

Central Bank of UAE

Press Release

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Central Bank of the UAE announced today the launch of its four week training program in **Islamic Banking and Finance**. This program was developed to enhance knowledge of compliance in Islamic financial services, risk management, and regulation. Participants in this training initiative include employees of the Central Bank as well as relevant organizations such as the Ministry of Justice and the Dubai Financial Services Authority.

This training program was developed in close collaboration with the Deloitte Islamic Finance Knowledge Center (IFKC), a leading Islamic finance think tank based in Bahrain. The program will be led by two renowned lecturers with regional and international expertise in Islamic finance training and education consultancy; David Vicary Abdullah and Dr. Volker Nienhaus.

David Vicary Abdullah is the Global Leader of Deloitte's Islamic Finance Group and he has been in the finance and consulting industry for more than 38 years, with experience in Asia, Europe, Latin America and the Middle East.

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Prof. Dr. Volker Nienhaus holds a doctorate in economics and was a consultant to the Islamic Financial Services Board in Kuala Lumpur and he serves as a member of several academic advisory committees and boards.

The training program will be held at the Central Bank headquarters in Abu Dhabi and will consist of lectures, workshops, and case studies. This course will culminate in a one-day seminar on June 2 addressing "Major Issues in Islamic Banking and Finance" to which industry practitioners from the UAE and GCC will be invited to attend.

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