Selçuk Koç, Director General, COMCEC Coordination Office

Mr. KOÇ graduated from Middle East Technical University, International Relations Department, in 2002. Mr. KOÇ has an MS Degree in Economic Development - International Affairs Department from Columbia University (SIPA). He has worked for the Former Ministry of Development and Undersecretariat of State Planning Organization. He has also worked as the Deputy Director General at Turkish Public Employment Agency. Mr. KOÇ is the Director General of COMCEC Coordination Office.

Korkmaz Ergun, CEO & Member of the Board, Borsa İstanbul

Korkmaz Ergun earned his undergraduate degree at Ankara University Faculty of Political Science, Department of Business Administration and started his career at Borsa İstanbul the same year. He completed his masters' degree and PhD at Marmara University, Faculty of Economics. Having 28 years of Stock Exchange and Capital Markets experience, Ergun has administered the evaluation of the initial public offerings of numerous companies, and the examination and market activities of the companies listed on Borsa İstanbul. Moreover, Ergun is the Deputy Chairman of Takasbank Board of Directors. He is also a Board Member of the World Federation of Exchanges (WFE).

Mahmut Aydoğmuş, Director International Relations, Borsa İstanbul

Mahmut Aydoğmuş joined Borsa İstanbul in 2012 and held several managerial positions including strategic planning, investor relations and international relations. He is the managing editor of Borsa İstanbul Review, a highly prestigious international academic journal in finance. He also manages secretariat role of Borsa İstanbul for the Organization of Islamic Cooperation Exchanges Forum, bringing together more than 47 exchanges annually to discuss ideas, share know-how and implement ambitious cooperation projects. Previously he worked as a specialist and senior specialist at the Global Partnerships and Trust Funds Department of the World Bank in Washington DC from 2004 to 2012. He graduated from Hacettepe University, Faculty of Engineering in Ankara. He completed his master's degree on Management Information Systems at University of Baltimore in USA and his PhD on Finance at Istanbul University. He attended Islamic Finance Summer School of Durham University in UK. He holds capital market activities advanced level license and corporate governance rating license from Capital Markets Board of Türkiye.

Ninjin Altangerel, Specialist, Borsa İstanbul

Ninjin Altangerel works as an International Relations Specialist at Borsa İstanbul. She has a Bachelor's degree in Business Administration, a Master's degree in Data Analysis, and is a CFA Level I holder.

Oğuz Zıddıoğlu, Portfolio Manager, Ziraat Portföy

Oğuz Zıddıoğlu began his career in the banking sector working for Fortis Bank during 2007 and 2010, first in the Bahrain branch followed by the Malta branch. He was an equity analyst for Halk Asset Management in Türkiye between 2012 and 2018. At the same time, he also acted as a consultant for Karoll Capital Management—an asset management firm based in Sofia, Bulgaria—between the years of 2017 and 2020. He later spent two years as a Portfolio Manager at Tacirler Asset Management, one of the largest independent asset managers in Türkiye, before continuing his portfolio management career with Ziraat Asset Management, the largest asset management company in Türkiye. He has been employed by Ziraat Asset Management since 2020, where he manages several pension and mutual funds, including the S&P/OIC COMCEC 50 Shariah Stock Fund.

Mehmet Asutay, Professor of Middle Eastern and Islamic Political Economy & Finance, Durham University Business School Director, Durham Centre for Islamic Economics and Finance

Mehmet Asutay has a BA in Public Finance from the University of Istanbul (Turkey); continued for MSc in Public Finance at the University of Istanbul; has a Postgraduate Diploma in Economic and Social Policy Analysis, University of York (UK); MA in Economics of Public Policy, Department of Economics of the University of Leicester (UK); Ph.D. in Political Economics, University of Leicester (UK).

Asutay joined the School of Government and International Affairs at Durham University in 2005 and later moved to Durham University Business School in January 2014 with the transfer of all Islamic finance-related programmes to the DUBS.

Asutay teaches and supervises research on Islamic Political Economy; Islamic Moral Economy; Islamic Banking, Finance and Management; and Political Economy of Development in the Middle East, including Turkish Political Economy and Kurdish Political Economy.

He is the Director of the Durham Centre for Islamic Economics and Finance, the Programme Director for MSc in Islamic Finance and MSc in Islamic Finance & Management, and the Director of the Durham Islamic Finance Summer School.

