



# IFFSA ISLAMIC FINANCE FORUM OF SOUTH ASIA

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## “A Decade of Growth and Innovation”

UTO EduConsult is privileged to announce IFFSA 10, celebrating a decade of pioneering work in shaping the future of Islamic finance in the region. This conference marks a significant milestone, reflecting on the achievements, challenges, and opportunities that have emerged in the industry. Over the past ten years, the forum has served as a vital platform for collaboration, innovation, and dialogue, being part of a larger effort to drive the growth of Islamic finance across South Asia. The theme of this year's conference, *“Shaping the Future of Islamic Finance in South Asia: A Decade of Growth and Innovation”* highlights the ongoing evolution of Islamic finance, its integration with regional and global financial markets, and its potential to offer inclusive, ethical, and sustainable solutions to the region's financial needs. With eminent speakers, thought leaders, and industry pioneers, this event will explore key trends and developments in Islamic financial services, focusing primarily on South Asia.

As part of this very significant milestone, UTO EduConsult will recognise entities that have performed with distinction at a special Awards ceremony, dedicated to the consistently best performers in the IFFSA Awards over the past decade. Given that it celebrates 10 years of outstanding performance, the Award categories will be limited to just 10 categories. The winners of these awards, which will be aptly titled “(Name of Category) of the Decade” will be decided on by the Event Organisers and would not require formal Applications or Nominations. IFFSA 10 will also be unique in that it would straddle two separate countries with the Annual Awards Ceremony, to be held as a separate event later in the year.

Join us in celebrating a decade of excellence and forging the path for the next chapter of Islamic finance in South Asia, in order to shape a more inclusive, transparent, and prosperous future for all humanity.

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## PROGRAMME

9.00 a.m.	Registration and Formal Opening
9.15 a.m.	Welcome Address by Conference Chairperson
9.30 a.m.	Address by Lead Event Partner
9.40 a.m.	Address by Chief Guest <b>HE The Governor of Maldives Monetary Authority, Honourable Ahmed Munawar</b>
10.00 a.m.	Keynote Address
10.20 a.m.	Refreshment Break and Recognition Awards Part 1
11.00 a.m.	Session 1 – TRAILBLAZERS - A Fireside Chat with Legends of the Industry  Discussion on the highlights of the past decade with individuals who have had a significant impact on their own markets as well as the region
12.00 p.m.	Session 2 – Resilience in an era of Tariffs and Trade wars  <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Could regional trade associations mitigate the impact of the imposition of US tariffs?</li><li>• Which sectors and countries are most at risk?</li><li>• Negotiating ploy or a serious play at correcting a ‘perceived’ imbalance?</li></ul>
12.45 p.m.	Session 3 – Using Capital Markets as a catalyst for growth Is South Asia ‘investible’ once again? – a perspective from outside the region  <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Listed Sukuk in Sri Lanka – Creating new vistas of opportunity</li><li>• Cross border opportunities</li><li>• Pakistan’s Mutual Fund industry – what is the secret sauce?</li></ul>
1.30 p.m.	Lunch and Recognition Awards Part 2
3.00 p.m.	Session 4 – Contemporary Issues  <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Are ESG initiatives an integral part of IFIs and part of its ethos of doing business</li><li>• Artificial Intelligence and its impact</li><li>• Social Impact Financing</li><li>• State of Takaful</li></ul>

## CLOSE OF CONFERENCE

Please note: The organisers reserve the right to make amendments to the topics and/or timing if deemed necessary