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### ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

2019 - present Assistant Professor, Ibn Haldun University

### **EDUCATION**

2013 - 2016	PhD, Business Administration, International Islamic University Malaysia
2005 - 2006	MA, Islamic Banking, Finance and Management, Loughborough University (England)
2000 - 2003	Postgrad Diploma, Islamic Studies in English, Al-Fatih Islamic Institutes (Damascus)
1996 - 2000	BA Islamic Law (Sharia), Al-Azhar University (Cairo)

### ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENTS

2016 – 2019	Project Manager, Consultant, ISRA Consultancy/the international Shari'ah Research
	Academy for Islamic Finance (ISRA), Kuala Lumpur.
2016	Part-time lecturer, International Islamic University, Malaysia
2015 - 2013	Part-time lecturer, Universiti Sains Islam Malaysia (USIM) Nilai
2013 - 2014	Part-time instructor, International Islamic University Malaysia.
2013 - 2016	Part-time Research Assistant, Consultant, ISRA Consultancy/the international
	Shari'ah Research Academy for Islamic Finance (ISRA), Kuala Lumpur.
2014 - 2015	Part-time Research Assistant, Center for Islamic Economics (IIUM).
2011 - 2012	Part-time Sharia auditor and consultant, Islamic Finance Advisory and Assurance
	Services (IFAAS)
2011 - 2012	Full-time Researcher, Bilad al-Sham University (al-Fatih Islamic Institute)
2006 - 2006	Internship, Islamic Bank of Britain (Birmingham)
2006 - 2006	Full-time visiting Scholar, Oxford Islamic Finance (OXFORD)

### **PUBLICATIONS**

#### **Books**

- كشكار، عمر. (2021). وقف النقود: التطبيقات المعاصرة والقضايا الفقهية. دار الرواد. دمشق
- Kachkar, O. (2019). Muqaddimah fi al-Tamwil al-Islami (translated from English to Arabic) An Introduction to Islamic Finance, by Mufti Muhamad Taqi Usmani. Published by Dar al-Ruwwad, Damascus
- Fundamental Mediation Training Handbook (Ankara 2017) (edited with Elif Kısmet-Kekec)
- Arbitration in Turkey (Kluwer 2015) (ed. with İsmail G. Esin)

# **Books Chapters**

- **Kachkar, O.** & Alfares, M. (2022). Waqf contributions for sustainable development goals: A critical appraisal. T. Azid, M. Mukhlisin, O. Altwijry (Ed.), Wealth Management and Investment in Islamic Settings (367-391. ss.). Springer, Singapore. <a href="https://doi.org/10.1007/978-981-19-3686-9">https://doi.org/10.1007/978-981-19-3686-9</a> 21
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- Kachkar, O. & Alfares, M. (2022). Mobilizing Zakat (Almsgiving) Funds to Support Refugee Microenterprise Pogroms: A Proposed Conceptual Model. In C. João, B, Francisco & C Emmanuel (Eds.) *Multidimensional Approach to Local Development and Poverty: Causes, Consequences, and Challenges Post COVID-19*. IGI Global Retrieved from <a href="https://www.igi-global.com/chapter/mobilizing-zakat-almsgiving-funds-to-support-refugee-microenterprise-pogroms/295693">https://www.igi-global.com/chapter/mobilizing-zakat-almsgiving-funds-to-support-refugee-microenterprise-pogroms/295693</a>
- Kachkar, O. (2019). Using Mudharabah in Supporting Refugee Microenterprises and Microfinance Programs: Prospects and Challenges. In R. Abdul (Ed.) *Handbook of Research on Theory and Practice of Global Islamic Finance* (2 Volumes) IGI Global Retrieved from <a href="https://www.igi-global.com/chapter/using-mudarabah-for-micro-enterprises-of-refugees/247226">https://www.igi-global.com/chapter/using-mudarabah-for-micro-enterprises-of-refugees/247226</a>

