

# Islamic Social Finance and the Sustainable Development Goals

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## TIME / DATE / LOCATION

**Wednesday, 12 February, 18.00-20.00**  
**Senate Wolfson Lecture Theatre**

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## SPEAKER'S BIO

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