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The International Arab Banking Summit - IABS 2021

'Banking Recovering Strategies Post Crisis: Restoring Sustainable Development and Debt Sustainability'

24th & 25th of June, 2021

Hilton Rome Cavalieri Hotel / Rome - Italy

Agenda & Timetable

Thursday, 24th of June 2021

08:00 - 09:00	Registration and welcome coffee
09:00 – 10:30	<p><u>Official Inauguration of the Summit - IABS 2021:</u></p> <p><u>Welcoming Speeches:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- H.E. Sheikh Mohamed Jarrah AL-Sabah, Chairman of the Board, Union of Arab Banks- H.E. Dr. Abdulrahman Bin Abdullah Al Hamidy, Director General / Chairman of the Board, Arab Monetary Fund, UAE (online)- H.E. Dr Joseph Torbey, Chairman, World Union of Arab Bankers <p><u>Keynote Speeches:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Mr. Chris De Noose, Managing Director, World Savings and Retail Banking Institute (WSBI), Brussels- H.E Mr. Giulio Centemero, Member of the Italian Parliament and Co-Chair of the PAM Panel on Trade and Investments in the Mediterranean- Italy- H.E. Sheikh Ebrahim bin Khalifa Al Khalifa, Chairman of Accounting & Auditing Organization for Islamic Financial Institutions (AAOIFI) , Honorary Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the UNIDO Arab International Regional Centre for Entrepreneurship & Investment (AICEI), Bahrain- Dr. Pierfrancesco Gaggi, Head of Int'l Relations, Italian Banking Association- H.E. Dr. Mahmoud Mohieldin, Executive Director, IMF, USA- Speech of the Italian Under Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs - H.E. Mr. Manlio Di Stefano <p><u>Chair of the Official Inauguration of the Summit:</u></p> <p>Mr. Wissam H. Fattouh, Secretary General, Union of Arab Banks</p>
10:30 – 10:40	<p><u>Signature of an MOU between:</u></p> <p>Union of Arab Banks (UAB) & International Network for SMEs (INSME)</p>
10:40- 10:55	Coffee break & Networking

<p>10:55 - 12:15</p>	<p><u>Panel 1:</u></p> <p>Banking Recovering Strategies Post Crisis & Debt Sustainability</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Promoting European-Arab trade cooperation in the Post-COVID-19 Era. - Encouraging additional European investments in the Arab industries. - Compliance challenges posed by the crisis - Boosting SMEs financing through special schemes. <p>Chair: <u>Mr. Bachir Yakzan</u>, Vice Governor, Banque Du Liban</p> <p>Interventions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dr. Feras Milhem, Governor, Palestine Monetary Authority - Mr. Sebastien De Brouwer, Chief Policy Officer, European Banking Federation - Mr. Michele Carofiglio, Deputy Head of Financial Intermediaries Conduct Supervision Directorate/ Directorate General for Customer Protection & Financial Education, Banca d'Italia (Central Bank of Italy) - Mr. Omar Mustafa Ansari, Secretary General, AAOIFI, Bahrain - Dr. Elhadi Chaibainou, Director General, Groupement Professionnel Des Banques Du Maroc, Morocco
<p>12:15 - 12:30</p>	<p>Coffee break & Networking</p>
<p>12:30 - 12:45</p>	<p><u>Keynote Speech:</u></p> <p>H.E. Dr. Ahmed Aboul Gheit, Secretary General, League of Arab States</p>
<p>12:45 - 14:00</p>	<p><u>Panel 2:</u></p> <p>The role of sustainable finance in achieving sustainable development and rebuilding a resilient economy in MENA & Europe.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Recovering sustainable development losses. - The Sustainable Financing role of the banking sector. - Action plan for financing the SDGS. <p>Chair: <u>H.E. Dr. Sahar Nasr</u>, Former Minister of Investment & International Cooperation, Former Executive Director /World Bank Group, Member of the Board of Directors/ Allianz, and Professor of Economics /American University of Cairo (AUC), Egypt</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mr. Chris De Noose, Managing Director, World Savings and Retail Banking Institute (WSBI), Brussels - Mr. Marco Carnelos, CEO of MC Geopolity consulting, Former Italian Ambassador to Iraq and Special Envoy for the Middle East Peace Process and Syria, Former Adviser of Prime Ministers Romano Prodi and Silvio Berlusconi, Member of the Advisory Board of Tanto Capital Partners, London - Mr. Osama Ahmed Ben Saleh Bukhari, Member of the Board of Directors & Head of Banking Commission, International Chamber of Commerce (ICC), KSA - Mr. Ahmad Shams El Din, Managing Director & Head of Research, EFG Hermes - Mrs. Sarah Kemmit, Secretariat of the Net Zero Asset Owner Alliance and the Net Zero Banking Alliance, UNEP FI - Dr. Martin Pontzen, Director, Deutsche Bundesbank, Germany.
<p>14:00</p>	<p>Luncheon & End of day one Panel discussions & Free Networking</p>

Friday 25th of June 2021

09:15 - 10:30	<u>Keynote Speeches:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Mr. Hubertus Väth, Managing Director, Frankfurt Main Finance (FMF)- Dr. Taha ElTayeb Ahmad, Chairman, Sudan Banks Union, Sudan- Mr. Sergio Arzeni, President, INSME, Italy
10:30 - 10:45	Coffee break & Networking
10:45 - 12:00	<p><u>Panel 3:</u> The comprehensive digital transformation and its role in recovery</p> <p><i>-Digital transformation for an inclusive and sustainable recovery post Covid-19.</i> <i>- The EU-Arab partnership to facilitate development in the digital era.</i> <i>- Enhancing the Role of Technology in sustainable development in the Arab region.</i></p> <p><u>Moderator:</u> Mr. Suleiman Barada, Sr. Advisor & Head of UABdigital, Union of Arab Banks</p> <p><u>Speakers:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Mr. Tarek Fayed, Chairman, Banque du Caire, Egypt- Mr. Romano Stasi, Managing Director, ABI Lab, Italy- Mrs. Sabrina Del Prete, Founder and CEO of Kore Labs & Partner at Pacemakers, UK- Mr. Petko Karamotchev, CEO, INDUSTRIA, UK- Dr. Yassar Nasser, Regional Lead MENA-MED, Cambridge Centre for Alternative Finance/ University of Cambridge, UK- Mr. George Panou, Head of Innovation Centre, Eurobank
12:00 - 12:30	General discussion / conclusion:
12:30	End of summit proceedings