

## **FAIZA ISMAIL**

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## **EDUCATION**

- 2016** PhD in Business and Law, University College Dublin, Ireland.  
**Thesis title:** Legal Uncertainties in the Global Islamic Finance Industry as Explored in the Irish Context  
**Supervisor:** Brian Hutchinson.  
**Doctoral advisers:** Dr Noel McGrath and Dr Joe McGrath.  
**Examination panel:** Professor Rodney Wilson, Professor Colin Scott and Dr Joe McGrath.
- 2012** LLM, Trinity College Dublin, Ireland.
- 2005** LLB, SM Law College Karachi, Pakistan.
- 2000** BCOM, Government College of Commerce and Economics, Karachi, Pakistan.

## **FUNDING ATTAINED**

- 2017** Travel Grant, Higher Education Commission, Pakistan worth € 1,600
- 2013-15** Irish Research Council Scholarship worth € 47,500.
- 2013-15** UCD-Matheson Islamic Finance Doctoral Award worth € 30,000.  
The award was created as a result of my advocacy. I approached UCD and Matheson (a Dublin based law firm) to persuade them of the importance of research in the area of Islamic financing. On the basis of my funding proposal the two entities funded my research on a 50:50 basis. My research led to the organization of an international conference at UCD, Islamic Finance and Law Conference 2015, in addition to my doctoral thesis.
- 2014** Islamic Development Bank (IDB), Sarajevo Islamic Finance and Economics Conference worth € 900.

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

**2016 to date**    **Assistant Professor**                      **Lahore University of Management Sciences,  
Pakistan**

Currently, I am working as an Assistant Professor (Tenure tracked) at the LUMS, Pakistan. I teach International Finance Law, Legal Reasoning and Pakistan Legal System. Additionally, I examine Islamic finance disputes in Pakistan's banking courts. My research also conducts a comparative analysis of the Islamic financial instruments in the UK and Pakistan to resolve Islamic finance disputes.

**2013-2016**    **Tutor**    **University College Dublin, Ireland  
Sutherland School of Law**

I taught Contract Law, Criminal Law and Legal Studies Skills. As a tutor I planned and led four seminars every week for LLB students. As a Legal Studies Skills tutor I facilitated seminars to teach legal skills to undergraduates.

**2015-2016**    **Tutor**    **University College Dublin, Ireland  
Writing Center**

I assisted students from all across the university in developing their academic writing skills in a clinical setting in a one-to-one format. As a tutor in the writing center, I provided students with an understanding of research, academic writing structure, literature review, critical thinking and feedback from module coordinator. I also conducted seminars on 'Writing in Law'.

**2014**                      **Guest lecture**    **University College Dublin, Ireland**  
'International Commercial Arbitration and Islamic Arbitration Principles with Reference to Islamic Finance'.

**2014**                      **Guest lecture**    **Institute of Business Administration  
(IBA), Karachi, Pakistan**  
'Introduction to Legal Studies'.

## PUBLICATIONS

### Current publication

'Islamic Financing in Europe: Recent Developments in Ireland' (2017) *Company Lawyer* 38(2) *Company Lawyer* 48-54.

'A Commentary on Islamic finance Case Law in the United States' (2015) 36 (4) *Company Lawyer* 123-128.

'Islamic Finance Euro Zone Headquarter in Ireland: Is enough done to ensure the Middle East investment streams through the International Financial Services Centre, Ireland?' (2013) 1 *Commercial Law Practitioner* 7-17.

'Guantanamo Bay: A Human Disaster as a Consequence of Disregard to International Laws' (2011) 1 *European Law Student Association* 109-140.

## **Future projects**

A monograph of my PhD thesis is planned to be sent for publication to Cambridge University Press.

‘Obstacles in Standardisation Process of Islamic Principles and Islamic Finance Market Practices’ is planned to be published in Journal of International Economic Law.

‘Relationship between organisational structure in Islamic financial institutions and PNL sharing principles’ is planned to be published in Journal of Islamic Finance.

‘Bankruptcy regime in Islamic laws in comparison to conventional laws’ is planned to be published in Legal Studies.

‘Emergence of Islamic finance transnational legal system’ will be published in International Financial Law Review.

‘Shariah Supervisory Boards: Civil liability, multiple qualifications for scholars and restriction on sitting on multiple Shariah boards’ will be published in Journal of Banking Regulation.