## **Articles & Book Chapters**

- **Kachkar, O.** (2016) Microfinance for Refugees: The Untapped Potential. Published on April 12<sup>th</sup> at <a href="http://www.zimbank.org/">http://www.zimbank.org/</a>.
- Kachkar, O. (2019) البيتكوين على رأى من يحرمها Açık Medeniyet February-March.
- Kachkar, O. (2020) Global wealth inequality and compound interest. Açık Medeniyet. January
- Kachkar, O. (2023) Participation finance: the thriving industry. Perspektif Magazine. Germany
- AlFares, M; Kachkar, O. and Azrak, T. (2022). Cash Waqf-Based Credit Guarantee (Cg) Model for SMEs:Selected Cases and A Proposed Model" *Journal of Islamic Economics and Finance*, 2022 8(1).
- Kachkar, O. & Alfares, M. (2022). الصكوك الوقفية كأداة للتنمية المستدامة وتحديات إصدار ها: دراسة ميدانية في ماليزيا
- Global Journal Al-Thaqafah (GJAT) Vol 12 Issue 2 pp. 184 (WOS/Scopus) SJR Q2
- **Kachkar, O.** & Yilmaz, M.K. (2022), "How diverse are Shariah supervisory boards of Islamic banks? A global empirical survey", International Journal of Ethics and Systems, Vol. ahead-of-print No. ahead-of-print. https://doi.org/10.1108/IJOES-10-2021-0195 (**Scopus**) **SJR Q1**
- Kachkar, O. Alfares, M. & Hersh, A. (2022). Contemporary Fiqh (Juristic) Issues in Cash Waqf: the case of Waqf Sukuk, *darulfunun ilahiyat*, 32(2): 597–638 <a href="https://www.researchgate.net/publication/357443106">https://www.researchgate.net/publication/357443106</a> Para Vakiflariyla Ilgili Guncel Meseleler Sukuk Vak <a href="mailto:fina\_Iliskin\_Bir\_Inceleme">fina\_Iliskin\_Bir\_Inceleme</a> (Scopus) SJR Q3
- **Kachkar, O.** & Fares, D. (2021). Exploring the intentional behaviour of refugees in participating in microenterprise support programmes (MESP): is theory of planned behaviour (TPB) still relevant? *Journal of Entrepreneurship in Emerging Economies* 10.1108/JEEE-05-2020-0150 <a href="https://www.emerald.com/insight/content/doi/10.1108/JEEE-05-2020-0150/full/html">https://www.emerald.com/insight/content/doi/10.1108/JEEE-05-2020-0150/full/html</a> (WOS/Scopus) SJR Q1
- **Kachkar, O.** (2019). Refugee Entrepreneurship: Empirical Quantitative Evidence from Refugee Camps in Turkey, *Journal of Immigrant & Refugee Studies*, December 2018. <a href="https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/full/10.1080/15562948.2018.1479913">https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/full/10.1080/15562948.2018.1479913</a> (WOS/Scopus) SJR Q1
- AlFares, M; Bin Che Abdullah, A; Bin Noordin, K, and **Kachkar, O.** (2019). Aafaaq Isdar al-Sukuk al-Waqfiyyah fi Malaysia, (افاق إصدار الصكوك الوقفية في ماليزيا) Majmaa Journal (27) 2019 <a href="http://ojs.mediu.edu.my/index.php/majmaa/article/view/1526">http://ojs.mediu.edu.my/index.php/majmaa/article/view/1526</a>
- Kachkar, O. (2017). Towards the Establishment of Cash Waqf Microfinance Fund for Refugees. ISRA International Journal of Islamic Finance. Issue 1, Vol 9. 2017 Emerald Publishing Limited https://www.emerald.com/insight/content/doi/10.1108/IJIF-07-2017-007/full/html(WOS/Scopus) SJR Q2
- Kachkar, O; Kayadibi, S; Saad Md, N. & Mohammed, M. O. (2016) Developing an Integrated Cash-Waqf Microenterprise Model for Refugees to Enhance their Livelihood and Self-Reliance. *Islamic quarterly*. volume 60-3. 2016 (Scopus) SJR Q3
- **Kachkar, O,** Kayadibi, S; Saad Md, N. & Mohammed, M. O.(2016). Refugee Microenterprises: Prospects and Challenges. *Journal of Asian and African Social Science and Humanities*, Vol. 2, No. 4, 2016, 55-69. https://www.aarcentre.com/index.php/aarcentre/search/search/search/search/search/searchField=query
- **Kachkar, O.** Fares, D & Achour, M. (2016). Application of Microfinance in Selected Islamic Banks in Malaysia: Issues and Challenges. *Middle East Journal of Business*. Volume 11, Issue 2, PP. 12-19 April 2016. (ISSN 1834-8777).
- Fares, D.; **Kachkar, O.** & Achour M. (2013). The Impact of Service Quality, Student Satisfaction, and University Reputation on Student Loyalty: A Case Study of International Students in IIUM, Malaysia. *Information Management and Business Review* Vol. 5, No. 12, pp. 584-590, Dec 2013 (ISSN 2220-3796)
- **Kachkar, O.** (2019). Muqaddimah fi al-Tamwil al-Islami (translated from English to Arabic) An Introduction to Islamic Finance, by Mufti Muhamad Taqi Usmani. Published by Dar al-Ruwwad, Damascus

