Chapter 6 Shariah Compliant Equity Funds And Derivative


Islamic Capital Markets: A Comparative Approach (2nd Edition) looks at the similarities and differences between Islamic capital markets and conventional capital markets. The book explains each topic from both the conventional and the Islamic perspective, offering a full understanding of Islamic capital markets, processes, and instruments. In addition to a full explanation of Islamic products, the book also ensures a holistic understanding of the dual markets within which Islamic capital markets operate. Ideal for both students and current practitioners, the second edition of the highly successful Islamic Capital Markets: A Comparative Approach fills a large gap in the current literature on the subject, featuring case studies from Malaysia, Indonesia, Europe, and the Middle East. One of the few comprehensive, dedicated guides to the subject available, the book offers comprehensive and in-depth insights on the topic of Islamic finance for students and professionals alike.

Risk-sharing investment is currently the buzz word in Islamic finance. However, there is an incongruence in applying multilayered and opaque Tijarah contracts for investment purposes. This has contributed to the divergence between Shariah and Common Law and caused tremendous problems and systemic legal risks to Islamic finance. The authors of Shariah Investment Agreement introduce a legal tool in the form of a Shariah Investment Agreement carefully drafted to ensure that it is Shariah-compliant and can be applied in Common Law jurisdictions as well, so as to allow for the execution of risk-sharing investment in Islamic finance. It details the building blocks and key considerations that must be noted when drafting such agreements so the investor and investee will know what to expect when entering into such a contract. Proper implementation of the Shariah Investment Agreement will pave a clear route to a harmonious convergence between Shariah and Common Law and lead to Islamic finance developing further to become a stronger, unstoppable force in the finance industry.

Sustainable Development in EU Foreign Investment Law offers a clear and convincing assessment of how the EU contributes to the ongoing debate on sustainable development integration in international investment agreements.

Islamic banking has seen rapid growth during the last two decades. This is a result of the liberalization of financial regulation, the globalization of financial markets, technological changes, product innovation, the birth of several new Islamic States, and a growing Islamic presence in the West, among other factors. New innovations have allowed economists and religious scholars to bring new products to almost all areas of banking and insurance, products which would previously have been extremely controversial. This book provides a better understanding of the Muslim community around the world of Islamic economics and its importance, especially in these days of financial crisis. The book will also serve as a reference manual for teaching the theory and practice of Islamic banking and Islamic financial innovations around the world. Islamic finance courses at universities are highly important since Islamic financial innovations remain very limited, and additional efforts have to be made in this area.

This handbook offers a unique and original collection of analytical studies in Islamic economics and finance,
and constitutes a humble addition to the literature on new economic thinking and global finance. The growing
risks stemming from higher debt, slower growth, and limited room for policy maneuver raise concerns about
the ability and propensity of modern economies to find effective solutions to chronic problems. It is important
to understand the structural roots of inherent imbalance, persistence-in-error patterns, policy and governance
failures, as well as moral and ethical failures. Admittedly, finance and economics have their own failures, with
abstract theory bearing little relation with the real economy, uncertainties and vicissitudes of economic life.
Economic research has certainly become more empirical despite, or perhaps because of, the lack of guidance
from theory. The analytics of Islamic economics and finance may not differ from standard frameworks,
methods, and techniques used in conventional economics, but may offer new perspectives on the making of
financial crises, nature of credit cycles, roots of financial system instability, and determinants of income
disparities. The focus is placed on the logical coherence of Islamic economics and finance, properties of Islamic
capital markets, workings of Islamic banking, pricing of Islamic financial instruments, and limits of debt
financing, fiscal stimulus and conventional monetary policies, inter alia. Readers with investment, regulatory,
and academic interests will find the body of analytical evidence to span many areas of economic inquiry,
refuting thereby the false argument that given its religious tenets, Islamic economics is intrinsically narrative,
descriptive and not amenable to testable implications. Thus, the handbook may contribute toward a
redirection of a dismal science in search for an elusive balance between rationality, ethics and morality, and
ward to a remodeling of economies based on risk sharing and prosperity for all humanity

Islamic finance has grown exponentially since 1963 and has reached more than 70 countries around the world
with the asset size of about $2.5 trillion. The Islamic financial system today comprises a sizable asset base and
there is evidence of sustained demand for Islamic financial products and services in the global market, with
demand outstripping supply. This book provides a new source of understanding of the Islamic financial
products in view of facilitating academy, industrialists, professionals, product designers, students and
policymakers globally. There is a mass of literature on Islamic finance available to the market, but very little
research is found in the form of book exclusively on Islamic financial products and their structures. Thus, this
book is a timely contribution to the global market with Islamic financial product solutions.

