King & Spalding

Islamic Debt Capital Markets



King & Spalding's Islamic debt capital markets team has been involved in a number of high-profile, innovative and complex transactions. The team has advised and represented major players in the market, including large financial institutions in their role as lead managers, sovereign issuers, and high-profile companies and financial institutions in their role as obligors.

Members of the team, and the transactions in which they have played a leading role, have been recognised by various publications and awards, including:

- Commodity Murabaha Deal of the Year for the *sukuk* issued by Drake & Scull International PJSC
- **Structure Finance Deal of the Year** for the synthetic securitization by Fawaz Abdulaziz Alhokair Co
- Bahrain Deal of the Year for the sovereign Kingdom of Bahrain sukuk
- Deal of the Year for the sukuk issued by KT Turkey Sukuk Limited
- Sukuk Deal of the Year for the sukuk issued by KT Turkey Sukuk Limited
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- Europe Deal of the Year for the AK Bars Bank transaction
- **Turkey Deal of the Year** for the *sukuk* issued by KT Sukuk Varlik Kiralama A.Ş.

Recent key transactions in which members of the team have been involved include the representation of:

- Islamic Development Bank on the establishment of its US\$25 billion Trust Certificate Program which was triple listed on the London Stock Exchange, Nasdaq-Dubai and Bursa Malaysia. The dealers were CIMB, HSBC, National Bank of Abu Dhabi, Natixis and Standard Chartered Bank. To date, this is the largest *sukuk* programme established in the world.
- Emirates NBD Bank PJSC as the sole lead manager in Damac Real Estate Development's issuance of US\$100 million privately placed Trust Certificates due 2017.
- Societe Generale S.A. as sole arranger in a US\$190 million, five-year *Shari'ah*-compliant credit receivable synthetic securitisation by Fawaz Abdulaziz AL Hokair & Co the largest retail mall operator in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. The transaction is the first such transaction where credit card receivables generated at various point of sale terminals in various retail outlets in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia were securitised in a *Shari'ah*-compliant structure. This deal has been awarded the **The Structured Finance Deal of the Year 2014** at the Islamic Finance News Awards.

"Their knowledge base for Islamic finance is very strong and they have expertise across the spectrum, often handling landmark transactions that have never been done before."

— Chambers Global 2014



Key Transactions (cont'd)

- Türkiye Finans Katilim Bankasi A.Ş. in its issuance of US\$500 million in Senior Unsecured Certificates due 2019, listed on the Irish Stock Exchange. The joint lead managers were HSBC, Emirates NBD, Citigroup Global Markets and OInvest.
- Kuveyt Türk Katilim Bankasi A.Ş. in its issuance of US\$500 million in Senior Unsecured Certificates due 2019, listed on the Irish Stock Exchange. The joint lead managers were Citigroup Global Markets, Emirates NBD, HSBC and Standard Chartered Bank.
- Al Hilal Bank PJSC, EmiratesNBD, Mashreqbank and Noor Bank as joint lead managers in relation to US\$120 million privately placed certificates due 2019. This deal has been awarded the Commodity Murabaha Deal of the Year 2014 at the Islamic Finance News Awards.
- Taajeer Company for Machinery, Real Estate and Vehicle Trading on the establishment of a SAR500 million *Shari'ah*-compliant programme with respect to the securitisation of *Shari'ah*-compliant car loan and equipment financing receivables. The sole arranger was NCB Capital Limited.
- UBS, Abu Dhabi Commercial Bank PJSC and Emirates NBD Capital Investment Limited as joint lead managers with respect to a US\$250 million *Shari'ah*-compliant Irish Stock Exchange-listed residential mortgage backed securitisation originated by a UAE incorporated home financing company.
- Asya Katilim Bankasi A.Ş. in its issuance of US\$250 million in Resettable Subordinated Certificates due 2023. This was the first *Shari'ah*-compliant Subordinated Tier 2 issuance out of Europe. The joint lead managers were Bank of America Merrill Lynch, Emirates NBD, HSBC and the National Bank of Abu Dhabi PJSC.
- Kuveyt Türk Katilim Bankasi A.Ş. in its issuance of US\$350 million in Trust Certificates listed on the London Stock Exchange. This was the first asset-backed *sukuk* issued from Turkey through a Turkish special purpose vehicle and the first *sukuk* issued pursuant to then recently enacted Turkish legislation. The joint lead arrangers were HSBC, Standard Chartered Bank, Liquidity Management House, Abu Dhabi Islamic Bank and Commerzbank A.G. This transaction was awarded the Turkey Deal of the Year at the Islamic Finance News Awards 2011.
- Warba Bank K.S.C.C. as mandated lead arranger for a KWD105 million privately placed exchangeable financing that allowed *Shar'iah*-compliant debt to be exchanged for shares of the obligor listed on the Kuwait Stock Exchange.
- The Kingdom of Bahrain, acting through the Ministry of Finance and the Central Bank of Bahrain, in its issuance of a US\$750 million sovereign *sukuk* through a single person company. This was the first sovereign *sukuk* listed on the London Stock Exchange in 2009. The joint lead managers were HSBC, Crédit Agricolé and Deutsche Bank AG.
- Kuveyt Türk Katilim Bankasi A.Ş. on its debut issuance of US\$100 million in Trust Certificates listed on the London Stock Exchange. This was the first *sukuk* from Turkey and the first by a European bank issued through a Cayman Islands special purpose vehicle. The joint lead managers were Citibank N.A. and Liquidity Management House. This transaction was awarded the **Deal of the Year** and *Sukuk* **Deal of the Year** at the Islamic Finance News Awards 2010.
- Emaar Properties PJSC, one of the world's largest property developers, in the establishment of a US\$2 billion Trust Certificates programme listed on the London Stock Exchange. The programme was established through a Cayman Islands special purpose vehicle, Emaar Sukuk Limited. The joint lead arrangers were HSBC and The Royal Bank of Scotland.

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