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The Islamic Reporting Initiative is an independent not-for-profit organization leading the creation of the world's first reporting standard for corporate sustainability and social responsibility (CSR) based on Islamic values.

ISLAM HAS OUTLINED CERTAIN FUNDAMENTAL PRINCIPLES THAT ARE IN LINE WITH HUMAN RIGHTS, AMONG OTHERS PROTECTION OF LIFE (HIFZ AL-NAFS); PROTECTION OF RELIGION (HIFZ AL-DÎN); PRESERVATION OF LINEAGE (HIFZ AL-NASL); PROTECTION OF PROPERTY RIGHTS (HIFZ AL-MÂL); AND PROTECTION OF THE MIND (HIFZ AL-AQL). THESE PRINCIPLES ARE ALSO STIPULATED IN INTERNATIONAL BILLS OF HUMAN RIGHTS, NAMELY THE UNIVERSAL DECLARATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS; THE INTERNATIONAL COVENANT ON CIVIL AND POLITICAL RIGHTS, AND THE INTERNATIONAL COVENANT ON ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND CULTURAL RIGHTS.

MARZUKI DARUSMAN, CHAIR OF FIHRST, ASSOCIATION FOR INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS REPORTING STANDARDS

THE OIC IS DEDICATED TO PRESERVING AND PROMOTING ISLAMIC VALUES OF PEACE, EQUALITY, HUMAN DIGNITY, AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROSPERITY. THE IRI, IN ITS JOURNEY TOWARDS MAKING BUSINESS RESPONSIBLE THROUGH THE APPLICATION OF CSR AND CSR REPORTING, HAS MANY VALUES ALIGNED WITH OUR OWN. THE OIC COMMENDS THE IRI IN ITS EFFORTS IN PROMOTING ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROSPERITY IN A MANNER THAT IS NOT ONLY IMPACT-ORIENTED AND SUSTAINABLE, BUT CULTURALLY RELEVANT AND RESPONSIVE

ORGANISATION OF ISLAMIC COOPERATION (OIC) – THE COLLECTIVE VOICE OF THE MUSLIM WORLD

OPEN PUBLIC REPORTING IS ESSENTIAL IF BUSINESS IS TO BUILD AND MAINTAIN SOCIETAL TRUST. IT IS A KEY PART OF THE COMMITMENT TO THE PRINCIPLES OF THE UN GLOBAL COMPACT. SO I COMMEND THE AMBITIONS OF THE ISLAMIC REPORTING INITIATIVE; BY SEEKING TO EMPHASIZE AND BUILD ON OUR SHARED VALUES FOR HUMAN AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROSPERITY, THE IRI WILL ACCELERATE PROGRESSION TOWARDS THE OBJECTIVES OUTLINED IN THE UN SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS BY LEVERAGING BUSINESS POTENTIAL.

SIR MARK MOODY-STUART, CHAIRMAN, FOUNDATION FOR THE GLOBAL COMPACT

THE STATEMENT OF SUPPORT

TO OUR STAKEHOLDERS:

I AM PLEASED TO CONFIRM THAT IRI REAFFIRMS ITS SUPPORT TO THE UNITED NATIONS GLOBAL COMPACT AND ITS TEN PRINCIPLES IN THE AREAS OF HUMAN RIGHTS, LABOUR, ENVIRONMENT AND ANTI-CORRUPTION. THIS IS OUR COMMUNICATION ON ENGAGEMENT WITH THE UNITED NATIONS GLOBAL COMPACT. WE WELCOME FEEDBACK ON ITS CONTENTS.

IN THIS COMMUNICATION OF ENGAGEMENT, WE DESCRIBE THE ACTIONS THAT OUR ORGANIZATION HAS TAKEN TO SUPPORT THE UN GLOBAL COMPACT AND ITS PRINCIPLES AS SUGGESTED FOR AN ORGANIZATION LIKE OURS.

WE ALSO COMMIT TO SHARING THIS INFORMATION WITH OUR STAKEHOLDERS USING OUR PRIMARY CHANNELS OF COMMUNICATION.

SINCERELY YOURS,
DAAN ELFFERS
FOUNDER IRI

THE TEN PRINCIPLES OF THE UN GLOBAL COMPACT

HUMAN RIGHTS

PRINCIPLE 1: BUSINESSES SHOULD SUPPORT AND RESPECT THE PROTECTION OF INTERNATIONALLY PROCLAIMED HUMAN RIGHTS; AND

PRINCIPLE 2: MAKE SURE THAT THEY ARE NOT COMPLICIT IN HUMAN RIGHTS ABUSES.