In a sector where publications focus on theory, the Islamic Banking in Practice series concentrates solely on
market practice. The evolution of principles into practice is explained clearly and concisely. How is a simple
sale of metal used to deliver a total return swap? The reader is guided, step-by-step, as to how financial
institutions create products, whilst ensuring compliance with Islamic commercial law. Written by a globally
recognised practitioner and expert, structuring and transactions are presented and explained in detail,
covering: Structuring Risk Pricing Execution Chapters include: Money markets FX transactions Using options,
forwards, and swaps Structured deposits Total return swaps

Financial Engineering in Islamic Finance the Way Forward: A Case for Islamic Derivatives has been envisioned
as a sequel to Contracts and Deals in Islamic Finance: A User’s Guide to Cash Flows, Balance Sheets, and
Capital Structures. Product development in Islamic finance has been based upon the usage of various sale and
lease contracts and combinations of the same. In our current work, we explore the idea even further and look
at structures based on the concept of wa’id. Islamic banks need to develop structures that behave like options
and futures, and the shariah community needs to look closely at issues related to forward sales. In this book,
we have explored these avenues, made recommendations, and have hopefully encouraged some dialogue in
this area.

The definitive guide on fund and asset managers worldwide Fund Managers: The Complete Guide is an all-
embracing overview of fund and asset managers around the globe. The only comprehensive guide on the
subject, this book covers both the fund manager and the market as a whole while providing insights from
current and future fund managers and leaders in the technology industry from the UK, EU and US. Focused
examination of the fund managers and their investors – the categories of manager, the asset classes they
participate in, how they are using technology and their views on the market – complements a wider survey of
the market that includes upcoming changes to regulation, taxation and political shifts in the Western world.
The asset management industry continues to undergo significant changes that rise from the Global Financial
Crisis and its recovery, the recent technology boom and political fluctuations that have altered the way
business is conducted in financial markets around the world. Questions concerning China and Asia’s rise,
Trumpian influence in America and post-Brexit UK-EU relations underscore the contemporary relevance of Fund
Managers: The Complete Guide to current and future discourse within the industry. This important volume:
Explains worldwide roles, purposes and operations of asset managers including how local culture influences
their strategies Examines different types of assets and asset-management strategies Investigates the
The influence of macroeconomic and political factors such as governance and regulation, international taxation, anti-globalisation and populism illustrates the impact of technology and its disruptive products and players. Describes the different types of investor investing in the managers' funds and how they view the industry. Future-gazes over the ten years and beyond for the industry Fund Managers: The Complete Guide is the authoritative resource for anyone who requires an overview of the asset management industry and up-to-date insights on current and future trends and practices. The book also complements the author’s earlier work Funds: Private Equity, Hedge and All Core Structures.

From the world’s foremost authorities on the subject, the number-one guide to Islamic finance revised and updated for a post-crisis world. Because it is entirely equity-based, rather than credit-based, Islamic finance is immune to the speculative bubbles and runaway volatility typical of Western finance. Especially now, in the wake of the global financial crisis, this has made them increasingly attractive to institutional investors, asset managers and hedge funds in search of more stable alternatives to conventional financial products. With interest in Islamic finance swiftly spreading beyond the Muslim world, the need among finance and investment professionals has never been greater for timely and authoritative information about the rules governing Islamic finance. This thoroughly updated and revised second edition of the premier guide to regulatory issues in Islamic finance satisfies that need. Addresses the need for banks to develop common Islamic-based international accounting and auditing standards. Clearly explains the key differences between Shari'ah rulings, standardization of acceptable banking practices, and the development of standardized financial products. Explores the role of the Shari'ah Boards in establishing common rules regarding the permissibility of financial instruments and markets. Offers guidance for regulators seeking to adapt their regulatory frameworks to the needs of the fast-growing Islamic finance sector.

