in the private equity industry by Private Equity International (PEI) magazine in June 2007, and, in June 2008, one of the 50 people who will change the course of private equity. In 2006, he was awarded the highest civilian honor in Pakistan, Sitari-e-Imtiaz, by the republic's President. He was awarded the Vera Anstey Prize in 1982. Arif did his schooling at the Karachi Grammar School and his higher education at the London School of Economics, University of London, where he obtained honors in a B.Sc. in economics degree, specializing in economic institutions and planning.

Eric J. Novotny

Eric J. Novotny manages CRDF Global's five operating divisions and coordinates all program planning and execution. He brings to CRDF Global more than 20 years of combined experience in international high technology business partnerships, program development and administration. Previously, Eric was vice president of marketing at Lockheed Martin Corporation where he directed the company's ventures to channel Russian defense and space technologies into international markets for peaceful purposes. He has also served as a consultant to numerous government agencies and corporations forging international partnerships, negotiating technology transfer agreements and developing successful funding strategies. He was also vice president, Europe, for Hughes Electronics, based in Brussels, Belgium. Eric is presently an adjunct professor at The American University's School of International Service. He is a graduate of Georgetown University, where he received his Ph.D. in international relations, and of Templeton College, Oxford.

Peter O'Driscoll

Peter O'Driscoll became ActionAid USA's executive Director in May 2006. ActionAid is an international anti-poverty agency working in 50 countries, taking sides with poor people to end poverty and injustice together. He served from 2000-06 as founder and coordinator of the Agribusiness Accountability Initiative, a global network of farm, labor, environment, consumer, faith and development organizations that works to address market distortions created by monopoly power in the world food system. From 1997-2000, Peter was Latin America Director for Ashoka: Innovators for the Public, an international association of social entrepreneurs.

Peter worked in El Salvador from 1987-1994 with the Jesuit Refugee Service, first as a volunteer resettlement worker in a refugee camp and a rural village during that country's civil war, then as national director. In 2002, Peter was selected by the Rockefeller Foundation's Next Generation Leadership Program as one of 24 Fellows from diverse fields to study innovative solutions to problems with participation and inclusion in the American democratic process. He is a graduate of Harvard College, and earned a masters degree in economic development from Columbia University's School of International and Public Affairs.

Karthik Paramasivan

Karthik Paramasivan is with the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis, and Malaria in Switzerland. Karthik's experience spans the private and public spheres. He began his career trading sovereign and supranational debt at Goldman Sachs, followed by a stint at the Royal Bank of Scotland where he was a vice-president in derivatives trading. He subsequently served as a consultant to the government of Dubai, defining strategy for the Middle East first energy exchange. He returned to Goldman Sachs on the hedge fund sales desk after graduate school and recently left to work on the Global Fund inaugural philanthropic campaign. He graduated summa cum Laude from Colby College, holds a diploma from the London School of Economics, and two masters degrees from Harvard University and INSEAD.

Masood Razaq

Masood Razaq is the founder and executive director of Goodgate, the leading online philanthropy platform for the Muslim world. Before establishing Goodgate in 2010, Masood held successive roles in private equity, corporate strategy, and management consulting. Prior to Goodgate, Masood was a managing director at the private equity arm of the Emirates NBD banking group. Previously, he served as group manager of corporate strategy at Microsoft Corporation (Seattle), where he worked with the Chairman, CEO and senior leadership on new products, services, and acquisitions for the company. Masood began his career as a management consultant at McKinsey & Company and A.T. Kearney, Inc. (London). Masood holds an A.B. magna cum laude in government from Harvard University, an M.Phil. with honors in development studies from the University of Cambridge, and an MBA with distinction from the Harvard Business School, where he was a Booz-Allen & Hamilton Fellow.

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Shahima Rehman

Shahima Rehman is a development professional involved in the health, education and social development sectors. She is equipped with a Masters in Public Administration from the University of Punjab, an M.A. from the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy, Tufts University, and a diploma in Islamic Studies. She has been associated with the Fatima Memorial System in Lahore, Pakistan since 1984 and in 1992, Shahima was appointed as the chairperson of the executive committee. The evolution of Fatima Memorial Hospital to Fatima Memorial System has been mainly a result of her vision and endeavors. Today, Shahima provides leadership to all components of the FMS, the largest Muslim NGO in health sector in Pakistan. She is recognized and represents the organization and the country at relevant international forums such as the World Health Assembly and is member of several policies making forums of the country.

