

Economics

A Crisis of Interest



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Tarek Diwany - Author of *'The Problem with Interest'*
Junaid Bhatti - Baron of Ballencrieff
Sir Alexander Fleming (SAF) - Theatre 2
Thursday 20th November 6:00pm



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Imperial College Union Islamic Society

Thursday 20th November 2008, Sir Alexander Fleming Building, Room G16

You may notice some tweaks to the content of the event and I've sent this out to ensure that what we have outlined below is consistent with you. Please check the details below and email me any suggestions/changes. (Note: the details of the content are what I think will be said and therefore it may not be entirely accurate but I hope it's along the right lines!). Also, if you have a PowerPoint presentation that you will be using, then could you please email me that by Tuesday. (The poster for the event is on the next page)

PROGRAMME

6pm: Start

6.15pm: Welcome and outline of event (Adnan Aslam)

6.20pm: Quran Recitation (Qari Mohammad Zarzour)

6.30pm: Introduction (Junaid Bhatti, Baron of Ballencrieff)

The current financial situation (the major contributory factors to the 'credit crunch', the effects of it etc.) and the need for change. Leading to next item – the Islamic solution!

6.40pm: The problem with interest (Tarek Diwany)

How the Western banking and money system evolved and its associated shortcomings. Main principles of Islamic finance and key differences. Linking these to the current situation.

7.25pm: The Islamic finance industry & job opportunities (Junaid Bhatti, Baron of Ballencrieff)

The direction of Islamic finance; its projected rise as an alternative system – can it compete and establish itself for the long-term? Has it been affected by the recent turmoil?

Job opportunities for graduates and/or people with several years experience – within the UK but also elsewhere. Example roles; advisory, structured products etc.

7.40pm: Q&A session

8.20pm: End