Mehmet is the Editor-in-Chief of the American Journal of Islamic and Society, Editor-in-Chief of the *Review of Islamic Economics*, and in the Editorial Board of the *International Journal of Islamic and Middle Eastern Finance and Management* and *Borsa Istanbul Review*.

He is a board member of the IAIE (International Association for Islamic Economics).

Omar Mustafa Ansari, Secretary General, Accounting and Auditing Organization for Islamic Financial Institutions (AAOIFI)

Omar is working at the Accounting and Auditing Organization for Islamic Financial Institutions (AAOIFI) – global Islamic finance standard setter, as its Secretary General. Previously he was Partner – Assurance & Head of Islamic Finance (Pakistan & Afghanistan) at Ernst & Young Pakistan. He is a Fellow member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Pakistan (ICAP).

At AAOIFI, he is responsible for managing the overall affairs of the institution as the organization's operational head, as well as, leading the process of development of accounting, auditing, governance and ethics standards for the global Islamic finance industry and coordinating with and supporting its technical boards.

Omar's key areas of expertise include regulations and standards related to Islamic finance, banking and Takaful, as well as, assurance and advisory services to Islamic financial institutions, including Islamic accounting advisory, audits, Shari'ah Audits, corporate finance advisory, structuring of Shari'ah compliant transactions, accountancy and financial reporting, Islamic finance training, financial modelling, risk management and development / review of manuals, SOPs and systems.

His published books include:

1. Managing Finances - A Shariah Compliant Way;
2. Islamic Microfinance Bank: Working Model (in Urdu);
3. IFRS and Shari'ah based reporting: a conceptual study;
4. Textbook on Islamic finance and capital markets (for the Institute of Capital Markets, SECP – Pakistan);
5. AAOIFI's CIPA program study texts (in the capacity of chief editor and reviewer) comprising 4 volumes on (i) Accounting and Financial Reporting; (ii) Shari'ah Standards and Shari'ah Governance; (iii) Audit, Assurance and Ethics; and (iv) Business and regulatory environment.

He was also the team leader and editor for translation of AAOIFI Shari'ah standards in Urdu.

Omar is a member of Securities & Exchange Commission of Pakistan's (SECP) Shari'ah Advisory Committee (SAC) and had earlier been a member of SECP's Shari'ah Board and part of its committee for revision of Takaful Rules, besides being part of several committees and task forces of the State Bank of Pakistan. Omar is a member (ex-chairman) of ICAP's working group / committee responsible for development of Islamic financial accounting standards for Pakistan and also a member of ICAP's Insurance Committee leading the accounting regulations development for Takaful. He has also worked as an advisor to Saudi Organization for Certified Public Accountants (SOCPA) on Shari'ah issues concerning IFRS adoption.

He has contributed several articles in various newspapers and journals, and papers in conferences and is the founder and managing editor of AAOIFI's Journal for Islamic Finance Accountancy (JOIFA). He is also a professional trainer and regular speaker on various forums on topics related to Islamic finance including international events and conferences, universities and professional bodies.

Tarık Akın, Head of Finance Department, Investment and Finance Office of the Presidency of the Republic of Türkiye

Tarık Akın (PhD.) currently serves as the Head of Finance Department at Investment and Finance Office of the Presidency of the Republic of Türkiye. The Department has four main units, namely, participation finance, fintech, financial investments, and financial markets. Dr. Akın was the Head of the Department of Participation Finance at Finance Office of the Presidency of the Republic of Türkiye between 2021 and 2025. Dr. Akın also worked at the Undersecretariat of Treasury, Islamic Financial Services Board (IFSB), World Bank, UNDP, Silatech-Qatar, and Center for International Development (CID) at Harvard University. He was SC-OCIS Visiting Fellow in Islamic Finance at University of Oxford for the academic year 2019-2020. He earned his bachelor's degree from Bilkent University, master's degree from Harvard University and PhD. degree from INCEIF University. His main areas of expertise include Islamic finance, capital markets, macro-financial linkages, and redistribution policies.

Umar Oseni, Secretary General, Organisation of Islamic Cooperation Arbitration Centre (OIC-AC)

Dr. Umar A. Oseni, FCIArb is an independent arbitrator, mediator, and global expert in dispute resolution, currently serving as the Secretary General of the Organisation of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) Arbitration Centre in Istanbul. With a career spanning high-level multilateral governance, academia, and legal practice, he is a leading authority on the intersection of international law, financial technology, and Islamic finance.