A comprehensive guide to one of the key risk management issues in the expanding field of Islamic finance. For Islamic financial institutions, Shariah non-compliance is a growing and key risk that must be carefully managed. This book offers a thorough look at non-compliance risk and explains the legal documentation necessary to ensure compliance for professionals in the Islamic finance industry. In addition, the book offers helpful guidance and understanding for the legal departments of Islamic financial institutions, as well as lawyers, legal firms, Shariah advisors, Shariah officers, and students studying Islamic finance. The book covers fundamental concepts, major risk elements, tools and techniques for identifying non-compliance, legal documentation, and the impact of non-compliance, among other vital topics. Offers comprehensive coverage of the growing field of non-compliance risk management in Islamic finance. Includes in-depth coverage of legal documentation. Written by an expert on the topic who teaches at INCEIF, The Global University for Islamic Finance and IIUM, International Islamic University of Malaysia in Malaysia.

The first book to offer comprehensive coverage of Islamic finance and banking and its applications to the rest of the world, now fully revised and updated. The ongoing international financial crisis has reignited debate over the development of a risk-sharing financial system, such as that required in Shariah Law. An Introduction to Islamic Finance: Theory and Practice, Second Edition highlights the core principles of risk sharing in Islam, arguing that a risk-sharing financial system is exactly what we need to promote greater financial stability. Providing comprehensive coverage of the fundamental theory behind Islamic finance and banking, according to the core concepts of Shariah law, authors Zamir Iqbal and Abbas Mirakhor clearly explain the distinct features of an Islamic financial system and how it compares with traditional financial models. Addressing the myriad important developments that have taken place in recent years, this second edition looks to the future, addressing emerging issues sure to influence future developments in Islamic finance. Explores the unique features of an Islamic financial system, how they compare to more traditional financial systems, and how they could improve them. Discusses all the most recent developments and emerging issues in Islamic finance. Updated with the latest developments, trends, innovations, and statistics, this new edition features additional chapters on the financial crisis, globalization, non-bank financial institutions, and recent developments in Takaful (Islamic insurance). The first edition of An Introduction to Islamic Finance established the book as the market leader, and this newly revised and updated second edition incorporates the most recent developments in this booming financial sector, including financial stability, globalization, and non-banking financial institutions.

In Frequently Asked Questions in Islamic Finance, industry expert Brian Kettell answers some of the most frequently asked questions from his many years experience in working and teaching in Islamic finance and banking. From knowledge of the Qu’ran and Sharia’a Law, to new and old Islamic financial concepts, Islamic terms, and Islamic financial instruments and services, this book covers all the key areas that practitioners need to Islamic finance. The book addresses individual questions such as “what is Takaful?”, and provide answers with a clear overview of the product or service, and an example, or illustration where appropriate, of how they
work in practice. The book also features a question and answer section for readers to test and build their knowledge of the area. Light, entertaining and varied in its approach, Frequently Asked Questions in Islamic Finance will prove popular for experienced practitioners and novices alike.

Takaful, which means 'cooperative', is an insurance approach that is instrumental to providing insurance services to Muslims and others with religious objections to aspects of conventional commercial insurance models, specifically interest payments, uncertainty, or gambling kind of transactions.

Islamic finance has grown exponentially since 1963 and has reached more than 70 countries around the world with the asset size of about $2.5 trillion. The Islamic investment system today comprises of both asset-backed and asset-based offerings. There is an evidence of sustained demand for Islamic investment in the global market among both Muslim and non-Muslim investors with demand outstripping supply and management. This book is a timely guide to understanding the paradigm of Islamic investment and its application in the contemporary investment reality, and will be of particular interest to academia, industrialists, professionals, investors, investment managers, product designers, students, decision makers and policymakers globally in the field of investment.