Nadia Roumani

Nadia Roumani is a principal at Roumani Consulting LLC. Nadia has worked with several grantmaking foundations that are supporting Muslim communities in America and/or addressing United States-Muslim world relations. Nadia is the consultant program officer for the Doris Duke Foundation for Islamic Art's Building Bridges Program, which aims to improve American's understanding of Muslim societies through arts and media. Nadia has also consulted for the Four Freedoms Fund, Rothschild Foundation, Asian Americans/Pacific Islanders in Philanthropy, Ford Foundation, Carnegie Corporation of New York, Rockefeller Brothers Fund, and Jewish Funds for Justice. Nadia also the co-founder and director of the American Muslim Civic Leadership Institute (AMCLI), which is housed at the University of Southern California. Nadia received her master's degree from Columbia University School of International and Public Affairs, and her bachelor's degree in economics and international relations from Stanford University.

Ellis Rubinstein

Ellis Rubinstein is president and CEO of the 192-year-old New York Academy of Sciences, home of 25,000 scientists in 140 countries. He served as editor of Science magazine from 1993-2002. He was editor of The Scientist, senior editor at Newsweek, and managing editor of Science 86 and IEEE Spectrum. Over his 3 decades as a journalist and editor, his work garnered three National Magazine Awards, the Pulitzer Prizes of the periodical industry. He was the first westerner to interview Jiang Zemin and first science journalist to interview then-President Bill Clinton. Additionally, he wrote the most complete investigative report of the Three Mile Island nuclear power accident and an acclaimed report on the true derivation of the cell line in which the AIDS virus was first grown. In the last decade, he has established groundbreaking international initiatives like Scientists Without Borders and has created alliances with ministries and funding agencies, municipalities, foundations, universities and corporations the world over.

Taleb Salhab

Taleb Salhab is an independent philanthropic consultant with over 20 years of experience in the field. Salhab has held senior leadership positions in the non-profit and private sectors. Most recently, Salhab served as the Director of the Peace and Security program at the Rockefeller Brothers Fund; a global philanthropic foundation with a core mission of advancing social change that contributes to a more just, sustainable and peaceful world. In this capacity, he directed a multimillion dollar grantmaking program focusing on U.S global engagement and U.S relationships with the Muslim world.

Prior to that, Salhab served as the National Outreach Director for the Arab Community Center for Economic and Social Services (ACCESS) in Dearborn, Michigan; which is the largest Arab-American human services organization in the United States. While at ACCESS, Salhab directed a national network of 21 community based organizations in ten states, with programs focusing on human services, youth development and empowerment, civic participation, advocacy and non-profit capacity building.

He has also served as an analyst and commentator on US domestic and foreign policy issues on Al-Jazeera, Al-Arabiyya, BBC Arabic in addition to large number of national and international print and broadcast media. Salhab has also held many voluntary leadership roles in the non-profit sector, sitting on boards of major regional and national non-profit organizations in the USA.

Salhab was born and raised in the Middle East. He holds a Master of Arts in International Affairs and a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science from Florida State University.

Jorge Fernando Branco de Sampaio

Jorge Fernando Branco de Sampaio is a Portuguese lawyer, politician, and former President of the Republic. He started his political career as college student of the Law School of the University of Lisbon: in that period he was involved in the student contestation against the fascist regime and, between 1960 and 1961, was leader of the Lisbon students union. Following his graduation in 1961, he started a notable career as a lawyer, often involved in the defence of many political prisoners.

After the Carnation Revolution of 1974, Sampaio funded the MES (Portuguese acronym for Social Left Movement), but abandoned this political project soon after. In 1978 he joined the Socialist Party, where he remains to present day. His first election in the Portuguese National Parliament was in 1979. Between this year and 1984, he was a member of the European Commission for Human Rights, where he developed important work on these topics. In 1996, Jorge Sampaio won the elections and became President of the Republic, a position in which he was confirmed for a second term in 2001 (until March 2006). As President, his actions were mainly focused on education, social issues, human rights for all and European and international affairs.