LABOUR

PRINCIPLE 3: BUSINESSES SHOULD UPHOLD THE FREEDOM OF ASSOCIATION AND THE EFFECTIVE RECOGNITION OF THE RIGHT TO COLLECTIVE BARGAINING;

PRINCIPLE 4: THE ELIMINATION OF ALL FORMS OF FORCED AND COMPULSORY LABOUR;

PRINCIPLE 5: THE EFFECTIVE ABOLITION OF CHILD LABOUR; AND

PRINCIPLE 6: THE ELIMINATION OF DISCRIMINATION IN RESPECT OF EMPLOYMENT AND OCCUPATION.

ENVIRONMENT

PRINCIPLE 7: BUSINESSES SHOULD SUPPORT A PRECAUTIONARY APPROACH TO ENVIRONMENTAL CHALLENGES;

PRINCIPLE 8: UNDERTAKE INITIATIVES TO PROMOTE GREATER ENVIRONMENTAL RESPONSIBILITY; AND

PRINCIPLE 9: ENCOURAGE THE DEVELOPMENT AND DIFFUSION OF ENVIRONMENTALLY FRIENDLY TECHNOLOGIES.

ANTI-CORRUPTION

PRINCIPLE 10: BUSINESSES SHOULD WORK AGAINST CORRUPTION IN ALL ITS FORMS, INCLUDING EXTORTION AND BRIBERY.

The Islamic Reporting Initiative (IRI) is part of a growing international alliance of thought leaders who believe that the interconnectedness of global business provides a real opportunity to address social and environmental challenges by focusing on shared values.

Bound together by an unshakable trust in moral and socio-economic values, the Member States of the Organisation of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) share a set of cultural principles and beliefs which are in harmony with the notion of sustainability and corporate social responsibility.

The vision of the IRI is a sustainable global economy that contributes actively to society and the environment integrating the values of peace, compassion, tolerance, justice, environmental stewardship and human dignity into corporate culture.

The mission of the IRI is to enable organizations throughout the world to examine the values that guide their activities and express with clarity and simplicity their contribution to sustainability in society and the environment.

Commended by the OIC, and members in more than 50 countries, the IRI sees the values of peace, compassion, tolerance, justice, environmental stewardship and human dignity as a firm foundation for implementing corporate sustainability and social responsibility on a universal scale.

The IRI aims to provide a range of internationally-recognized business tools, guidelines and standards to accelerate the mainstream implementation of the shared post-2015 goals as outlined in both the OIC-2025 plan of action and the UN Sustainable Development Goals 2030.

IRI Reporting Standard Foundation is an EU Public Benefit Organization based in the Netherlands.

ABOUT THE ORGANISATION OF ISLAMIC COOPERATION (OIC)

Established in 1969, the Organisation of Islamic Cooperation is the second largest inter-governmental organization after the United Nations. The organization states that it is the collective voice of the Muslim world, safeguarding and protecting the interests of the Muslim world in the spirit of promoting international peace and harmony among various people of the world. The OIC has permanent delegations to the United Nations and the European Union. The OIC has 57 members, 56 of which are also member states of the United Nations. The collective population of OIC member states is approximately 1.68 billion as of 2014.

“The OIC is dedicated to preserving and promoting Islamic values of peace, equality, human dignity, and environmental prosperity. The IRI, in its journey towards making business responsible through the application of CSR and CSR reporting, has many values aligned with our own. The OIC commends the IRI in its efforts in promoting economic, social and environmental prosperity in a manner that is not only impact-oriented and sustainable, but culturally relevant and responsive”. -OIC, 2015

The principles of peace, compassion, tolerance, justice, charity, environmental stewardship and human dignity are not exclusive to any culture, race or religion. They are basic tenets of a civil society.

The vision and mission of the IRI reflects a desire to bring an inclusive set of values to corporate reporting. As a member of the UN Sustainable Development Solutions Network and the Global Sustainability Network, the IRI is part of a growing movement of individuals who are working together across cultures and borders to make the Global Goals a reality.



The Islamic Reporting Initiative held its inaugural Roundtable Discussion as an official side event of the UN Climate Change Conference of the Parties (COP22) in Marrakech.

