

Call for applications under IRTI Research Fellowship Scheme

In line with its core activity to increase and disseminate knowledge and information on Islamic economics, banking and finance through research and capacity building, the Islamic Research and Training Institute (IRTI) invites applications for its Research Fellowship Program for 2018-2019. The Program is designed to enhance the research excellence in IRTI's research priority areas, namely Islamic Finance: Innovation, Development, and Stability; Islamic Finance for Sustainable Development; and Comprehensive Human Development based on *Maqāṣid* al- Sharī'ah. Further information about priority research areas can be retrieved by following [this link](#).

The fellow will be based in their own institution, and will be expected to spend a week each year during the fellowship period at IRTI headquarters in Jeddah. IRTI will cover the travel and accommodation costs. On their visit to IsDB headquarters, the fellow will have an opportunity to engage directly with various experts and experienced professionals from different complexes and entities within IsDB Group.

How to apply

1. Candidates are encouraged to submit their application via e-mail. Email applications shall have the following attached documents (A4 size in PDF or MS word format):
 - a) A completed [application form](#)
 - b) A curriculum vitae
 - c) Two reference letters. Candidates shall contact their referees and request them to send their letters of recommendations to Research Division via email. The letter should be written on their institution's letterhead.
 - d) Email applications and letters of recommendations shall be sent to this address: R-Division@isdb.org (Important note: please write "IRTI Research Fellowship Scheme" as the subject or title of the email message).
 - e) Applicants with no access to email may write to IRTI Research Division to ask for an application form. They shall then submit the above forms, as well as ask their referees to send their sealed letters of recommendation directly to:

Research Division
Islamic Research and Training Institute
Islamic Development Bank Group
8111 King Khalid Street Al Nuzlah Al Yaman District
Jeddah 22332-2444
Kingdom of Saudi Arabia

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- f). It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure that he or she has submitted all the necessary documents. Application materials will not be returned.

Eligibility criteria

1. The candidates shall be (a) prominent practitioners with impeccable record of scholarly work and evidence of intellectual leadership in Islamic banking and finance; and (b) scholars in Islamic economics and finance, with evidence of significant contribution to knowledge and

recognition in professional circles.

2. This program is not available to individuals currently pursuing graduate degrees or post-doctoral studies.
3. The research proposal shall be within the areas of research focus of IRTI
4. The fellow's research shall be directed towards leading the development and sustenance of the Islamic financial industry by supporting socio-economic development in member countries of the IsDB
5. The fellow's research shall aim to support the realization of the IsDB vision, where IRTI has to play a key role in becoming a world class knowledge-based organization.

Application Deadline

31 July 2018