



Seminar on “Introduction to Islamic banking”

Date: Sunday 12 July, 2009

Time: 7.30pm – 9.00pm

Press release:

Skyline University College organized a Seminar on “Introduction to Islamic Banking” on Sunday, 12th July, 2009 at their campus in University City of Sharjah.

The workshop was primarily organized for the MBA students of Skyline University and was also attended by guests from banking and other sectors and postgraduate students from other universities. The attendees gained an insight into the basic principals of Islamic Banking. It presented Islamic banking as a much safer alternative to Conventional banking and covered 6 major products (Murabaha, Musharakah, Mudarabah, Ijarah, Salam and Istisna), from a common man’s perspective without getting into product structuring and details. The seminar helped the audience in knowing more about Islamic banking than most of the Islamic bankers in region.

The Seminar was conducted by Mr Atif R. Khan, Managing Director of IslamicAdvisory.com. Mr Arif has earned a Bachelor’s summa cum laude from the University of Massachusetts, Amherst and a Master’s from Harvard University. He has worked in the investment banking at Morgan Stanley in New York and London, as a Chief Financial Officer at Iprox Limited, London and was Director of Islamic Finance at Bank T&D. In addition to working closely with Islamic financial institutions on product development, his articles have appeared in Euromoney and Islamica Magazine .

The event started with a welcome note from Mr Kamal Puri, President, Skyline University College. Mr. Puri informed the participants that Skyline University College has been operating in the field of Higher Education for over 20 years with a mission to disburse knowledge, skills and value based education. Skyline has been a forerunner in recognizing the needs of the industry and integrating knowledge with professional skills. As a responsible educational institution, during these years, apart from delivering quality higher education,

Skyline has also conducted workshops and seminars aiming at contributing value to the community and society. Mr Puri's address was followed by an introduction by Dr Deepak, Associate Professor-MBA (Finance) at Skyline University College, who introduced the speaker to the audience.

The program included a well structured presentation combined with real life examples which the attendees enjoyed. The day ended with light refreshments and a networking session.

The closing note was delivered by Dr Anil Dubey, Associate Professor-MBA (Marketing) at Skyline University College who thanked all the participants for their enthusiastic participation in event and especially Mr Atif for delivering a stupendous Seminar on Islamic banking. In the end Mr Kamal Puri presented the speaker with a Token of appreciation and the participants were given certificate of participation.