The COP is the world's most prominent and influential summit on sustainability and climate change, attended by world leaders from 197 countries. COP22 was hosted by the Morocco Minister of the Environment and UN COP22 Special Envoy, H.E. Dr Hakima El Haité, herself a Member of the IRI Advisory Council.

"I am delighted that the Islamic Reporting Initiative has chosen COP22 as the venue for its inaugural Roundtable Discussion. The event marks a significant next step in transforming the IRI vision into action, and sends a strong message of its commitment to environmental stewardship."

H.E. Dr Hakima El Haité
Morocco Minister of the Environment
UN COP22 Special Envoy
Advisory Council Member of the IRI

ACTIONS TAKEN IN SUPPORT OF UN GLOBAL COMPACT PRINCIPLES

Islamic Reporting Initiative speaks at the UN in Geneva to discuss strategy and progress on the Sustainable Development Goals in Muslim majority countries

On Friday 5th October 2018, the Islamic Reporting Initiative (IRI) was invited to speak at a special event held at the Palais des Nations, home of the United Nations Office at Geneva (UNOG). The event was organized to celebrate the 49th anniversary of the Organisation of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) and focused on the strategic implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) by OIC Member States.

In his presentation, IRI Founder Daan Elffers emphasized the vast potential that can be drawn from the Islamic values shared by its members: “Achieving the SDGs will require a substantial paradigm shift across all sectors everywhere in the world. But by recognizing and strategically building on the intrinsic relationship between Islamic values and principles, and the values which underpin the SDGs, OIC countries already have a 1,400-year head start.”

Elffers made references to several scriptures in the Qur’an which specifically highlight the importance of ‘creating a world where no one is left behind’ in Islamic faith. He also presented the IRI’s recently-launched academic research project which focuses on examining the specific connections between scriptures in the Qur’an and the values which underpin the SDGs.

Founded in 1969, the OIC is the second-largest inter-governmental organization after the United Nations. The OIC has been a strong supporter of the IRI since its founding, in 2015.

In 2018 IRI was awarded the GIFA Championship Award in Sarajevo for its efforts to strategically promote the implementation of the SDGs in the Muslim world.

ACTIONS TAKEN IN SUPPORT OF UN GLOBAL COMPACT PRINCIPLES

IRI delivers training program on Sustainable development and Global Compact related topics in Oman

In March 2018, employees of the Al Jisr Foundation in Oman completed the IRI certified training program in sustainable development. The 3-day course was held at Al Jisr's office in Muscat and included stand-alone lectures, hands-on teamwork, and project-specific workshops during which the employees examined relevant examples of best practice.

Together, the staff formed a clear strategic vision for Al Jisr's contribution to the Sustainable Development Goals and made a start on finding effective sustainable solutions for community projects in which they are involved. The organization plans to produce its first annual sustainable development report in 2019.

Mohamed Amersi, Chairman of the IRI Board of Trustees, said: "We are delighted to have certified employees of the Al Jisr Foundation in Oman for their knowledge and expertise in sustainable development. Al Jisr is widely respected for its visionary leadership and track record in the field of philanthropy, and we look forward to achieving many more milestones together in pursuit of our shared goals."

A family Zakat foundation, Al Jisr follows in the footsteps of the Prophet (Peace Be Upon Him) by focusing on strategic philanthropy initiatives which have the potential to leverage high-impact, transformative change. Specifically, the organization focuses on (emergency) healthcare and education.

Sultan Al Busaidi, Director of the Al Jisr Foundation: "As a Zakat foundation, Islamic values and principles are at the heart of everything we do. Recognizing the compatibility between Islamic values and the more general values which underpin 'modern' concepts of sustainability and CSR, the comprehensive training course delivered by the Islamic Reporting Initiative provided a balanced introduction which was both highly relevant and intrinsically effective."

The Al Jisr Foundation in Oman has become the country's first non-profit organisation to sign the United Nations Global Compact.

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IRI delivers training on Sustainable Development Goals and Global Compact related topics in Saudi Arabia

In the first week of September 2018, employees of the Saudi-based petrochemical company Petro Rabigh took part in a two-day sustainability training, which was led and certified by the Islamic Reporting Initiative (IRI). The interactive sustainability training course took part at the company's headquarters in Rabigh.

