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## Introduction

The conference organised by Marslio International targets precisely this, i.e. to discuss the legal and practical aspects of implementing the Gold Dinar system, seen as the next essential component in Islamic Finance and Economics.

Since the Gold Dinar represents a paradigm shift from the current monetary system, as expected it had been taking root slowly but firmly. The vulnerability of the current fiat monetary system has prompted even Nobel Laureate Robert Alexander Mundell to say that the gold will again return as the international monetary standard in the 21<sup>st</sup> century. Clearly an important but one that is often overlooked, is the issue of justice. On many people's mind, an international payment system based on gold addresses both these issues.



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## Objectives

The first International Conference on Gold Dinar Economy aims to bring all players and issues to the discussion table.

- ❖ To present the building blocks of a Dinar Economy.
- ❖ To popularise the concept of Dinar Economy.
- ❖ To gain acceptance and support for the Dinar Economy.
- ❖ To promote Dinar Economy as a practical solution to the economic crisis of the world.

## Who should Attend

All Malaysian and international companies, government agencies, investment players, financial institutions, trade organisations, gold proponents, academicians, policy makers, shariah and legal experts, students of finance and economics, politicians, social scientist, corporate strategies and planning managers, business development directors/managers, freight forwarders, purchasers and suppliers, customs documentations, shipping, importers and exporters and anyone who is interested to know more about the Gold Dinar as an alternative global currency.

## Your Investment

RM 1000.00 per delegate (local)

USD 380.00 per delegate (overseas)

(Including lunch, tea breaks, Gala Dinner, course notes and certificate of attendance)

- **GROUP DISCOUNT :**

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| 3 – 5 participant        | : 5% Discount  |
| 6 participants and above | : 10% Discount |

**\*Your investment includes Gala Dinner  
on the 1st night of the conference**



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### 1. Sheikh Imran N. Hosein



Sheikh Imran N. Hosein studied at the Aleemiyah Institute of Islamic Studies, Karachi, Pakistan under the guidance of the distinguished scholar and Sufi Shaikh, Maulana Dr. Muhammad Fazlur Rahman Ansari (ra). He also studied Philosophy at Karachi University and International Relations at the University of West Indies and at the Graduate Institute of International Studies, Geneva. He has published many books including Islam and Buddhism in the Modern World, two books on Riba, Jerusalem in the Qur'an. His book on Surah al-Qahfi is forthcoming. He used to serve as a khateeb delivering Friday sermons at the United Nations headquarters in Manhattan, NY.

### 2. Umar Ibrahim Vadillo



Umar Ibrahim Vadillo was born in 1964. After attending the Augustinian College in Navarre he went to study agronomy at the University of Madrid. While still at university he embraced Islam. There followed a long period of study applying the commercial parameters defined in Islam's founding legal document Imam Malik's Al Muwatta, to modern financial practice. This led to his studies on Zakat, which implied the necessary use of the Islamic Gold Dinar and Silver Dirham. He has lectured extensively in various universities, notably in Morocco, Malaysia and Indonesia.

His promotion of an Islamic real wealth currency was adopted by Dr. Erbakan, Turkish Prime Minister until deposed, as well as the late King Hassan II of Morocco who undertook to restore Zakat to its correct legal position, just before his death. Umar Ibrahim Vadillo's study on Dinar-based finance was used as a working paper by Dr. Mahathir, the former Prime Minister of Malaysia. He is currently engaged in promoting the issue in Indonesia. He resides in Cape Town, South Africa.

### 3. Thomas H. Greco Jr.



Thomas H. Greco Jr. is an independent scholar, educator, writer, networker, and consultant, who has for more than 30 years, been working at the leading edge of transformational restructuring. As a progressive innovator, *he is developing and implementing approaches that promote social justice, economic equity, personal freedom, and social harmony. He has been active in the peace and justice movement, the green movement, the bioregional movement, the human potential movement, and various other human centered efforts.*

*He formerly held a tenured faculty position at the college level, and is currently Director of the non-profit Community Information Resource Center. A primary focus of his work is innovation in money, banking, and finance. He works with community groups, municipalities, business associations, and NGO's to develop and implement private credit clearing systems and community currencies.*

### 4. Prof. Masudul Alam Choudhury

Prof. Masudul Alam Choudhury obtained his Ph.D. (Political Economy) from the University of Toronto in 1977. He has more than 30 years of teaching and research experience. He is currently a professor of Economics in the School of Business, Cape Breton University, Nova Scotia, Canada. He also occupies the International Chair, Postgraduate Program in Islamic Economics and Finance, Trisakti University Jakarta, Indonesia. Professor Choudhury has about 30 books to his credit including Money in Islam and Reforming the Muslim World.