## **ORGANISATIONAL SKILLS**

**October 2017**                      **Organised a talk on ‘Sharing the Legal and Regulatory Experience of Islamic Finance in the UK’**                      **LUMS, Pakistan**

**May 2015**                      **Organiser, Islamic Finance and Law Conference (IFLC) University College Dublin, Ireland** (<http://www.ucd.ie/law/iflc2015/>)

I raised € 13,000 from academic and non-academic sponsors. Speakers invited were Dr. Zamir Iqbal, Head of World Bank Global Islamic Finance Development Center, Dr Martyn Moloney, Head of Markets Policy, Central Bank of Ireland and Professor Rodney Wilson, Durham University, UK. Nine speakers and eleven presenters spoke at the IFLC. The event was attended by 60 plus audience. In order to conduct the event, I constituted an organizing committee comprising of 13 members, which contributed positively towards the success of the event.

**May 2014**                      **Secretary Workshop, World Trade Organisation in Legal Context: Challenges of the Past and Prospects for the Future, University College Dublin, Ireland** (<http://www.ucd.ie/law/phdworkshop/>)

I worked on all the administrative tasks i.e. setting agenda with main organiser, calling team meetings, writing minutes for meetings; to ensure the prompt and efficient organisation of the event. I convinced Clarus press to be one of the sponsors (sponsorship worth € 350) supporting the workshop. Fifteen specialists presented at the event.

## ACADEMIC CONFERENCES

- 2017**      **University of Lancaster, UK**  
'Charity in Islamic Banks and Charity in Law'
- 2016**      **Business and Law Regulation, Sutherland School of Law, University College Dublin**  
'Financial Regulators and Shariah Supervisory Boards'
- 2015**      **Islamic Finance and Law Conference 2015, University College Dublin, Ireland** (<http://www.ucd.ie/law/iflc2015/>)  
'Islamic Financing in Europe: Recent Development in Ireland'.
- 2015**      **Islamic Principles on Accounting, Finance, Economics and Management (IPAFEM), University of Glasgow, United Kingdom**  
(<http://www.ipafem.org/home>)  
'Shariah Supervisory Boards and Financial Regulators'.
- 2014**      **Sarajevo Islamic Finance and Economics Conference, Bosnia**  
([http://islamicfinanceeurope.com/images/SIFEC2014\\_PROGRAM.pdf](http://islamicfinanceeurope.com/images/SIFEC2014_PROGRAM.pdf))  
'Sukuk and IF Regulatory Issues'.
- 2014**      **Trinity Law Student Colloquium 2014, Trinity College Dublin, Ireland**  
(<http://www.colloquium.ie/category/colloquium-2014/>)  
'Competition among European Countries to promote Islamic Financing: Recent Developments in Ireland'.
- 2012**      **Trinity Law Student Colloquium 2012, Trinity College Dublin, Ireland**  
<http://www.tcd.ie/Law/studentcolloquium/Colloquium%20programme%202012.pdf>)  
'Euro zone Debt Crisis: Ireland and Islamic Finance'.

## ACADEMIC RESEARCH VISIT

- 2014**      **Academic Research Visitor, Durham Business School, United Kingdom**

I visited Durham Centre for Islamic Economics and Finance (May-August 2014) under the supervision of Prof Mehmet Asutay. I examined the risk mechanism of the Islamic financing industry in the UK and explored Irish financial regulatory framework to accommodate the Islamic finance risk mechanism in the country.

## **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

**2015**                      **Intern**                                      **Islamic Finance Council, UK**

I conducted preliminary research for the Council on various projects. I assisted the Council in its report 'Internal Shariah Audit'. During the course of my work with the Council, I represented the Council at Global Ethical Finance Forum 2015, Edinburgh.

**2012**                      **Secretary Coordinator**                      **Islamic Cultural Centre of Ireland**

As a secretary, I dealt, largely independently with routine internal and external correspondence for the ICCI. I assisted in the organization of various events, such as workshops, courses and seminars and compiled weekly reports for Chief Executive Office.

**2012**                      **Auditor**                                      **Meridian VAT Processing Ireland**

I analysed clients' expense reports under supervisor's instructions. I processed tax receipts according to the company's policy. I ensured accuracy in the process and attention to details and compliance with company's code of conduct.

## **PROFESSIONAL CONFERENCES**

**2014**      **Presentation, Matheson** (a Dublin based law firm:  
<http://www.matheson.com/>).  
'Islamic financing progress in Ireland'.

**2010**      **Inside Deloitte-Interactive Case Study Event 2010, Deloitte & Touche.**  
Awarded with best presentation prize.

## **SPEECH AND WORKSHOP**

**2016**      Research and Writing Workshop

**2015**      Guest speech, Islamic Cultural Centre of Ireland (<http://islamireland.ie/>)  
'High Achievements and Women'.

## **EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES**

**2014-15**      Volunteer-Human Appeal, Ireland (<http://humanappeal.ie/>).

**2010**      Mentor-Student 2 Student Peer Mentor Programme, Trinity College Dublin, Ireland (<https://student2student.tcd.ie/>).

**2009**      Volunteer-Trinity St Vincent de Paul society Dublin (<http://trinityvdp.com/>).