Attended by employees from a wide variety of departments, the sustainability training provided a basic introduction to sustainability, corporate social responsibility (CSR), and specific challenges and opportunities in the MENA region.

Dr Faisal Al Hothali, Head of Sustainability for Petro Rabigh, said: "We see great value in the approach of the Islamic Reporting Initiative to make sustainable development culturally relevant. Particularly as Petro Rabigh is aiming to deliver on the Saudi Vision 2030, which is in line with the Sustainable Development Goals; understanding where and how they overlap is hugely beneficial."

Ahmad Fatta, Inventory Planning Officer for Petro Rabigh, who was one of the participants, said: "The course covered a wide variety of aspects within the field of sustainability and I really built a good understanding of aspects I was not aware of. The message is clear when the presenter believes in it, which the trainer actually proved. Also, we had different workshops which made the concepts even more clearer."

Earlier this year, a leading Zakat foundation in Oman also completed the newly introduced IRI certified sustainability training course, to its employees. Sultan Al Busaidi, Director of the Al Jisr Foundation, said: "As a Zakat foundation, Islamic values and principles are at the heart of everything we do. Recognizing the compatibility between Islamic values and the more general values which underpin 'modern' concepts of sustainability and CSR, the comprehensive training course delivered by the Islamic Reporting Initiative provided a balanced introduction which was both highly relevant and intrinsically effective."

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IRI participates in peacebuilding forum at Oxford University

By invitation of H.E. Sheikh Dr Mohammed bin Abdul Karim Al-Issa, Secretary General of the Muslim World League in Makkah, the Islamic Reporting Initiative was invited to participate in the 2-day conference on 'Peace in the Revealed Religions' held jointly by the Muslim World League and the Oxford Centre for Islamic Studies. The peacebuilding forum took place on 11 and 12 May at the Oxford Centre for Islamic Studies, University of Oxford.

The objective of the forum was 'to bring together academics, theologians, and faith leaders from Abrahamic faith traditions to jointly explore the themes of peace, tolerance, and a good society'.

In his opening speech, Sheikh Al-Issa laid out a number of programs and initiatives aimed at strengthening society by consolidating the concept of national unity. He also called for the formation of centres and councils with the objective of facilitating dialogue between communities across all sectors.

His speech was followed by other keynote speeches from H.E. Sheikh Abdallah Bin Bayyah, President of the Forum for Promoting Peace in Muslim Societies; The Most Reverend Archbishop Kevin McDonald, Emeritus Archbishop of Southwark & Chair of the Bishops' Conference Committee for Other Faiths; Rabbi Dr Norman Solomon, Senior Associate of the Oxford Centre for Hebrew and Jewish Studies; Sir Alan Munro KCMG, Former HM Ambassador to the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia & Honorary Vice-President of the Saudi-British Society; and Dr Farhan Nizami CBE, Director of the Oxford Centre for Islamic Studies.

Dr Ahmed Makhdoom, Director of the Muslim World League London Office has said about the Islamic Reporting Initiative:

"I strongly support the objectives of the Islamic Reporting Initiative in that it intends to bring clarity and transparency into business practice.

This will not only enable business owners and executives to better manage their operations in line with Islamic teachings, but also help demonstrate to others the true essence and identity of Islam, and its benefits to society and the environment.

Indeed, in this way the Islamic Reporting Initiative has real potential to create an important platform for dialogue between cultures, through the shared notion of sustainability."

ACTIONS TAKEN IN SUPPORT OF UN GLOBAL COMPACT PRINCIPLES

IRI speaks at WBCSD Leadership Program

On Friday 18th May 2018, IRI founder Drs Daan Elffers shared insights on the topic of ‘communicating sustainable development and reporting to stakeholders’ as a panellist during the 2018 Leadership Program organized by the World Business Council for Sustainable Development (WBCSD), held in partnership with Yale University.

The event took place at EY’s offices in More London Place.

The other panellists were Professor Frances Bowen (Dean, School of Business and Management, Queen Mary University of London) and Professor Richard Barker (Professor of Accounting and Academic Director of the Oxford MBA, Saïd Business School, University of Oxford).

The Leadership Program is the WBCSD’s flagship professional and leadership development program designed to provide current and future business leaders with an in-depth understanding of the sustainability challenges and opportunities that will feed into their strategic decision-making.