## 5. Tarek el-Diwani



Tarek el-Diwani graduated in Accountancy and Finance at the University of Lancaster in 1985. He has worked as a dealer in the conventional capital markets for several years, during which time he has also lectured in the field of financial mathematics and options theory. Since 1995 he has been developing investment products in accordance with Islamic principles on behalf of a leading financial institution in London.

## 6. Zaim Saidi



Zaim Saidi received his undergraduate degree in Food Technology and Human Nutrition from Bogor Institute of Agriculture (1986) and his Master of Public Affairs (Hon) degree from the University of Sydney, Australia (1998). He has almost 20 years of experience in the NGO movement in Indonesia, including consumer protection, environmental movement and in public policy research and advocacy. He has published exemplary work in these fields, that earned him the Public Interest Research Fellowship from Ralph Nader's Multinational Monitor in 1991, the Leadership for Environment and Development (LEAD) Fellowship in 1992-1994, and Merdeka Fellowship from the Government of Australia, in 1996-1997. As a journalist, he served as a special editor in Berita Buana daily newspaper from 1991-1992, and in Republika from 1993-1997; and

as guest columnist for Swasembada, a monthly business magazine, in 1991, and for Media Indonesia, in 1994-1997. From July-October 2000 he co-hosted Kamar 619, a weekly television talk show on environment and sustainable development, nationally broadcasted by Televisi Pendidikan Indonesia (TPI).

In 2001 he founded Wakala Adina that provides exchange and saving services for Islamic gold dinar and silver dirham for the public in Jakarta, and since then serve as its Executive Director. Presently, he is the Executive Director of the Public Interest Research and Advocacy Center (PIRAC), a research-based advocacy group. He is also associated with Reform Institute a newly established non government think tank based in Jakarta.

## 7. Assoc. Prof. Dr. Ahamed Kameel Mydin Meera



Dr. Ahamed Kameel Mydin Meera holds a Ph.D. degree in Finance from the University of North Texas, Denton, Texas, U.S.A. His undergraduate and Masters Degrees were in the area of Economics from the International Islamic University Malaysia. His areas of interest and expertise include Financial Markets, Investment Analysis, Macro-Economics, Economics of Social Issues and Quantitative Methods. He has wide experience in teaching, training, consultancy and research in the above areas. His works have been published in local and international journals. He is a frequent contributor to the EDGE business daily. His current research interest in money systems includes the gold dinar. He is the author of the books *The Islamic Gold Dinar* and *The Theft of Nations*.

Dr. Ahamed Kameel Mydin Meera is the former Dean, Centre for Postgraduate Studies, International Islamic University Malaysia. He is currently on sabbatical leave to complete his further research on the implementation of the gold dinar.



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## 8. Nik Mahani Mohamad



Nik Mahani Mohamad is an accountant by profession and has been in Islamic Banking for most of her career. She was amongst the earliest pioneer of the Islamic Banking System In Malaysia. Whilst a banker in Bank Islam (M) Bhd. during its infant years, she had helped to introduce many Islamic Banking products and structured many Islamic financing deals. As a strong advocator for the eradication of riba' practices, she was convinced that riba' activities were not merely practised in the banking and financial world but that riba' is present in the fiat money itself, i.e. paper currency like the ringgit and other forms of money like cheques and electronic money. She was convinced further that the gold dinar is indeed a Shariah money. Accordingly, with her initiatives the Kelantan state government launched the Emas Dinar Kelantan on the 20<sup>th</sup> September 2006. She is now a member of Kelantan State Committee for Dinar Kelantan.