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In May 2006 he was appointed by the United Nations Secretary-General as his Special Envoy to Stop Tuberculosis. His task is to work to reach the Millennium Development Goal of beginning to reverse the incidence of the disease by 2015. In April 2007, he was appointed as the High Representative for the Alliance of Civilizations, a UN initiative aimed at crossing cultural and religion divides between communities.

Salman Shaikh

Salman Shaikh is director of the Brookings Doha Center and fellow at the Saban Center for Middle East Policy. His expertise lies in United Nations diplomatic and conflict management efforts. Salman previously served as director for policy and research at the office of H.H. Sheikha Mozah Bint Nasser Al Missned. Before that, his UN career included working for the special advisor to the UN secretary general on the Middle East (Michael Williams); for the personal representative of the UN secretary general for Lebanon (Geir Pedersen); and for the UN special coordinator for the Middle East Peace Process (Terje Rod-Larsen). He also held the position of special representative to the Muslim West Facts Project. Shaikh earned a BA from Loughborough University and a master's from Kent at Canterbury University.

Frederic Sicre

For 20 years, Frederic has been engaging the private sector in global issues, regional-development agendas and community building. As executive director at Abraaj Capital, he engages a wide network of decision makers from around the world for the business activities and philanthropic work of the firm. He spearheads the Abraaj Strategic Stakeholder Engagement Team (ASSET) that works with leaders from all fields, including government, private sector, media and culture. He helps drive business development at Abraaj Capital, its stakeholder communications, international positioning, government relations and strategic philanthropy. He serves on the advisory boards of Dubai Cares, a US\$ 1 billion endowment dedicated to providing education to poor children around the world, as well of Injaz Al Arab, an organization which harnesses the mentorship of Arab business leaders to help inspire a culture of entrepreneurialism and business innovation among Arab youth. He is also chairman of the Gaza Children Trust and an advisory board member of the Gerhart Center at the American University in Cairo.

In the early 1990s, Frederic established the activities of the World Economic Forum (WEF) in Africa and the Middle East. He then managed the Forum's Centre for Regional Strategies and was promoted to WEF Managing Director in 2000. In 2002, he was responsible for moving the annual Davos meeting to New York City to show support for New Yorkers after 9/11. In 2003, he was responsible for the extraordinary annual meeting at the Dead Sea in Jordan following the Iraq conflict. Frederic has initiated private-sector led dialogue and reconciliation initiatives during South Africa's transition to democracy, and between Palestinians and Israelis. He also initiated the first Africa and Arab World Competitiveness reports. He oversaw the creation of the Arab Business Council and is editor of South Africa at Ten, a book celebrating the first decade years of democracy in the country. From 2002 to 2005 he served as a member of the international advisory board of Scripps Medical Foundation, San Diego. Frederic holds an MBA from IMD, Switzerland, a Bachelor of Arts and Sciences from Villanova University, Philadelphia, and is a fellow of Stanford University, Palo Alto.

Afeefa Syeed

Afeefa Syeed is senior advisor at the U.S. Agency for International Development Middle East and Asia Bureaus. In this capacity, Afeefa designs and implements initiatives and training to address issues of engaging traditional and religious leaders and institutions, radicalization, mainstreaming gender and youth participation, social entrepreneurship and other emerging programs. She works with USAID staff in Washington as well as in the field to help develop policy, define best practices, highlight success stories, and create tools to frame country strategies that reflect greater expertise in engaging with the cultural contexts we serve. Her work has also included advising the White House, NSC, DOS, and DHS on the same issues. Her travels and programs have included communities in Europe, South East Asia, South Asia, Central Asia and Middle East and North Africa. Afeefa is a cultural anthropologist with a focus on grassroots initiated development.