Asia’s demand for second-generation financial institutions and markets needs to be met in order for the region’s further development to be sustained. This book provides a compelling, fact-based assessment of current practices and regulations in Asia’s financial institutions and markets and carefully documents the exciting opportunities and challenges that lie ahead in the region’s financial systems. This book differs in design from typical treatments of financial institutions and markets because its focus is on Asia rather than using the US model (in terms of market configurations or products) as a benchmark, and it takes a contemporary and forward-looking view of financial markets. Examples of practice from Asia are used to illustrate major accepted themes in finance and financial regulation. To the extent that Asia’s main economies share characteristics that are distinct, for example, in the relationship between government and the banking sector, or in aspects of corporate governance, the book will discuss the consequences for market operation and intermediation. The book’s carefully structured facts and rigorously argued analysis carry important implications both for students in business and law and for professionals new to financial markets in Asia. It will change the way that Asian financial markets and institutions is taught in universities as well as provide a valuable resource for professionals working in finance in Asia.

Islamic finance’s phenomenal growth owes to the Shariah compliant nature of its financial instruments. Shariah forbids the charging of interest (Riba) and instead promulgates risk-sharing and trade-based modes of financing. The Islamic financial industry has been subject to both critique and admiration. Critics argue that Islamic instruments (bearing debt-based structures) differ from their conventional counterparts only in legal lexicon and not in economic impact. The admirers argue that such instruments, irrespective of wider economic implications, rigorously comply with 'juristically sound' Islamic principles. This book aims to reconcile the above dispute. It argues that the financial impact of instruments is a consequence of the way they are priced and structured. The similarity in pricing and structures is an outcome not of the underlying Islamic financial modes but of the competitive environment in which Islamic instruments compete. Even risk-sharing and trade-based Islamic structures, if implemented in such an environment, would have a financial impact similar to that of conventional instruments. This book has a wider appeal for both academic and non-academic audiences. It can complement undergraduate and graduate courses as an additional reading on the intricacies of Islamic financial instruments and markets. For PhD students, it would help identify future research areas. To non-academics, it offers a deeper understanding regarding the working of the Islamic finance industry.

Information about Islamic finance in European countries is usually provided by professional-style reports, offering practical data on implementation of standardized products. However, precise developments about material legal provisions applicable to contracts and their actual legal regime are not often detailed. In order to fill this gap, 15 researchers from across Europe contributed to this project. They describe the state of actual Islamic finance in 10 European countries, as well as applicable EU law. By combining legal analysis with statistical description of existing practices and social demand, this book provides an exhaustive account of the current potential of Islamic finance in Europe.

Ensure Basel III compliance with expert analysis specific to Islamic Finance Islamic Capital Markets and Products provides a thorough examination of Islamic capital markets (ICM), with particular attention to the products that they offer and the legal and regulatory infrastructure within which they operate. Since Islamic
banks act as asset managers, attention is paid to the regulatory challenges which they face in the light of Basel III, as regards both eligible capital and liquidity risk management. The authors of the chapters are professionals and practitioners, and write from experience. The editors also contributed to some of the chapters. The markets and products covered include Islamic equities, Islamic investment certificates (Sukūk) which are Shari’ah compliant alternatives to conventional bonds, and Islamic Collective Investment Schemes. The coverage of legal and regulatory issues includes an examination of the implications for ICM of securities laws and regulations and of Basel III, as well as collateralisation issues. Shari’ah compliance aspects, in terms both of the selection criteria for Islamic equities and of the ‘purification’ of impermissible components of income, are also examined in some detail, as are the implications of Basel III for eligible capital in general and for Shari’ah compliant capital instruments in particular. A similar analysis is also made of the implications of the Basel III requirements for liquidity risk management and high quality liquid assets (HQLA), including Shari’ah compliant HQLA. The book concludes with three case studies, two describing the ICM in Malaysia and Bahrain and a third which describes Sukūk issued as Shari’ah compliant capital instruments, followed by brief concluding remarks by the editors.

A detailed look at the fast-growing field of Islamic banking and finance The global Islamic finance market is now worth about $700 billion worldwide. Islamic Finance For Dummies helps experienced investors and new entrants into Islamic finance quickly get up to speed on this growing financial sector. Here, you'll find clear and easy-to-understand information on how you can incorporate Islamic finance products into your investment portfolio. You'll quickly and easily: become acquainted with the theory, practice, and limitations of Islamic banking; understand how to develop products for the Islamic financial industry; grasp the objectives and sources of Islamic law and the basic guidelines for business contacts; learn about Islamic fund management and insurance; and much more. Coverage of the role Islamic finance can play in the development of the financial system and of economies Addresses the risks and rewards in Islamic banking The future prospects and opportunities of the Islamic finance industry With the help of Islamic Finance For Dummies, you'll discover the fast and easy way to tap into the booming Islamic finance arena.

