

POTENTIAL FOR USING ISLAMIC FINANCE IN INTERNATIONAL TRADE



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Roadmap

- Growth in International Trade
- Growth in Trade among the OIC Member Countries
- Islamic Trade Finance Market
- Achievements by the Islamic Development Bank Group
- Trade Policy and International Integration of Islamic
 Finance
- Possible Way Ahead



Growth in International Trade - A Potential

In 2010, most trade flows took place within regions, rather than between regions; for instance:

• Intra Europe \$3,998 billion

• Intra Asia \$2,464 billion

• Intra North America \$957 billion

• Intra Middle East \$89 billion

• Total Middle East Trade \$471 billion

• with Europe \$108 billion

with North America \$79 billion

(Source: WTO - International Trade Statistics 2011)



Growth in International Trade - A Potential

Intra-Regional Exports

- 65% of EU merchandise were exported from within EU
- 12% of African merchandise export were exported within Africa
- Trade within North America and Europe has been much higher than trade within the developing regions (such as: Africa, Middle East, Common wealth of Independent states and Central America)

(Source: WTO - International Trade Statistics 2011)



Growth in International Trade - A Potential

In 2010:

Global GDP expansion 5.5%	Global GDP	expansion	3.	5%
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Global merchandise export increase 14%

Global export of commercial services 9%

During 2000 - 2010:

Global GDP expansion 2.5%

Global merchandise trade increase 4.3%

(Source: WTO - International Trade Statistics 2011)



- Global trade of OIC Member States \$1.59 trillion, comprising:
 - 10.51% of the world trade
 - 28.9% increase from it share of 2009
- OIC Member States
 - 2010 Imports: \$1.50 trillion (21% increase from 2009)
 - 2010 Exports: \$1.68 trillion (26% increase from 2009)
 - Mineral Fuels constituted 35.6% of the total exports in 2010



Main foreign trade actors in OIC Member States (representing over 70% of the total OIC Member States' international trade)

Malaysia	\$426.8	billion	representing	13.41%
Saudi Arabia	\$330.8	billion	representing	10.39%
UAE	\$322.3	billion	representing	10.13%
Turkey	\$299.6	billion	representing	9.42%
Indonesia	\$293.5	billion	representing	9.22%
Iran	\$172.6	billion	representing	5.42%
Nigeria	\$124	billion	representing	3.90%
Algeria	\$96	billion	representing	3.02%
Egypt	\$92	billion	representing	2.89%
Qatar	\$87.6	billion	representing	2.75%



Intra-OIC Trade in 2010 (Imports + Exports)

- Total trade volume \$539 billion (26.30% increase from 2009)
- Share of OIC Member States within OIC increased to 17.03% (from 16.65% in 2009)



Main Intra-OIC Trade Actors (representing 68.68% of net Intra-OIC trade in 2010)

UAE	\$ 60.73	billion	representing	11.27%	of Intra OIC Trade
Turkey	\$60.45	billion	representing	11.21%	of Intra OIC Trade
Saudi Arabia	\$50.08	billion	representing	9.42%	of Intra OIC Trade
Malaysia	\$40.52	billion	representing	7.52%	of Intra OIC Trade
Indonesia	\$38.78	billion	representing	7.19%	of Intra OIC Trade
Iran	\$33.39	billion	representing	6.19%	of Intra OIC Trade
Pakistan	\$24.70	billion	representing	4.58%	of Intra OIC Trade
Syria	\$22.63	billion	representing	4.20%	of Intra OIC Trade
Egypt	\$21.78	billion	representing	4.04%	of Intra OIC Trade



Islamic Trade Finance Market

Potential Market

- Based on OIC global trade statistics, the current potential market for Islamic trade finance could be \$1.56 trillion or \$539 billion
- The current size of Islamic trade finance is not known with certainty
- Using the global market share of Islamic finance (being 1-3%), we may assume that the Islamic trade finance would be roughly in the same proportion vis-à-vis its conventional counterpart

Islamic Trade Finance Market

International Islamic Trade Finance Corporation (IITFC) experienced significant growth over the recent years

Its volumes almost doubled in the last 5 years:

Year	Volume
2005	1159
2006	2111
2007	2602
2008	2505
2009	2166
2010	2555

Trade Policy and International Integration of Islamic Finance

- Islamic trade finance cannot grow by itself without the overall growth of Islamic finance locally and globally
- Islamic trade finance is dependant on:
 - Effective and aggressive trade policy implementations in the home markets
 - A steady and significant increase of Islamic finance within the home markets
 - A gradual yet somewhat quicker integration of Islamic finance internationally



Possible way ahead

- More effective standardizations, e.g:
 - Greater uniformity for Islamic trade finance agreements
 - More uniformity in Sharia-compliant (say, LC discounting) products
- Liquidity Management Strategies:
 - Private sector fund to allow off-loading of Islamic letters of credits to offer more liquidity
 - Public-private partnership in managing such fund as part of liquidity management
- Enhancing over-all global competitiveness and reliance on the Islamic trade finance products



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