Afeefa has worked for the past 15 years with various international and grassroots NGOs and development agencies in areas of youth and women participation and leadership, civic education and engagement, good governance, education and curriculum reform, and advocacy. She has consulted with the UN Democracy Fund, World Bank, the United States Dept. of State Office for Public Diplomacy and Public Affairs, Department of Human Rights and Labor, and various in-country and international organizations. Afeefa designed and managed a model school whose core curriculum is peace education and civic engagement. She is a member of various interfaith, social service and political action organizations in the United States. Her involvement and community activism led her to run for local office in 2003 as the Democratic candidate for the Loudoun County Board of Supervisors from the Potomac District.

Sherine El Taraboulsi

Sherine is project manager of the Muslim Philanthropy Digital Library (MPDL), a joint undertaking of the American University in Cairo, John D. Gerhart Center for Philanthropy and Civic Engagement and the Center of Excellence on the Middle East and Arab Cultures, and Indiana University's Center on Philanthropy. She has served as research consultant at the Cairo Regional Center for Training on Conflict Resolution and Peacekeeping in Africa, Egyptian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the United Nations Development Program. Prior to this, she worked as assistant to the director and communications coordinator at the Gerhart Center, and has also worked as an editor at the Bibliotheca Alexandrina and as teaching assistant at Alexandria University. Sherine was an MA Merit Fellow at the English and Comparative Literature Department at American University in Cairo, with specific focus on diaspora studies. Her research interests philanthropic studies and nonprofits research.

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Bart Weetjens

Bart Weetjens is a celebrated social entrepreneur. He trains HeroRATs to save human lives from disaster and disease. Bart addressed the dependence of African communities on foreign expertise to solve difficult, dangerous and expensive humanitarian detection tasks posed by scourges of the developing world, like the landmine legacy and the emergence of tuberculosis. His organization APOPO researches, develops, deploys and disseminates the use of a sustainable local alternative: detection rats technology. HeroRATs are humanely trained giant African pouched rats that act as cost-efficient detectors in limited resources settings, while building local expertise. APOPO is endorsed by 11 African governments in the Great Lakes Region. Bart is an Ashoka fellow, a Skoll awardee, and a Schwab fellow to the World Economic Forum. Bart is a Zen practitioner. He lives with his wife and two daughters in Tanzania.

Tarik Yousif

Tarik is creative director of Creative Urbane, an architectonic foundation based in the Netherlands. Creative Urbane was founded in 2007 with the objective to facilitate and educate youngsters as a architect, landscape-planner and city-planner. The vision of the foundation is to facilitate and support active citizenship by involving youngsters on a mutual level in the design of their neighborhood.

DEFINING THE ROADMAP FOR THE NEXT DECADE

Declaration

At a time of change and uncertainty, philanthropy is challenged to help facilitate dialogue among all sectors of society and provide the resources for implementing creative solutions to problems. Old approaches to giving that operated in isolation or only addressed the symptoms of social ills will no longer suffice. Philanthropy around the world has an opportunity to make sure that its efforts going forward are complementary and mutually reinforcing. Our gathering as the World Congress of Muslim Philanthropists this week in Dubai is about rising to meet this challenge.

Indeed, what Muslim societies call for is a rational discussion of their own situation, on their own terms. As a growing network of individual donors, foundations and socially conscious corporations, the World Congress of Muslim Philanthropists is creating a safe space for consultative dialogue among all sectors from which a new social compact can eventually emerge.

- We challenge our fellow philanthropic institutions to revisit their funding priorities in the Arab and Muslim world.
- We urge philanthropies to invest in locally generated agendas for change, whether these involve support to young social entrepreneurs with a vision for the future of their societies, or to Arab and Muslim researchers studying their own countries and developing coherent plans for progress.
- We urge Islamic finance institutions worldwide to use the techniques and instruments at their disposal to address the issues of social justice, wealth redistribution, poverty alleviation and prevention of exploitation. In particular, these institutions can help unlock capital embedded in the waqfs, can enhance management of zakat and can fight financial exclusion through Islamic microfinance.
- We call on governments to invest in quality services such as education, and creating jobs, especially for youth, and to formulate economic investment policies that lead to broader development opportunities for all citizens.
- We strongly believe that these are the types of initiatives that will lead towards our common goals of advancement, through rule of law, human development and economic growth in a coherent and integrated manner. We must not leave any parts of our societies behind, and in serving equitable development, we will also achieve peace, stability, and hope for the future.