

ANNOUNCEMENT

COMCEC 2nd Capital Markets Regulators Forum is held in Istanbul.

For the members of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) and the Standing Committee for Economic and Commercial Cooperation (COMCEC) “**COMCEC 2nd Capital Markets Regulators Forum**” hosted by the Capital Markets Board of Turkey (CMB) is held in Istanbul, Four Seasons Bosphorus Hotel on September 19, 2013. The forum will take place with the participation of competent authorities from Azerbaijan, Bangladesh, United Arab Emirates, Gambia, Iraq, Iran, Cameroon, Kazakhstan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Malaysia, Maldives, Pakistan, Senegal, Saudi Arabia, Sudan, Tunisia, Oman, Jordan and Turkey.

In line with the calls of the 25th and 26th sessions of COMCEC General Assembly, COMCEC Capital Markets Regulators Forum is established in the Conference for COMCEC Capital Markets Regulators and in the Round Table Meeting held in Istanbul, 2011. The Forum Secretariat is chaired by the CMB since its establishment. The main aims of the Forum are to reinforce capabilities of regulatory bodies of the capital markets in Islamic countries and to offer a platform for COMCEC Member State regulatory authorities in which to share opinions and ideas on possible cooperation grounds.

The Conference will start with the opening speeches of the CMB Chairman Dr. Vahdettin ERTAŞ and Head of Regional and Multilateral Cooperation Department of the Ministry of Development Selçuk KOÇ, from the COMCEC Coordination Office. Works done on the areas of "*Capacity Building*", "*Market Development*", "*Islamic Finance*" and "*Financial Literacy*" by the authorities in the task forces last year will be evaluated, the reports prepared will be dealt and works of the coming year will be discussed.

Furthermore, this year in the Forum meeting Chair of the Forum and chairs of the task forces will be elected in accordance with the status of the Forum and the task forces. Presentations on the task forces "Capacity Building", "Market Development", "Islamic Finance" and "Financial Literacy" will be done and the restructuring of each task force and opportunities for cooperation among related capital markets regulators will be discussed.

After the introduction of Forum web site by the Forum Secretariat, presentations will be made on recent developments in the field of Islamic Finance in member countries.

The information regarding “*COMCEC Capital Markets Forum*” can be accessed in <http://comceccmr.org> web address.