### **Journal Papers**

- Kachkar, O. & Jalloh, M. (XXX). Crypto currencies from Shariah perspective: analysis of contemporary fatwas
- Abbara, D. & Kachkar, O. (XXX). Economic Engagement of Refugees: Analyzing Success Factors And Barriers of Syrian Refugee Entrepreneurs in Turkey: Case of Istanbul
- Husseini, S. & Kachkar, O. (XXX). Characteristics of the Shariah Supervisory Board and CSR Disclosure: the Case of Selected Islamic Banks in the GCC and Malaysia.
- Shehi, Q. & Kachkar, O. (XXX). The Relationship Between Selected Determinants the Effect of Market Risk and on the Financial Performance of Participation Banks in Turkey: a Comparative Study with Conventional Banks.
- **Kachkar, O.** (XXX). Towards a global waqf fund for refugees: A proposed conceptual model

# Research Project under Review

■ TÜBİTAK 3501 – KARİYER GELİŞTİRME PROGRAMI, TL600.000

**Project title:** Exploring the Viability of Online Freelancing in Supporting Internally Displaced Populations (IDP)

# **Conference Papers**

- Kachkar, O. دور الصكوك الإسلامية في معالجة مشكلة التضخم. A paper presented during the International Conference for Economic Planning held on 22 December 2022 at the Conference Center, WOW Hotel, Istanbul.
- Shehneh, M., **Kachkar, O.** and Yılmaz, M. K. (2022). Exploring sustainability approach of the fashion brands in Turkey. 5th International Congress on Economics, Finance & Energy (EFE'2022), 7-9 September 2022, Turkistan, Kazakhstan.
- Kachkar, O. Abbara, D. and Yılmaz, M. K. (2022). Refugee entrepreneurs in Turkiye prospects and challenges. 5th International Congress on Economics, Finance & Energy (EFE'2022), 7-9 September 2022, Turkistan, Kazakhstan.
- **Kachkar, O.** Bwando w and Azraq. T. (2022). The Impact Of The Covid-19 Pandemic On The Profitability And Operational Efficiency Of Turkish Banks A Comparative Analysis". Sixth Forum of Research in Economics and Finance (FREF2022). 30 May 2022 organized by the Higher Colleges of Technology.
- Kachkar, O. (2021). Waqf Contributions for Sustainable Development Goals: A Critical Appraisal. Presented during the International Conference on Islamic Finance 2021, 4-6 April 2021, Web-Based.
- **Kachkar, O.** Alfares M. & Azrak, T. (2021). Best practices in using zakah to support microenterprises programs. Uluslararası Din ve Medya Sempozyumu, 21-23 October 2021, Ankara.
- **Kachkar, O.** (2021). Not to be Left Behind: Refugees and the Role of Waqf in the Light of the Ongoing Covid19 Pandemic. The 11th Foundation of Islamic Finance Conference 20-22 March 2021 Web-Based.
- Kachkar, O. (2019). Islamic Social Finance: Mobilizing Zakah Funds to Support Refugees' Microenterprises Pogroms. A research paper presented at the International Congress of Islamic Economy, Finance & Ethics 7-8 December 2019 held in Hilton Kozyatağı Hotel, Istanbul.
- Kachkar, O. & Yilmaz, M. K. (2020) Exploring Shariah Board Diversity in Full-fledged Commercial Islamic Banks. Presented at the 12th International Conference on Islamic Economics & Finance (12th ICIEF 2020) June 14-16, 2020 Istanbul.
- Kachkar, O & Alfares, M. (2019). Contemporary Fiqh (Juristic) Issues in Temporary Cash Waqf: Analysis of Temporary Waqf Sukuk 3rd Conference on Law and Justice 5-6 November University of Malaya Kuala Lumpur.
- Kachkar, O.; Tarshany, Y.; & Alfares, M. (2019) Towards Issuing Waqf Sukuk in Malaysia: A Qualitative Study of Experts' Views on Key Challenges, the 7th Global Waqf Conference 10-13 Nov 2019 Kuala Lumpur.
- **Kachkar, O.** (2017). Developing al-Siyasah al-Shar'iyyah Framework for Contemporary Public Policy, presented at the Civilizations Forum in Ibn Haldun University Istanbul 20-21-22 October 2017 <u>file:///C:/Users/omar.kachkar/Downloads/Civilizations Forum 2017 Religion and.pdf</u>
- Kachkar, O.; Kayadibi, S.; Saad Md, N. & Mohammed, M. O. (2016). Economic Engagement of Refugees: a Theoretical and Empirical Appraisal and a Proposed Cash Waqf Model. Presented at the 11th International Conference on Islamic Economics and Finance (ICIEF 2016) held at The Royale Chulan Hotel Kuala Lumpur 13-15 October 2016.
- Mohammed, M. O. & Kachkar, O. (2014). The challenges of implementing the framework of Maqasid al-Shariah in the Current Islamic Finance: an Analysis. Presented at Seminar organized by Institute Kefahaman Islam Malaysia (IKIM) November 24, 2014.
- Kachkar, O.; Fares, D. & Achour, M. (2014). Application of Microfinance in Selected Islamic Banks in Malaysia: Issues and Challenges. Presented at Global Conference on Business & Social Science-2014, GCBSS-2014, 15th & 16th December, Kuala Lumpur.
- Kachkar, O.; Larbani, M.; Saad Md, N. & Mohammed, M. O. (2015). Developing an Integrated Cash-Waqf Microenterprise Model for Refugees to Enhance their Livelihood and Self-Reliance. Presented at the Second Regional Conference 26-27 August 2015. USIM. Nilai, Malaysia.
- Mohammed, M. O. & Kachkar, O. (2015). Developing al-Siyasah al-Shar'iyyah Framework for Contemporary Public Policy Analysis. Presented at the First International Conference on Shari'ah Oriented Public Policy in Islamic Economic System [ICOSOPP 2015] held at Banda Aceh, Indonesia from 30-31 March 2015
- Kachkar, O.; Kayadibi, S; Saad Md, N. & Mohammed, M. O. (2016). Refugee Microenterprises: Prospects and Challenges. Presented in International Conference on Emerging Research in Sciences & Humanities (ERSH-2016) held at Pearl International Hotel, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia on May 16, 2016.