Prof. Dr Rodney Irwin, course director of the program, said: “We were very pleased to include a speaker from the Islamic Reporting Initiative in this year’s leadership program, as the Islamic Reporting Initiative is an exceptionally powerful example of effective communication for sustainable development. It emphasizes the important fact that while drivers and relevant implementation methods for sustainable development may vary locally, the core values which underpin the concept are practically universal.”

The WBCSD is a global, CEO-led organization of over 200 leading businesses working together to accelerate the transition to a sustainable world. Its member companies come from all business sectors and all major economies, representing a combined revenue of more than \$8.5 trillion and 19 million employees.

ACTIONS TAKEN IN SUPPORT OF UN GLOBAL COMPACT PRINCIPLES

SDG 8: Interfaith collaboration at Lambeth Palace

On 16th March 2018, the Islamic Reporting Initiative joined the Global Sustainability Network (GSN) for a series of meetings in relation to tackling Sustainable Development Goal 8 (SDG 8) and modern slavery through technology. The meetings took place at Lambeth Palace, the official London residence of the Archbishop of Canterbury.

The Islamic Reporting Initiative has been actively involved with the GSN since last year, attending previous sessions at the Vatican and the United Nations and in Malta.

The GSN is a community and platform that is passionate and committed to delivering SDG 8 of the Sustainable Development Goals: Decent Work and Economic Growth. Dedicated GSN stakeholder groups include business, community, government, media and faith. With the personal support of Pope Francis, the faith chapter is chaired by IRI Chairman Mohamed Amersi.

Following a welcome address by GSN founders the Rt Revd Alastair Redfern, bishop of Derby, Bishop Marcelo Sánchez Sorondo, chancellor of the Pontifical Academy of Social Sciences, and philanthropist Mr Raza Jafar, discussions focused on sustainable economic growth, youth employment, successful models to help end slavery, and the supply chain.

Keynote speakers included Baroness Young of Hornsey, and Victoria Atkins MP, the Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Crime, Safeguarding and Vulnerability and Minister for Women.

The Rt Revd Alastair Redfern presented recent developments of the Clewer Initiative, which is a Church of England project dedicated to mobilizing churches to end modern slavery in the UK and of which he is Chair. Specifically, he announced the launch of a new 'safe car wash' app which has been created to strategically engage the public in unearthing victims living in horrendous conditions throughout the UK.

The Archbishop of Canterbury, Justin Welby, has said of the Clewer Initiative: "William Wilberforce convinced his generation that slavery was a sin. That belief has not changed. The sin lies in our ignorance to its existence around us. With this in mind I am delighted that the Church of England has set up the Clewer Initiative to help dioceses detect instances of modern slavery and to provide care to its victims."

More than 200 years after the abolition of the slave trade there are still an estimated 40.3 million men, women and children trapped in modern slavery, of whom at least 13,000 potential victims in the UK alone.

ACTIONS TAKEN IN SUPPORT OF UN GLOBAL COMPACT PRINCIPLES

IRI to Participate in High-level Meeting UN General Assembly

On 27 and 28 September 2018, the Islamic Reporting Initiative (IRI) participated in the United Nations General Assembly High-level Meeting on the Global Plan of Action to Combat Trafficking in Persons, taking place at the United Nations headquarters in New York.

The General Assembly is one of the six main organs of the United Nations, the only one in which all Member States have equal representation: one nation, one vote. All 193 Member States of the United Nations are represented in this unique forum to discuss and work together on a wide array of international issues covered by the UN Charter, such as development, peace and security, international law, etc.. In September, all the Members meet in the General Assembly Hall in New York for the annual General Assembly session.

The opening plenary meeting on 27 September 2017 will feature statements by the President of the 72nd session of the General Assembly, the Secretary-General, the Executive Director of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime and the Special Rapporteur of the Human Rights Council on trafficking in persons, especially women and children, as well as an eminent person actively engaged in the fight against trafficking in persons and a representative of civil society.

Furthermore, the IRI has been invited to participate in two interactive panel discussions focused on the Global Plan of Action, creating effective partnerships, the review of achievements, gaps and challenges – and considering the implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals.

Currently, issues such as trafficking in persons have little to no reporting practice or standards. One of IRI goals is to develop new guidance on such complex issue and close this specific gap in supply chain-related reporting. IRI welcomes organizations interested in this specific aspect to contact us.