## 9. Javad Sayahi Kashi

Javad Sayahi Kashi holds an M.A. in International Relations from Shahid Beheshty University in Iran. He is a staff of the International Affairs and Economic Development of Provinces Department, Ministry of Interior. His thesis was on Islamic Union and he is working towards realising it. His current research is on the Islamic Currency Unit (the dinar) as an important part to forming the Islamic Union.



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## TENTATIVE PROGRAMME

### DAY 1

- 08.30am – 09.00am  
- Registration & Payment
- 09.00am – 09.45am  
- Opening Ceremony:  
Welcome Note by Master of Ceremony  
Recitation & Translation Of the Noble Quran  
Opening Speech by Conference Chairman:  
**Hj. Wan Ahmad Shaffie**
- 09.45am - 10.30am  
- Keynote Address  
by **Y. Bhg. Tun Dr. Mahathir Mohamad**  
(Gold Dinar-Way Forward)
- 10.30am - 11.00am  
- Coffee Break & Refreshment
- 11.00am - 12.30am  
- SESSION 1: SOCIO - POLITICO - ECONOMIC ISSUES OF THE UMMAH,  
Chairman: **Assoc. Prof. Dr. Ahamed Kameel Mydin Meera**
1. The Socio-Politico-Economic Issues Facing the Ummah:  
Charting Future Directions  
**Prof. Masudul Alam Choudhury**
  2. World Government & International Monetary Economics:  
The Disappearance Of Money With Intrinsic Value.  
**Sheikh Imran N. Hosein**
- 12.30pm - 02.00pm  
- Lunch & Zuhur Prayer
- 02.00pm - 03.30pm  
- SESSION 2: MONEY, GOLD & THE ECONOMY  
Chairman: **Dr. Rosli Yakob**
1. The Architecture of Gold Dinar Economy: The Building Blocks  
**Umar Ibrahim Vadillo**
  2. The End of Money and the Liberation of Exchanges  
**Thomas H. Greco Jr.**, Director, Community Information Resource Center, Tucson, AZ, USA
- 03.30pm - 04.00pm  
- Coffee Break and Asar Prayer
- 04.00pm - 05.30pm  
- SESSION 3: POLITICAL & TRANSITION ASPECTS OF THE GOLD DINAR  
Chairman: **Dr Ashraf Wajdi**
1. Fiat Money and Gold: A Political Economy Perspective  
**Dr. Aziuddin Ahmad**, Fellow, AlBukhary Foundation
  2. Transition Issues In Monetary Reform.  
**Tarek el-Diwani**

### DAY 2

- 08.30am – 09.00am  
- Breakfast
- 09.00am – 11.00am  
- SESSION 4: SHARIAH & LEGAL ASPECTS OF IMPLEMENTING THE GOLD DINAR  
Chairman: **Ir. Umar Azmon**
- The Implementation of the Gold Dinar and Silver Dirham: Indonesian Experience  
**Zaim Saidi** - Founder/Executive Director of Wakala Adina
- 11.00am - 11.30am  
- Coffee Break & Refreshment
- 11.30am – 1.00pm  
- SESSION 5: PRACTICAL ASPECTS OF IMPLEMENTING THE GOLD DINAR  
Chairman: **Prof. Zuhaimi Ismail**
1. Integrating al-Rahnu with the Gold Dinar:  
The Initial Building Blocks Towards a Dinar Economy.  
**Assoc. Prof. Dr. Ahamed Kameel Mydin Meera** (IIUM)
  2. Resurrecting the Institution of Baitul-Mal as the Focus for the Development of Dinar Economy  
**Pn. Nik Mahani Mohamad**
- 01.00pm - 02.00pm  
- Lunch & Zuhur Prayer
- 02.00pm - 03.30pm:  
SESSION 6: INTERNATIONAL PRACTICALITY OF THE GOLD DINAR  
Chairman: **Assoc. Prof. Hj. Zainal Abidin Kidam**
1. Gold Dinar in Islamic Union  
**Javad Sayahi Kashi**
  2. Gold Dinar: The Kelantan Experience  
**Dr. Rosli Yakob**
- 03.30pm - 04.30pm  
SESSION 7: CONFERENCE RESOLUTION & CLOSING CEREMONY
- Conference Resolution  
**Assoc. Prof. Dr. Ahamed Kameel Mydin Meera**



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