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Shariah Supervisory Board Governance & Interconnectedness:

Implications for Innovation in Islamic Financial Institutions

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Abstract

Islamic financial institutions rely on Shariah Supervisory Boards to assess their products and practices against Islamic legal and ethical principles. Scholars often serve on several boards, connecting otherwise separate institutions through shared expertise and oversight. This presentation introduces a doctoral project examining the distinctive governance role of these boards and how their connections relate to innovation in Islamic finance.

The research explores whether these networks encourage new financial solutions or reinforce established approaches. It also considers what meaningful innovation entails in an industry whose commitments include supporting productive economic activity and social wellbeing. The inquiry therefore concerns both the extent of innovation and how far it advances the purposes Islamic finance is intended to serve. By examining governance, institutional connections and innovation together, the project seeks to contribute to broader debates about how organisations pursue change while remaining accountable to the principles that give them their purpose.

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