Mohamed Amersi, Founder and Chairman of the Amersi Foundation, and Chairman of the IRI Board of Trustees, said: “The promotion of inclusive and sustainable economic growth, employment and decent work for all (SDG 8) is a core focus area of the Amersi Foundation, whereby action against human trafficking, and indeed modern-day slavery, are essential priorities. I am delighted to enable the IRI’s participation at this high-level meeting of the UNGA, as to support further momentum and collaboration for this critical cause.”

Earlier this year, the Amersi Foundation kindly facilitated the IRI’s participation in a number of events related to the implementation of SDG 8, for example the interfaith dialogues at the Vatican and Lambeth Palace, high-profile events organized in cooperation with the President of Malta, and also the Nobel Peace Prize Laureate Kailash Satyarthi, and conferences held at Wilton Park, Windsor, the Royal Society of Arts, and the University of Oxford – to name but a few.

ACTIONS TAKEN IN SUPPORT OF UN GLOBAL COMPACT PRINCIPLES

Islamic Reporting Initiative (IRI) took part in a symposium entitled ‘Mechanisms to challenge Islamophobia legally and through the media’

On 15 and 16 July the Islamic Reporting Initiative (IRI) took part in a symposium entitled ‘Mechanisms to challenge Islamophobia legally and through the media’. The event was organized by the Organisation of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) and the Islamic Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation (ISESCO) in coordination with the Islamic Cultural Centre in London.

The meeting was held as a follow-up to the ‘Media Strategy to Counter Islamophobia’ prepared by the OIC General Secretariat and adopted by the 11th Islamic Conference of Information Ministers in Jeddah, KSA, on 21 December 2016.

The event was attended by about 50 media experts and civil society representatives, including academics from a number of European universities. The organising bodies addressed the challenges faced by the spread of Islamophobia from a professional, legal and human rights perspective.

How can we stop islamophobia together?

Dr Ahmad Al-Dubayan, Director General of the Islamic Cultural Centre, expressed his gratitude to the organisers for addressing such a pressing topic. He highlighted the fact that Islamophobia can take many forms and has become more widespread and versatile. Dr Mahjoub Bensaid, Head of Public Relations at ISESCO, praised institutions such as the Islamic Cultural Centre for showing the true image of Islam as a peaceful religion advocating tolerance, and Dr Maha Akeel, Head of Public Relations at the OIC, emphasised his organisation’s mission in addressing concerns facing Muslims worldwide.

The three major topics discussed at the symposium were Islamophobia from the perspective of international law, Islamophobia from the perspectives of the media and legal and human rights, and how to promote mutual cooperation and understanding with civil society organisations to eradicate misconceptions regarding Islam and Muslims.

There has been an escalation of anti-Islamic activity, including violent acts and hate campaigns, in a number of European countries. These violations of human rights, an indication of the lack of tolerance within society, have demonstrated the urgent need to address stereotypes regarding Islam and Muslims in the media and to present a positive image which will favour dialogue and develop cooperation and shared values of tolerance and co-existence.

Lord Sheikh, Member of the House of Lords in London, mentioned in his speech at the symposium the social challenges facing many Muslims in the UK and the potential for mosques to diversify their activities to assist young Muslims in particular. Dr Harriet Crabtree, Executive Director of the Interfaith Network, discussed the role of interfaith activities and the provision of a platform for dialogue and inter-religious discussions to promote harmony between those of all faiths.

At the conclusion of the symposium a Collection of Recommendations and Proposals was submitted to the OIC, ISESCO and stakeholders, and the OIC and ISESCO were praised for their hard work in initiating the symposium and supporting Muslims worldwide.

ACTIONS TAKEN IN SUPPORT OF UN GLOBAL COMPACT PRINCIPLES

In 2019 The Islamic Reporting Initiative has initiated an important programme of research and engagement focused on drawing the intrinsic connections between the Sustainable Development Goals and Islamic values and principles.

We would like to extend our sincere gratitude and appreciation for all of the hard work and dedication provided by the Sheikh Kahlan Al Kharusi, Assistant Grand Mufti of Sultanate of Oman and generous support of Al Jisr Foundation of Sultanate of Oman.