This is how Islamic Banking really works Volume 3 of the Islamic Banking in Practice series covers the three main areas of Retail Banking, Risk Management and Structured Investments. Key products in all of these areas are discussed and explained in detail, covering the different types of contracts and structures used in the Islamic Banking and Finance sector. The journey in transforming classical contracts (such as Murabaha, Mudarabah, Wakala, Ijara and so on) into finished products that are executed, is a compelling one. This includes the transformation of inherent risks to suit the parties involved. This process of transformation highlights the perpetual conflict that exists within the industry – how to utilise classic contractual forms to deliver (overwhelmingly) products that are priced at interest.

Part I, The Contemporary Islamic Finance Landscape, addresses the most current issues surrounding Islamic economic theory and legal thought as well as presents a new level of thinking about a wide variety of other topics in this industry. Part II moves away from theory to highlight examples of how the products and structures of this discipline are effectively implemented in the real world. Along the way, you'll gain valuable knowledge regarding: Globalization and Islamic finance; The elements of Islamic wealth management; Sukuk--structures designed to bridge Islamic and conventional capital markets; An Islamic microfinance model and its role in poverty alleviation; Islamic finance in an almost postcrisis world; Shifting Islamic financial structures offshore; Islamic mortgages; Shari’ah-compliant investment in the United States; And much more.

This is how Islamic Banking really works In a sector where publications focus on theory, the Islamic Banking in Practice series concentrates solely on market practice. The evolution of principles into practice is explained clearly and concisely. Sukuk Sukus, sometimes referred to as the Islamic version of bonds, are one of the most visible products in Islamic banking and finance, and with a global reach. This volume will explain why Sukus were created, and how they work. The different structures of Sukuk will be explained, and reinforced through detailed analysis of market transactions. Areas covered include Issuance process Pricing Asset injection Risk management Shariah compliance Chapter headings include Common Sukuk structures Ijara, Musharakah, Mudarabah, Wakala, Murabaha Project finance Perpetual Equity linked / Exchangeable Hybrid Shariah compliance AAOIFI developments Credit rating Defaults The issue of a “True Sale”

This book focuses on the applicability of Shari’ah-based structures and Islamic venture capital to the private equity industry. It includes case studies and examples of business financial appraisals to give an in-depth view of the application and operation

A detailed look at the fast-growing field of Islamic finance and banking The guiding principle of Islamic finance
has existed throughout Islamic history, yet modern Islamic banking has been around for a relatively short period of time. Author Amr Mohamed El Tiby is an expert in this field, and with this new book, he reveals how you can benefit from the use of Islamic banking strategies in your financial endeavors. Engaging and accessible, Islamic Banking shows the impact this approach has made on conventional banking since the 1950s, and why it's such a big player in the current market. It offers a unique look at various aspects of this field, including the salient features of Islamic banking that distinguishes it from non-Islamic banking, the development of the regulatory bodies and supervisory agencies that support the Islamic banking system, and much more. It also explores the nature of risk in Islamic banking and the issues of capital adequacy, corporate governance, transparency, and risk associated with Islamic banking. Discusses the history and development of Islamic finance Offers straightforward strategies for implementing Islamic finance into your business activities Sheds light on the effect of the global economic crisis on Islamic banks versus conventional banks Filled with in-depth insights and expert advice, this detailed analysis of Islamic finance will help you gain a firm understanding of how effective this proven approach can be.

A timely update to one of the most well-received books on project financing As an effective alternative to conventional direct financing, project financing has become one of the hottest topics in corporate finance. It's being used more and more frequently—and more successfully—on a wide variety of high-profile corporate projects, and has long been used to fund large-scale natural resource projects. But the challenges of successful project financing are immense, and the requirements of the process can easily be misunderstood. That's why John Finnerty has returned with the Third Edition of Project Financing. Drawing on his vast experience in the field, Finnerty takes you through the process step by step. Using updated examples and case studies that illustrate how to apply the analytical techniques described in the book, he covers the rationale for project financing, how to prepare the financial plan, assess the risks, design the financing mix, raise the funds, and much more. Includes completely new chapters that cover the financing of sustainable projects as well as Sharia-compliant (Islamic) project financing New material has been added to the discussion of financial modeling and international debt financing Explores today's most innovative financing techniques and analyzes the shortcomings of unsuccessful project financing attempts Whether you're a corporate finance professional, project planner, or private investor, Project Financing, Third Edition demystifies the complexities of project financing and provides an invaluable guide for anyone who wants to master innovation in corporate finance today.