Dr. Oseni’s dispute resolution expertise is vast, covering International Investment and Commercial disputes, TMT arbitration, and emerging sectors such as Blockchain, AI, and Fintech (including SAFE agreements). He is globally recognized for his specialization in Islamic Finance and Structured Finance disputes, including Sukuk and syndicated financing, and frequently serves as a neutral in cases involving Arab and Islamic law jurisdictions.

Previously, Dr. Oseni was the Chief Executive Officer and General Counsel of the International Islamic Liquidity Management Corporation (IILM), a multilateral financial organization. His leadership extends to several high-level boards, including the Governance and Ethics Board of AAOIFI, the Financial Regulation Advisory Council of Experts of the Central Bank of Nigeria, and the Advisory Board of the UN International Organization for Migration’s Islamic Philanthropy Fund. He is also the Mufti of Auchi Sacred Kingdom in Edo State.

Dr. Oseni is a globally recognized thought leader with an extensive publication record of over 120 works. His research and commentary cover critical, fast-evolving sectors including financial technology, Islamic finance law, comparative jurisprudence, and Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR), with a particular focus on arbitration. As a trusted authority at the intersection of law and financial innovation, Dr. Oseni leverages his prolific scholarly background to provide strategic insights and legal solutions to international organizations, regulatory bodies, and corporate entities worldwide.

His recent books include Islamic Finance and the Pursuit of Sustainable Prosperity (UK: Edward Elgar, 2025), Islamic Contract Law (UK: Oxford University Press, 2024), Waqf Development and Innovation: Socio-Economic and Legal Perspectives (UK: Routledge, 2022) and the pioneering Fintech in Islamic Finance (UK: Routledge, 2019). He has held academic positions as an Associate Professor of International and Comparative law at IIUM and a Visiting Fellow at Harvard Law School, where he completed a postdoctoral fellowship in dispute management.

Dr. Oseni holds a PhD in Law (court-annexed ADR) and Master of Comparative Law (with specialization in maritime arbitration) from the IIUM, a Professional Master of Law in Financial Laws from York University, Canada, and is a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (UK). Dr. Oseni had his Bachelor of Laws (Common Law and Sharīʻah) from the University of Ilorin.

Apart from being a solicitor and advocate of the Supreme Court of Nigeria, he is also a solicitor and barrister of the Law Society of Ontario, Canada. As a Harvard-certified negotiator, he continues to consult for major global bodies, including the Islamic Development Bank Group, central banks and various United Nations agencies.

Esra Sümeyye Dilberoğlu, **Director, Borsa İstanbul**

Esra Sümeyye Dilberoğlu is the Director of Project Management and Planning at Borsa İstanbul and the Program Manager of the T+1 Settlement Transition Program. With nearly two decades of experience in financial markets, IT, project and process management, and organizational transformation, she has led numerous strategic initiatives across public and private sectors.

A graduate of the University of Vienna in Mathematics with an MBA, Ms. Dilberoğlu is a TOGAF-certified Enterprise Architect and a certified Lead Auditor for ISO 20000 (IT Service Management), ISO 22301 (Business Continuity Management), and ISO 27001 (Information Security Management). Her expertise spans enterprise architecture, Project Portfolio Management, and business process management, with a proven track record of establishing Project Management Offices (PMOs) and implementing internationally accredited management systems. In her current role, she oversees strategic planning and project governance, coordinating cross-functional efforts among market participants, regulators, and financial institutions to facilitate Türkiye’s transition to a shorter settlement cycle. She is dedicated to strengthening market resilience and operational excellence through strategic program management.

Badiuddin Akber, CEO, Central Depository Company of Pakistan Limited (CDC)

Mr. Badiuddin Akber has been serving as the Chief Executive Officer of the Central Depository Company of Pakistan Limited (CDC) since January 1, 2019. With a remarkable 25 years of diversified senior management experience in finance and operations, Mr. Akber has held significant roles, including Chief Financial Officer and Chief Operating Officer at the National Clearing Company of Pakistan Limited, and Chief Compliance & Risk Officer at CDC. He has also served as Head of Finance and Company Secretary in various renowned conglomerates in Pakistan. He was also the nominated Chairman of the Oversight Committee formed by the Securities and Exchange Commission of Pakistan under Joint Inspection Regulations, 2015.

He is recognized as a trusted leader in Pakistan's capital market and has represented the country at international forums. As a matter of pride for CDC and Pakistan's financial and capital market, Mr. Akber is currently serving as Chairman of the Asia-Pacific Central Securities Depository Group (ACG) for the term of 2024-2027, and as ACG Chairman, he is also representing the Asia-Pacific region on the Executive Board of the World Forum of CSDs (WFC).