أهداف التنمية المستدامة في القرآن والسنة



Intrinsic connections: أهداف التنمية المستدامة في القرآن والسنة

SDGs and Islam

الهدف الأول: القضاء على الفقر

لَيْسَ الْبِرُّ أَنْ تُولُوا وَجُوهَكُمْ بَيْنَ الْمَشْرِقِ وَالْمَغْرِبِ وَلَكِنَّ الْبِرَّ مَنْ آمَنَ بِاللَّهِ وَالْيَوْمِ
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[التوبة: 60]

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الهدف الثاني: القضاء على الجوع وتوفير الأمن الغذائي والتغذية المحسنة وتعزيز الزراعة المحسنة المستدامة

وَهُوَ الَّذِي أَنْشَأَ جَنَّاتٍ مَعْرُوسَاتٍ وَغَيْرَ مَعْرُوسَاتٍ وَالنَّخْلَ وَالزَّرْعَ مُخْتَلِفًا أَكْلُهُ وَالزَّيْتُونَ وَالرُّمَّانَ مُتَنَابِهًا وَغَيْرَ مُتَنَابِهٍ كُلُوا مِنْ ثَمَرِهِ إِذَا أَثْمَرَ وَآتُوا حَقَّهُ
[الأنعام: 141] {يَوْمَ حَصَادِهِ وَلَا تُسْرِفُوا إِنَّهُ لَا يُحِبُّ الْمُسْرِفِينَ

[طه: 81] {كُلُوا مِنْ طَيِّبَاتِ مَا رَزَقْنَاكُمْ وَلَا تَطْغَوْا فِيهِ فَيَحُلَّ عَلَيْكُمْ عَذَابِي وَمَنْ يَحُلَّ عَلَيْهِ عَذَابِي فَقَدْ هَوَى }

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا لَا تَحْرُمُوا طَيِّبَاتِ مَا أَحَلَّ اللَّهُ لَكُمْ وَلَا تَحْتَسِبُوا إِنَّ اللَّهَ لَا يُحِبُّ الْمُعْتَدِينَ (87) وَكُلُوا مِمَّا رَزَقَكُمْ اللَّهُ حَلَالًا طَيِّبًا وَاتَّقُوا اللَّهَ الَّذِي أَنْتُمْ بِهِ
[المائدة: 87، 88] {مُؤْمِنُونَ

IRI meets with universities from Jordan, Saudi Arabia, Turkey and UAE



IRI presents its first progress report during the Global Islamic Economy Summit in Dubai, UAE



Auditing firm DQS presents the IRI at its Annual Sustainability Event in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia



IRI is Keynote Speaker at the Sustainable Business Summit in Istanbul, Turkey



IRI presented at the workshop of (IEMA), the Hong Kong Institute of Environmental Impact Assessment, and the Hong Kong Institute for Qualified Environmental Professionals

FIHRRST
The Association for
International Human Rights
Reporting Standards



IRI signs MoU partnership agreement with International Human Rights Reporting Standards (FIHRRST) working together on rights of a child and human rights



IRI participates at the Global Ethical Finance Forum - platform to bring together key stakeholders from the various areas of ethical finance

IRI speaks about Impact Investment at the Royal Society of Arts in London



IRI participates in a series of high-level roundtable talks at Wilton Park, the executive agency of the UK Foreign and Commonwealth Office



IRI takes part in inter-faith dialogue through Global Sustainability Network meetings in the Vatican City



Ms Amal Daraghmeh Masri of Palestine, Board Member of the IRI Foundation, appointed Knight (Chevalier) of the French National Order of Merit

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Leaders & Laureates at Prince's Trust International Leadership Programme in Windsor, England





Organisation of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) commends IRI promoting Islamic values of peace, equality and human dignity



IRI participates in the Cambridge University 3rd Africa Together Conference



IRI participates in the Islamic Finance Leadership Programme at Clare College, Cambridge



Inaugural Roundtable Meeting on the first day of the UN Climate Change Conference COP22 in Morocco

IRI welcomes H.E. Dr Hakima El Haité, UN COP22 Special Envoy as IRI Advisory Council Member



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IRI meets Nobel Laureate Kailash Satyarthi at event raising awareness for 100 million underprivileged children across the world, ending child labour and child slavery

IRI takes part in inter-faith dialogue through Global Sustainability Network meetings at the Lambeth Palace, London



IRI attends the annual British Asian Trust Royal Dinner hosted by HRH The Prince of Wales



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Imam Sayed Razawi and Imam Ibrahim Mogra join the IRI Standards Commission



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