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ASSET HOLDING & LEGACY PLANNING IN THE ISLAMIC WORLD

CONFERENCE
PROGRAMME

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INTRODUCTION



The questions of asset protection and planning for the future affect all clients wherever they may be.

Different parts of the world have developed their own solutions. STEP provides a forum of education and support for professionals with proven solutions such as trusts and foundations. However, solutions focus on “western” jurisdictions where these structures are more recognized.

It is apparent that clients in the Muslim world, whether Muslim or not, also face issues relating to asset protection and legacy planning especially for those assets located in the local jurisdiction.

But whereas common law has developed the trust and civil law the foundation, Islamic law has not yet fully developed its own onshore equivalent.

The objective of this conference is to act as a forum for all professionals, whether members of STEP or not, who advise clients on asset holding or legacy planning in the Islamic world.

The conference also includes practitioner updates on developments in global taxation, structuring for real estate assets and trends on private equity.

We look forward to welcoming you to regions premier wealth planning and networking event.

Laurence Black,
Regional Director, Asiatic Trust Group &
STEP Arabia, Branch Technical Programme Officer.

Aims & Objectives

In this conference we will endeavor to advance the knowledge and education of professional advisers of clients with assets and legacy planning requirements in Islamic countries. The conference aims to:

- Understand and promote legal asset holding and legacy planning structures available in the Islamic world.

- Improve the knowledge and understanding of private client advisers so that we may better advise our clients of these structures.
- Understand where gaps in laws and practice exist and decide on the most effective ways to manage these.
- Ensure that clients receive advice that meets their needs and adheres to local laws, legal systems and customs.

VENUE

The conference will be held at:

The Palace
Mohammed Bin Rashid Boulevard
Downtown Dubai, UAE
Tel: +971 4 428 7888
Email: info@thepalace-dubai.com
www.theaddress.com

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- VIDA Downtown
- The Address Downtown
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- Manzil Downtown Dubai
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PROGRAMME

07:45 – 08:25	Registration & Welcome Coffee		
08:30 – 08:45	Welcome from STEP Arabia	Yann Mrazek (Chairman - STEP Arabia, M Advocates of Law)	
08:45 – 09:05	Keynote Address	Abdulla Mohammed Al Awar (CEO, Dubai Islamic Economy Development Centre)	
09:05 – 10:05	Session 1 - Islamic Succession - Rules, Challenges & Visions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Facilitator: David Russell QC (Outer Temple Chambers) Mohamed Hassan Majeed Al Mehairi (Sanad International Law Group) Hussain Al Matrood (Al Tamimi & Co) Diane Hamade (International Advocate Legal Services) 	
10:05 – 10:15	STEP Membership/Engagement	Hugh O'Donnell (Membership Director, STEP Arabia)	
10:15 – 10:45	Morning Coffee Break & Networking		
10:45 – 12:30	Session 2 – Practitioners Updates	Facilitator: Stijn Janssen (Ernst & Young)	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Global Tax Update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fiona McClafferty (Deloitte) Michael Lewis (Deloitte) Andrew Rogerson (Rogerson Law Group) (ii) Structuring Global Real Estate Assets <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Alistair Glover (Wragge Lawrence Graham) (iii) Private Equity <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Iyad Malas (Gateway Fund) 	
12:30 – 14:00	Lunch & Networking		
14:00 – 14:50	Session 3 – “Social Commitment of GCC Families: Looking beyond”	Facilitator – Stephen Cutts (STEP Arabia Special Interest Group)	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adib Rashid (Ernst & Young) Clare Woodcraft-Scott (Emirates Foundation) Farida El Agamy (Tharawat, Family Business Forum) 	
14:50 – 15:50	Session 4 - Regional Islamic Issues & Governance	Facilitator: Paul McViety (DLA Piper Middle East LLP)	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mazen Boustany (Baker McKenzie Habib Al Mulla) Amin Nasser (Gulf Marketing Group) Vinod Krishnan (Family Advisory) 	
15:50 – 16:20	Afternoon Break & Networking		
16:20 – 17:30	“Asset Holding & Legacy Planning in the Islamic World”	Case Study & Panel Discussion	
		Facilitator: Yann Mrazek (Chairman, STEP Arabia, M Advocates of Law)	
		Panel Leader: Essam Al Tamimi (Al Tamimi & Company)	
17:30	Close	Yann Mrazek (Chairman, STEP Arabia, M Advocates of Law)	
18:00 – 19:00	Cocktail Reception		
19:30	Dinner	Viewing Deck, Palace Hotel, Dubai	

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STEP ARABIA BRANCH CONFERENCE & DINNER
SUNDAY 8 NOVEMBER 2015**



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STEP Member	AED 1,500		AED 1,950	
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