Mr. Akber has demonstrated extensive expertise in the spheres of Financial Management, Clearing & Settlement, Risk Management, Operations, Product Development and Project Management in the Pakistan Capital Market. As Chief Operating Officer at NCCPL, he played an instrumental role in the implementation of various significant products, services and reform measures which include Revamping of Capital Gain Tax Regime, Unique Identification Number (UIN), Institutions' Risk Management System, Straight Through Processing of Market Settlements and UIN Information System (UIS) and the introduction of Leverage Products such as Margin Trading, Margin Financing and Securities Lending & Borrowing.

Mr. Akber completed his Bachelor's Degree in Commerce from the University of Karachi and attained various professional degrees in accounts and finance from prestigious national and international institutions. He is a Fellow Member of the Institute of Cost & Management Accountants of Pakistan (FCMA), and holds the ACMA-CGMA (Chartered Global Management Accountants) qualification from the Chartered Institute of Management Accountants (CIMA – UK), as well as the Chartered Professional Accountant (CPA, CMA – Ontario, Canada) qualification.

In addition to his role at CDC, Mr. Akber serves as Chairman of the Board of Directors of CDC Share Registrar Services Limited. Moreover, he is also serving as a Director on the Board of ITMinds Limited, and Naymat Collateral Management Company Ltd. Mr. Akber also represents CDC on the Pakistan Business Council and has attended the Annual International Institute for Securities Market Growth and Development by the US Securities & Exchange Commission and various seminars and conferences in the UK, India, Europe, and Far-East countries on risk management, clearing & settlement, and surveillance of capital market operations.

Shehu Yahaya Shantali, CEO, Central Securities Clearing System Plc (CSCS) - Nigeria

Shehu Yahaya Shantali is a seasoned financial services executive and market infrastructure leader with over two decades of experience spanning capital market regulation, financial advisory, investment management, asset management, technology, and payment systems. He brings a rare, end-to-end understanding of the securities lifecycle—covering regulation, trading, clearing and settlement, custody, asset management, and digital financial platforms—positioning him as a trusted leader in post-trade and financial market infrastructure.

He began his career at the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) of Nigeria, where he spent a decade in regulatory oversight, financial control, and investment management roles. During this period, he contributed to regulatory frameworks governing Exchanges and Trade Points, Financial Market Infrastructure, and Securities Services Solution Providers, while also overseeing the SEC's institutional investment portfolio. He played key roles in market-wide reforms, including Nigeria's transition to International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) and the implementation of the contributory pension scheme, demonstrating strong capability in regulatory coordination and system-wide change management.

Shehu has held several C-Suite roles in investment management and advisory, including as Chief Executive Officer of Apricot Investments Limited, an investment holding company. In this role, he oversaw the establishment and scaling of multiple market-facing subsidiaries, strengthening his engagement with asset managers, custodians, brokers, and other critical participants across the post-trade ecosystem. Within the payments ecosystem, he served as Executive Director at Teasy Mobile Payments Ltd, where he supported the development and operation of a secure payment gateway utilized by various market operators. He managed end-to-end transaction authorization, clearing, reconciliation, and settlement with high system availability, and played a leading role in pioneering contactless payments and agency banking in Nigeria.

He has also served as a consultant to the UK Nigeria Infrastructure Advisory Facility (UKNIAF), advising on complex public-private partnerships and financing structures for major national infrastructure projects.

Shehu holds an B.Sc. in Accounting, an Executive MBA and an Executive Diploma in Strategic Project Management. He is a Fellow of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (UK), an Associate of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Nigeria, a Member of the Chartered Institute for Securities & Investment (UK), and Member of Global Association of Risk Professionals (GARP)US.

Güzhan Gülay, Executive Vice President, Borsa İstanbul

After graduating from the Faculty of Business Administration of Istanbul University in 1993, Güzhan Gülay completed Ziraat Bank Banking School and worked as a specialist in the Capital Markets Directorate of the same bank. He joined the Borsa İstanbul family as an assistant specialist in the Equity Markets Directorate in 1995, became a specialist in 1998, and a manager in 2014 in the same department. He was appointed the Business Development Director in 2018 and the Precious Metals and Precious Stones Director in 2019. He has acted in many projects by taking fundamental positions in designing, configuration, testing, legislation, and development for the improvement of the markets and infrastructure of Borsa Istanbul. After his master's and doctorate education, he acted as a visiting lecturer for a year at the City University of London Cass Business School and taught part-time at various universities. He became an Associate Professor in 2023.