This book explains Islamic commercial laws, economics, banking, finance, and capital market. It provides educative materials for lawyers, practitioners, regulators, students taking Islamic banking and finance courses and those who are interested in learning more about the Islamic finance industry's doctrine and practice.

The first comprehensive guide to Islamic financial markets Based on the course taught at the International Islamic University Malaysia, this is the first book on Islamic finance to focus exclusively on money and capital markets. Covering basic concepts as well as current practices in Islamic financial markets, the book features case studies from real markets. It outlines the theory of money in terms of value, supply, and demand, while explaining the Islamic capital markets in terms of classifications, types of operations, valuations of securities, Islamic unit trust, ETFs, Islamic stock broking, and much more. Written by experts from the International Islamic University Malaysia, the leading organisation in research in Islamic finance The first guide to Islamic finance focused solely on money and capital markets An excellent introduction to money market principles for students in Islamic banking and finance, as well as researchers and current practitioners, Fundamentals of Islamic Money and Capital Markets is a vital resource on the subject.

This book discusses carefully selected topics in Islamic banking and finance (IBF) in South Eastern Europe (SEE) as one of the fastest growing areas in global finance. IBF originated within various Islamic banks, Islamic windows, investment funds, Takaful companies, and other financial institutions and has resulted in various global products. Although it is still in an early phase in SEE, IBF has developed rapidly in the last decade and has created a need for research on related topics, from the fundamental principles of IBF to the SCR, endowments and investment instruments to Islamic banking practices. This is our second book published as a result of the Sarajevo Islamic and Finance conferences (SIFEC). This conference traditionally gathers Islamic banking, economics, and finance academicians, experts, and students all over the world who discuss a wide range of topics in this field, focusing on the SEE. Consisting of seven chapters presenting original research, this book is a valuable resource for researchers as well as for practitioners and potential investors in IBF, especially in SEE.

The contemporary finance deals mainly with multilateral and multi-counterparty transactions. Islamic jurisprudence (Fiqh) has yet to develop its conceptualization of this modality of financing. Thus far, it has
become a norm for large financing projects to rely on a complex structure of interconnected bilateral contracts that in totality becomes opaque, complex and costly. An unfortunate result of the unavailability of an efficient Fiqhi model applicable to modern multilateral and multi-counterparty contracts has been the fact that the present Islamic finance has been forced to replicate conventional risk-transfer (interest rate based) debt contracts thus drawing severe criticisms of duplicating conventional finance. In 2012, a gathering of some of the Muslim world’s most prominent experts in Jurisprudence (Fuqaha) and economists issued the Kuala Lumpur Declaration (Fatwa) in which they identified risk sharing as the essence of Islamic finance. The Declaration opened the door for a new Fiqh approach to take the lead in developing the jurisprudence of multilateral and multi-counterparty transactions. This Declaration (Fatwa) provides a prime motivation to search for a comprehensive model of risk sharing that can serve as an archetypal contract encompassing all potential contemporary financial transactions. From the perspective of Islamic Jurisprudence (Fiqh), the technicalities of the concept of risk sharing in contemporary finance have yet to be defined in Islamic literature. This book attempts to clarify and shed light on these technicalities from the perspective of Fiqh. It is a comprehensive study that relies on the fundamental Islamic sources to establish a theoretical and practical perspective of Fiqh encompassing risk-sharing Islamic finance as envisioned in the Kuala Lumpur Declaration of 2012. This new paradigm should lead to a more efficient approach to multilateral and multi-counterparty Islamic contracts which, here-to-fore has been lacking in the current configuration of Islamic finance.