## RESEARCH INTESREST

Islamic finance, Social finance, Entrepreneurship, Sustainability and alternative finance, Zakah and Waqf studies.

#### **SUPERVISION**

### PhD Supervision

- Mohammad Hamşoğlu (completed 2023 Istanbul Sabahattin Zaim University)
- Sarah Buerkwor Kpentey (ongoing, Ibn Haldun University)
- Mahfoozur Rahman (ongoing, Ibn Haldun University)
- Mohannad Shehneh (ongoing, Ibn Haldun University)
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- Sara Saoui (ongoing, Istanbul Sabahattin Zaim University)

### **Master Supervision**

- Douaa Abbara (completed 2020 Ibn Haldun University)
- Suleman Husseini (completed 2020 Ibn Haldun University)
- Daud Ahmed Muhumed (completed 2020 Ibn Haldun University)
- Dariq Khadar Nour Dariq Khadar (completed 2020 Ibn Haldun University)
- Qazije Shehi (completed 2021 Ibn Haldun University)
- Mahmoud Moftah Aboulqasim Alsharif (ongoing, Ibn Haldun University)
- Fatih Aydin (ongoing, Ibn Haldun University)
- Hassen Ali Abubaker Ba Shemakh (ongoing, Ibn Haldun University)
- Mujahid Edun (ongoing, Ibn Haldun University)
- Gamel Issaku (ongoing, Ibn Haldun University)
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- Oday Alalawi (Ongoing, Istanbul Sabahattin Zaim University)
- Nadra Khalouf (Ongoing, Istanbul Sabahattin Zaim University)
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## **GRANTS / AWARDS**

- MA Scholarship by Al-Fatih Islamic Institute in Damascus (2005-2006)
- PhD Scholarship by Ministry of Higher Education in Malaysia (2013-2016)

#### **MEMBERSHIPS**

- Registered Shariah Advisor at Securities Commission Malaysia.
- Associate of Association of Shariah Advisors in Islamic Finance ASAS, Malaysia.
- Certified Zakah Accountant, the International Zakat Organization (IZO)
- CSAA fellow, the Accounting and Auditing Organization for Islamic Financial Institutions(AAOIFI)

## **LANGUAGES**

- Arabic (Mother tongue)
- English (Excellent Proficiency)
- Turkish (understanding)