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Agenda

- 09:00 – 09:15 **Welcome Remarks**
- 09:15 – 09:30 **Keynote Address: Effect of US Policy on the Industry**
Senator Kevin S Parker — New York State Senate
- 09:30 – 10:20 **What's Driving Industry Growth?**
Given current market conditions, what does the future hold for the Islamic debt and equity capital markets and retail finance? What can we expect in terms of new asset classes, sectorspecific development and trends? Are there opportunities for cross-border transactions and what role will US market makers play? How will US and global regulations on Shariah compliance impact the performance of PE funds and investment in private equity?
Moderator: *Rizwan Kanji — Partner, King & Spalding, the UAE*
Panelists: *Ahmed Al Qassim — CEO, Emirates NBD Capital, the UAE*
Bashar Qasem — Founder and CEO, Azzad Asset Management
Ibrahim Mardam-Bey — Principal and Chief Commercial Officer, Taylor De Jongh
Michael Orzano — Director, Global Equity Indices, S&P Dow Jones Indices
Patrick T. Drum — Research Analyst and Portfolio Manager, Satuma Capital
- 10:20 – 10:40 **Presentation: US Tax Regulations Impacting Capital Flows from the Middle East**
Oliver Reichel — Partner, Real Estate Tax, PwC
- 10:40 – 11:10 Coffee & Networking
- 11:10 – 12:00 **Tapping the Middle East and Other Key Markets**
The US and Middle East markets both hold great promise for potential investors seeking solid and innovative assets. We ask investment experts from each market what sectors are likely to yield the best returns. How can US market players access liquidity in the Middle East and other key markets, and likewise how do their Gulf counterparts attract US investors?
Moderator: *Jawad Ali — Managing Partner, Middle East Offices, King & Spalding, the UAE*
Panelists: *Aamir Rehman — Managing Director, Fajr Capital*
Gabriel Torres — Vice President & Senior Credit Officer, Moody's Investors Service
Hdeel Abdelhady — Principal, MassPoint, Legal and Strategy Advisory, Washington, DC
Hitesh Asarpota — Managing Director, Capital Markets, Emirates NBD Capital, the UAE
Thom Polson — CEO, Falah Capital
- 12:00 – 12:30 **Deal Dialogue: 45 Park Place**
Moderator: *Lauren McAughtry — Group Managing Editor, REDmoney Group, the UK*
Panelists: *Adam Malik Azlan — Managing Director, Conglomerates and Institutions, Maybank Investment Bank*
Amro Nahas — Head of Real Estate Investment, MASIC, Saudi Arabia
Mona Dajani — Partner, Baker McKenzie
Sharif El-Gamal — Chairman and CEO, Soho Properties
- 12:30 – 13:00 **Equity Investment into US Real Estate**
 - Outlook for the flow of Gulf based capital into the US real estate investments
 - Tax treatment of equity capital from the Gulf

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Panelists: **Anup Patel** — President and Chief Investment Officer, Arch Street Capital Advisors
Khaled Elsayed — President and CEO, Guidance Residential
Nasr El Hage — Co-Founder and Managing Director, Ritz Banc Group



13:00 – 13:15 **Quality Talent Development for the Financial Services Industry**
Ulrika Brunner – Director, Strategic Corporate Relations, Finance Accreditation Agency

13:15 End of Forum

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