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**Speaker: Dato' Dr Nik Norzrul Thani**

Chairman & Senior Partner of Zaid Ibrahim & Co., Malaysia

Presentation topic: "Demystifying Islamic Finance"

**Schedule:**

18:00 Welcome Drink

18:30 ACCA/CFA Society Welcome Remarks

**18:35** Presentation by **Dato' Dr Nik Norzrul Thani** on "Demystifying Islamic Finance"

19:30 Networking & Buffet Dinner

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## **Dato' Dr Nik Norzrul Thani**

Chairman & Senior Partner of Zaid Ibrahim & Co., Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

### **Practice Areas**

Islamic Finance & Banking  
Corporate Banking  
International Finance  
Corporate & Debt Restructuring  
Mergers & Acquisitions (M&A)  
Regulatory & Compliance

### **Experience**

With his nearly 20 years of experience Dato' Dr Nik is one of the top experts in Islamic Finance in the world. Dato' Dr Nik advises clients on a wide range of legal matters incorporating Islamic finance, banking, offshore finance, debt restructuring, international, corporate and commercial law. Dato' Dr Nik has also advised clients on debt and corporate restructuring transactions, and on the issuance of private debt securities including Islamic financial instruments (domestic and international).

### **Career**

Dato' Dr Nik Norzrul Thani is Chairman and Senior Partner of Zaid Ibrahim & Co., the largest law firm in Malaysia.

### **References**

Dato' Dr Nik has been listed in International Financial law Review (IFLR) *Guide to the world's leading Islamic finance lawyers*. He has also been named as *ALB Hot 100 Pre-eminent Asia-Pacific Lawyers* by the Asian Legal Business magazine.

### **Publications**

He is the author of "Legal Aspects of The Malaysian Financial System", "The Law and Practice of Islamic Banking & Finance" and "An Introduction to Islamic and Conventional Corporate Finance" (published by Sweet & Maxwell Asia).

### **Qualifications and Engagements**

- Advocate and solicitor of the High Court of Malaya
- Appointed as the Deputy Chairman of the Central Bank of Malaysia's Harmonisation of Islamic Finance Laws Committee on Islamic Finance
- Appointed by the Ministry of International Trade & Industry to represent Malaysia in the Malaysia-Singapore Business Council (MSBC)
- Member of the Central Bank of Malaysia's Law Reform Committee on Islamic Banking and Finance in Malaysia

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## **Presentation Synopsis: "Demystifying Islamic Finance"**

- the origin and concept of modern Islamic Finance
- financial instruments and products premised and predicated by these Islamic concepts including Sukuk
- an overview of the regulatory framework of global Islamic Finance
- a review of the various misconceptions of Islamic Finance that has cascaded through the years
- the future prospects of Islamic Finance within the context of the current financial crisis and the juxtaposition of Islamic Finance within the ever changing financial architecture.

At a time when the application of Islamic law beyond the traditional borders of the Islamic world provokes reactions, ranging from curiosity to incomprehension, it is worthwhile to observe that transactions, which adapt cutting edge legal structures employed in international financial markets to effectuate Shari'a compliance, lie at the heart of a substantial global Islamic Finance industry.