Assel Mukazhanova, CEO, Astana International Exchange (AIX)

Assel Mukazhanova has served as CEO of AIX since September 2023, following her tenure as Chief Markets and Products Officer and Member of the Management Board.

With over 30 years of experience in banking and capital markets, she began her career in banking at a foreign exchange operations department of one of the Kazakh banks. Over time, she progressed into leadership roles focused on the bank's international business ultimately serving as Executive Director overseeing investor relations, debt and equity markets, strategy projects and M&A.

Ms. Mukazhanova has extensive experience working with the international business community. She has played a key role in numerous milestone transactions, including syndicated loans, Eurobond issuances (both public and private placements), ABS transactions. Her leadership extended to major M&A deals and strategic development initiatives. She was a part of the team that brought in a strategic investor, (EBRD) ahead of the first international IPO of a largest bank of Kazakhstan.

Assel Mukazhanova holds a degree in International Business from the Kazakh Academy of Management and has completed executive programs at London and Harvard Business Schools.

Dato' Fad'l Mohamed, CEO, Bursa Malaysia

Dato’ Fad’l Mohamed was appointed as the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Bursa Malaysia Berhad on 1 March 2025 and also serves as a director of subsidiary companies within the Bursa Malaysia Group.

He brings more than 30 years of experience across legal practice, capital markets, and investment banking. Prior to joining Bursa Malaysia, Dato’ Fad’l was Managing Director, Group Wholesale Banking at RHB Bank Berhad, and previously served as Chief Executive Officer of Maybank Investment Bank from 2018 to 2024.

Earlier in his career, he founded and led Maestro Capital Sdn Bhd, advising on mergers and acquisitions, capital raisings, and IPOs, and held roles at Dresdner Kleinwort Benson, the Securities Commission Malaysia, and Messrs Rashid & Lee.

Dato’ Fad’l obtained a Master in Business Administration from Imperial College London, UK and a Bachelor of Laws (Honours) degree from the University of London, UK. In addition, he holds a Certified Diploma in Accounting & Finance from The Chartered Association of Certified Accountants, and is a Fellow Chartered Banker with the Asian Institute of Chartered Bankers. Dato’ Fad’l is also a Certified Expert in Sustainable Finance, from the Frankfurt School of Finance & Management.

Pedro Frederico Cossa, Chairman, Mozambique Stock Exchange (Bolsa de Valores de Mozambique - BVM)

Pedro Frederico Cossa, 41, has been appointed Chairman of the Board of Directors (PCA) of the Mozambique Stock Exchange (BVM) during the General Assembly held on March 12, 2025, in Maputo. Cossa's career at BVM began in 2009, where he held several leadership positions, including Deputy Director of Operations. In July 2024, he assumed the role of Financial Administrator at the Municipal Mobility and Parking Company of Maputo City. Since 2016, Cossa has also served as a university lecturer and is the current president of the Mozambican Association of Economists (AMECON), contributing significantly to the development of Mozambique's economic sector.

An expert in Development Economics, Cossa holds a master's degree in the field from Eduardo Mondlane University and a bachelor's degree in Management and Finance from the Higher Institute of Transport and Communications. His commitment to continuing education is evidenced by additional certifications in Financial Literacy from the University of Pretoria, Financial Markets from the Banking Training Institute of Portugal, and the First Certificate in English from the University of Cambridge.

Between 2015 and 2020, Cossa served as a deputy in the Assembly of the Republic of Mozambique, integrating the Defense, Security, and Public Order Commission. He was also Secretary-General of the Mozambican Youth Organization (OJM) and held positions as financial and human resources administrator at the Municipal Mobility and Development Company (EMME).

With a solid trajectory in economics, financial markets, and public policies, Cossa has dedicated himself to training professionals, teaching subjects such as Financial Systems and Markets and Business Management. His analytical and strategic approach, combined with practical experience in governance, allows him to add value to initiatives that promote innovation and progress in Mozambique's economic sector.

Beyond his involvement in the economic sector, Cossa demonstrates a strong passion for promoting a sustainable environment through soft mobility. He believes that adopting sustainable transportation solutions, such as electric bicycles, can play a fundamental role in improving quality of life, reducing environmental impact, and building more inclusive and efficient cities.