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“Balanced Clauses & Innovative Methods of ADR”

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Agenda

Day 1 – Thursday, 22 Jumada Al-Awwal 1447 AH | Corresponding to 13 November 2025

08:00 – 09:00 – Welcoming Guests and Registration

09:00 – 10:00 – Opening Ceremony

- **UAE National Anthem**
- **Recitation of Verses from the Holy Quran**
- **Opening Remarks by:**
 - H.E. Prof. Jassim Ali Salem Alshamsi, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, International Islamic Centre for Reconciliation and Arbitration (IICRA)
 - H.E. Abdullah Sultan Awad Al Nuaimi, Minister of Justice and Honorary Patron of the Conference
 - Launch of the Model Islamic-Based Construction Contract (IBCC - 2025)
 - Presented by Dr. Rami Sulaiman Abu Daqqa, Secretary General of IICRA, and Eng. Dr. Kamal Adnan Malas, Chairman of the Drafting Committee of the Model Islamic-Based Construction Contract (IBCC - 2025)
 - Video Presentation: Introduction to the Model Islamic-Based Construction Contract (IBCC - 2025)
- **Signing of Cooperation Agreements**
- **Honoring Ceremony for Sponsors and Conference Partners**

10:00 – 10:15 – Break and Official Opening of the Conference

First Session | 10:15 – 11:15

“The Model Islamic-Based Construction Contract (IBCC - 2025): Reality and Aspirations”

Chaired by H.E. Counselor Dr. Mohammed Mahmoud Al Kamali, Director General, Institute of Training and Judicial Studies, Ministry of Justice

10:15 – 10:30 – Paper I

“Rationale for Launching the Model Islamic-Based Construction Contract (IBCC - 2025)”

This paper addresses the current challenges and gaps faced by stakeholders in the contracting sector within jurisdictions governed by civil law or Islamic law. It outlines proposed solutions to address these gaps, emphasizing the importance of drafting model contracts that are fully compliant with both civil law requirements and Shari’ah provisions. It further highlights the necessity of ensuring that such contracts effectively meet the needs of all parties involved including employers, contractors, and financing institutions (particularly Islamic banks) while upholding the fundamental principles of justice and fairness.

Presented by Eng. Dr. Kamal Adnan Malas, Chairman of the Drafting Committee of the Model Islamic-Based Construction Contract (IBCC - 2025)

10:30 – 10:45 – Paper II

“The Nature and Key Features of the Model Islamic-Based Construction Contract (IBCC - 2025)”

This paper provides a comprehensive overview of the Model Islamic-Based Construction Contract (IBCC - 2025), including its form, structure, and content, as well as the stages of its drafting and approval. It further explains the contract’s most prominent characteristics and outlines the plans for its adoption at both local and international levels.

Presented by Mr. Robert A Sliwinski, Mediator, Adjudicator and Independent Arbitrator

10:45 – 11:00 – Paper III

“Expected Impact of the Model Islamic-Based Construction Contract (IBCC - 2025) and Future Outlook for Smart Contracts”

This paper examines the anticipated impact of the Model Islamic-Based Construction Contract (IBCC - 2025) at both regional and international levels, with particular emphasis on Arab and Islamic countries. It also provides a forward-looking perspective on potential developments toward the adoption of smart contracts.

Presented by Eng. Iryna Akulenska, Director, Construction Claims and Expert Services at HKA

11:00 – 11:15 – Discussion

11:15 – 11:30 – Break

Second Session | 11:30 – 12:30

“Impediments to the Contracting Sector and the Role of the Model Islamic-Based Construction Contract (IBCC - 2025) in Addressing Them”

Chaired by Mr. Mohammed Alsuwaidi, Founding and Managing Partner of Alsuwaidi & Company

11:30 – 11:45 – Paper IV

“Mechanisms for Approving and Paying Interim Payments, and the Role of the Consultant under the Model Islamic-Based Construction Contract (IBCC - 2025)”

This paper examines the practical issues that may arise in the processing of interim payments and could potentially lead to suspension of the contracting contract. It further explains the provisions of the Model Islamic-Based Construction Contract (IBCC - 2025) designed to address these issues and clarifies the role of the consulting engineer in the project.

Presented by Dr. Eng. Ayman Kamel Al Najjar, Secretary General, Arab Union for Investment and Real Estate Development

11:45 – 12:00 – Paper V

“Provisions of the Model Islamic-Based Construction Contract (IBCC - 2025) Regarding Changes”

This paper analyzes the provisions governing changes in the scope of work, additional work, and variations (both increases and decreases) under the Model Islamic-Based Construction Contract (IBCC - 2025), and their impact on the rights and obligations of the parties involved.

Presented by Dr. Eng. Bashar Taesser Samha, Vice President, Arab Union for Investment and Real Estate Development

12:00 – 12:15 – Paper VI

“Force Majeure in Light of the Provisions of the Model Islamic-Based Construction Contract (IBCC - 2025)”

This paper assesses the nature and scope of force majeure events affecting contractual obligations from the perspective of Shari'ah Standard No. 36 issued by the Accounting and Auditing Organization for Islamic Financial Institutions (AAOIFI). It further identifies their impact on the rights and obligations of contracting and subcontracting parties, including provisions related to termination, in accordance with the Model Islamic-Based Construction Contract (IBCC - 2025).

