

Afaq Khan

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Afaq Khan is the CEO of Standard Chartered Saadiq - the international Islamic banking business of Standard Chartered Bank.

Afaq joined Standard Chartered Bank in 2003 with the mandate to launch the Islamic business division for the Bank. Since then, Afaq has been responsible for the strategic build up of the international Islamic banking business covering retail, corporate and investment banking, culminating in the launch of the 'Saadiq' brand for Islamic banking at Standard Chartered Bank in 2007.



Standard Chartered Saadiq has a wide suite of product capabilities having rolled out over 100 products and solutions across geographies and in both consumer and wholesale banking divisions. During the process, Standard Chartered Saadiq has received numerous awards, including being voted "Best International Islamic Bank" in 2009 by Euromoney and "Best Islamic Investment Bank" by the Asset Triple A Awards for Islamic Finance in 2009.

Afaq has over 20 years of banking experience and is actively involved in helping governments develop Islamic banking regulations. His in-depth banking experience has led him to a number of industry "firsts" including the inaugural USD denominated sukuk issued by the Republic of Indonesia; the first sovereign sukuk issued in AED denomination by the Emirate of Ras Al-Khaimah; as well as the first local currency sukuk programmes issued by the Government of Pakistan and the Monetary Authority of Singapore.

Afaq is a member of a various high profile advisory boards which include, Islamic Finance Advisory Council of the DIFC, International Islamic Finance Market (IIFM) in Bahrain, Islamic Finance Expert Group (UK Govt.) and is a member of the Task Force of the Hong Kong Monetary Agency. Afaq holds an MBA from the University of Western Illinois.