

# Speaker Bios

ISLAMIC & ETHICAL FINANCE

Sunday, 18 November 2007

Rushdi Siddiqui

**Global Director Islamic Indexes, Dow Jones Indexes**



Rushdi Siddiqui is Global Director for the Dow Jones Islamic Market Indexes. In this capacity he supervises more than 70 Dow Jones Islamic Market Indexes that underlie hundreds of Shari'ah-compliant mutual funds, exchange traded funds and structured products. He also oversees the Dow Jones Islamic Market Index Shari'ah Supervisory Board of six international scholars.

Mr. Siddiqui strongly contributed to the development of the Dow Jones Islamic Market Indexes and pioneered their use as benchmarks for Shari'ah-compliant investment products. He has traveled the Muslim world extensively, presented at key Islamic Finance conferences globally, and has done more than 200 interviews.

Mr. Siddiqui received several awards: The American Muslim Achievement Award for his contributions and dedication to Islamic Finance (2007), Failaka Award for Best Contribution to Growth & Development of Islamic Funds (2006), Deloitte/IIIF Award (Special Contribution to Islamic Finance (2005), CERT Award for Excellence in Islamic Finance (2004), and Sh. Mohammad Rashid Bin Makhtoum Award for Innovation in Islamic Finance (2003).

Mr. Siddiqui has been with Dow Jones Indexes since 1998. His background is in investment and commercial banking and teaching. He has taught at NYU's School of Professional Studies (Privatization & Economic Reform), Dow Jones University of Principles of Islamic Investing, Bahrain and the Institute of Banking & Finance (Islamic Indexes & Funds) and has published a chapter in Euromoney's Asset Management, Law Review Article at University of Chicago Law School. Mr. Siddiqui is Chairman of the Islamic Finance Forum in Dubai, UAE; Board member of the Arab Bankers Association of North America and is a member of the Advisory Committee at IIFM (Bahrain) and the Advisory Board at DIFC's IFAC (Dubai).

Mr. Siddiqui has bachelor degrees in management and marketing, from New York University, N.Y., an MBA from Baruch College, N.Y., and a juris doctorate from Albany Law School of Union University, Albany, N.Y.

<http://www.wsjislamicfinance.com/2007/>