Presented by Professor Abdul-Rahim Sabouni, Chief Academic Advisor (CAA) of The Emirates Scholars Research Centre

12:15 – 12:30 – Discussion

12:30 – 14:30 – Dhuhr Prayer & Lunch Break

Third Session | 14:30 – 15:30

“Final Payment, Project Handover, and Warranty Mechanism under the Model Islamic-Based Construction Contract (IBCC - 2025)”

Chaired by Mr. Ammar Ahmed, Chief Executive Officer, Dar Al Sharia

14:30 – 14:45 – Paper VII

“Mechanisms for Determining Final Payment Values in a Contracting Project under the Model Islamic-Based Construction Contract (IBCC - 2025)”

This paper evaluates the practical issues that may arise in processing final payments and could potentially lead to suspension of the subcontract agreement. It further explains the provisions of the Model Islamic-Based Construction Contract (IBCC - 2025) designed to address such issues and clarifies the role of the consulting engineer in the project.

Presented by Eng. Wisal Nema, FICArb, Claims Consultant, Expert, Delay Analyst, Independent Arbitrator

14:45 – 15:00 – Paper VIII

“Mechanisms and Procedures for Project Delivery and Issuance of Completion Certificates under the Model Islamic-Based Construction Contract (IBCC 2025)”

This paper examines the mechanisms and procedures followed for project delivery, addresses obstacles that may prevent the issuance of the final Taking Over Certificate, and outlines the processes for settling project accounts in accordance with the provisions of the Model Islamic-Based Construction Contract (IBCC 2025).

Presented by Mr. Victor P Leginsky, Chartered Arbitrator and Certified Mediator

15:00 – 15:15 – Paper IX

“Warranty Mechanisms and Defect Liability Periods under the Model Islamic-Based Construction Contract (IBCC - 2025)”

This paper examines the provisions of the Model Islamic-Based Construction Contract (IBCC 2025) concerning warranty mechanisms and the defect liability period and explains their impact on the remaining rights and obligations of the parties involved.

Presented by Ms. Leonora Riesenburger, Chartered Arbitrator, Accreditor Mediator Certified ADR Practitioner

15:15 – 15:30 – Discussion

15:30 – 15:45 – Asr Prayer & Break

Fourth Session | 16:00 – 17:00

“Dispute Resolution and Arbitration under the Model Islamic-Based Construction Contract (IBCC - 2025)” Chaired by Dr. Yasser Al Hosani, Director General of the Sharjah Center for Islamic Economics

16:00 – 16:15 – Paper X

“Innovative Amicable Dispute Resolution Methods during and after Contract Implementation under the Model Islamic-Based Construction Contract (IBCC - 2025)”

This paper examines the procedures provided by the Model Islamic-Based Construction Contract (IBCC 2025) to facilitate amicable settlements between parties during contract implementation, either through a Dispute Resolution Board or via approved reconciliation rules (Innovative Dispute Resolution Board).

Presented by Ms. Ishraga Ali Abutaha, Independent Arbitrator, and IP Expert

16:15 – 16:30 – Paper XI

“Islamic Arbitration Mechanisms for Dispute Resolution under the Model Islamic-Based Construction Contract (IBCC -2025)”

This paper addresses the standard arbitration clause incorporated in the Model Islamic-Based Construction Contract (IBCC - 2025) and explains the procedures for institutional arbitration in accordance with the Rules of the International Islamic Centre for Reconciliation and Arbitration (IICRA).

Presented by Eng. Haitham Mokhtar Abdelaty (Expert, Arbitrator, Mediator)

16:30 – 16:45 – Paper XII

“IICRA: The Legal Arm of the Islamic Finance Industry”

This paper highlights the International Islamic Centre for Reconciliation and Arbitration’s (IICRA) 20-year legacy, key activities, and services. It also explores ways to enhance its legal services to align with developments in the Islamic financial industry, including the launch of the Model Islamic-Based Construction Contract (IBCC - 2025) and other notable initiatives.

Presented by Dr. Rami Sulaiman Abu Daqqa, Secretary General of IICRA

16:45 – 17:00 – Discussion

17:00 – 17:15 – Final Recommendations & Closing Statement

IICRA Workshop Arabic

Day 2 – Friday, 23 Jumada Al-Awwal 1447 AH | Corresponding to 14 November 2025

First Workshop | 09:00 – 12:00

Topic: Legal and Shari’ah Aspects of the Model Islamic-Based Construction Contract (IBCC 2025)

Delivered by Dr. Rami Abu Daqqa, General Secretary at International Islamic Centre for Reconciliation and Arbitration (IICRA) together with Eng. Dr. Kamal Malas, Chairman of the Drafting Committee of the Model Islamic-Based Construction Contract (IBCC – 2025)

09:00 – 10:30 – Session I

- Legal Aspects

10:30 – 12:00 – Session II

- Shari’ah Aspects

12:00 – 14:00 – Jumu’ah Prayer & Lunch Break

Second Workshop | 14:00 – 17:00

Topic: Technical Aspects of the Model Islamic-Based Construction Contract (IBCC 2025)

Delivered by Eng. Dr. Kamal Malas, Chairman of the Drafting Committee of the Model Islamic-Based Construction Contract (IBCC – 2025), and Eng. Wisal Nema, FICArb, Claims Consultant, Expert, Delay Analyst, Independent Arbitrator

14:00 – 15:30 – Session III

- Engineering Aspects

15:30 – 17:00 – Session IV

- Accounting Aspects

Note: Conference attendance is complimentary, and participants will receive a certificate of participation. Workshop participation requires a fee of AED 500, and a separate certificate will be issued to workshop attendees.