A guide to Islamic investment opportunities from the CEO of the world’s leading Islamic finance bank Offering an insider’s perspective on a rapidly growing sector of the financial industry, Investing in Islamic Funds details the basic principles of Islamic investing for Muslims and non-Muslims alike. It explains how Islamic equity and fixed-income products differ from traditional funds, and how they deliver excellent results while still conforming to Sharia principles. Using hard data from the last six years, the book also reveals how Islamic funds have offered predictable, reliable returns in volatile markets and turbulent financial times. For institutional investors as well as sophisticated individual investors, the book serves as an excellent introduction to the subject and surveys the full range of products available. Additionally, the book will arm financial services professionals with the knowledge they need to explain this new investment opportunity to clients. One of the few books available that offers comprehensive data on the performance of Islamic funds in addition to the underlying theory that governs them Written by the CEO of CIMB-Principal Islamic Asset Management, the world’s leading Islamic finance bank Features charts, case studies, comparative analysis, and a tabular data format Debunks the misconceptions traditional investors may have about the profitability Islamic funds For professional and institutional investors, as well as private investors looking for new opportunities, Investing in Islamic Funds offers a much-needed primer on this fast-growing market.

Most existing texts covering topics in Islamic finance discuss the potential of Islamic banking; very few talk about other forms of financing and the investment activities of Islamic firms from the standpoint of owners and managers. This book fills this gap by looking at the traditional as well as non-traditional financing and investment activities of shariah-compliant companies. The chapters in this edited text offer a full range of topics on corporate finance for Islamic firms, including global comparisons of shariah screening, dividend policy and capital structure of Islamic firms, details of global Islamic equity markets, trends and performance of sukuk markets, and a brief account of derivative securities that can be used in Islamic finance. This is a useful reference for anyone who wishes to learn more about the performance of shariah-compliant companies vis-à-vis conventional firms. The book includes both technical and non-technical information that would be suitable for classroom teaching as well as a reference for postgraduate research students.

In this issue, we have presented issues relevant to the most recent debate on the performance, practices, and principles of the Islamic finance industry as a whole, covering eleven distinct issues.

A practical and accessible guide to Islamic finance that helps demystify the differences with conventional banking, enabling practitioners to develop Sharia compliant products for customers. The Islamic Finance industry is estimated to be worth $1.2 trillion and is growing globally at over 10% per year. Mastering Islamic Finance will give practitioners an understanding of Islamic finance, from the basic techniques, through to advanced applications. Helping to demystify and clarify the differences with conventional banking, it will enable practitioners to develop Sharia compliant products for customers. According to Sharia law there are strict rules on how financial services and products can be designed; in Islamic Finance money cannot make money and the subject of the finance must be an asset or a verifiable, real trade or business activity. Sharia compliant financial instruments have been devised to enable Muslims to abide by the principles of Islam and still make the most of their money. Mastering Islamic Finance will equip readers with an understanding of Islamic financial instruments so they can sensibly apply them in practice. For each instrument there is a definition of the concept and how it differs from its equivalent in conventional banking. There are also
examples and case studies to highlight practical applications.

Although Islamic finance is one of the fastest growing segments of emerging global financial markets, its concepts are not fully exploited especially in the areas of economic development, inclusion, access to finance, and public policy. This volume is to improve understanding of the perspective of Islamic finance on economic development, social and economic justice, human welfare, and economic growth.

The rapid growth of Islamic banking has attracted much attention lately in the economic literature. At the same time, a mature body of the literature has shown that financial development is broadly conducive to economic growth, which raises the question as to whether a similar conclusion holds for Islamic banking. Against this backdrop, this paper investigates the relationship between Islamic banking development and economic growth in a sample of low and middle income countries, using data over the period 1990-2010. The results show that, notwithstanding its relatively small size compared to the economy and the overall size of the financial system, Islamic banking is positively associated with economic growth even after controlling for various determinants, including the level of financial depth. The results are robust across across different specifications, sample composition and time periods.

As an emerging global phenomenon, Islamic economics and the financial system has expanded exponentially in recent decades. Many components of the industry are still unknown, but hopefully, the lack of awareness will soon be stilled. The Handbook of Research on Theory and Practice of Global Islamic Finance provides emerging research on the latest global Islamic economic practices. The content within this publication examines risk management, economic justice, and stock market analysis. It is designed for financiers, banking professionals, economists, policymakers, researchers, academicians, and students interested in ideas centered on the development and practice of Islamic finance.

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