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## Themes & Topics

### Session One

The Role of ESCWA in Implementing Monterrey Consensus

The role of Islamic banks in project finance: Mobilising financial resources for development

How Islamic finance can contribute to the development of the ESCWA region

Islamic financial engineering: Enhancing effectiveness of Islamic finance in economic development

### Session Two

The role and impact of Sukuk as an Islamic instrument for investment financing development

Need for a Global Unified Sukuk Market – Key Challenges & Role of Islamic Financial Institutions

### Session Three

Venture Capital: Challenges and Opportunities

### Session Four

Strengthening inter-regional financing for development: South East Asia and the Middle East

### Session Five

The future prospect and expansion of Islamic finance in light of the repatriation of investment funds to the Middle East and the sharp increase in oil revenue

### Session Six

Closing Remarks