

Professor Masudul Alam Choudhury is one of a handful of academic scholars in the field of Islamic Economics and Finance whose work has been recognised in both Western as well as Muslim academic circles as playing an influential role in defining the discipline of Islamic Finance & Economics. He was the first academic in his field to address the epistemological underpinnings of Islamic Economics and Finance (over the past 35 years) by way of his seminal works. *Money in Islam*, first published by Routledge, 1997 (and re-released a number of times thereafter), which was also the first major work in Islamic Economics written from a contemporary Economic perspective. His work has spanned over 100 refereed papers and over 30 books published by highly-rated publishing outlets (i.e. *Routledge*, *Macmillan*, *Springer-Verlag*, *Gower-Ashgate*, *Edward Elgar*, *Kluwer Academic*, *Sage*, *Kegan Paul*, *World Scientific*, *Taylor & Francis*, *Gower (Ashgate)*, *New Palgrave*, *Edwin Mellen*, *Cambridge Scholars Publishing*, *IGI-Inc.*, among various others). He is the Editor-in-Chief of the SCOPUS-listed and JEL-catalogued journal *HIJSE (Humanomics: International Journal of Systems & Ethics)* currently in its 32nd year of publication. He has supervised numerous Doctoral and Master's students, many of whom have graduated and moved on to successful careers in industry and academia. He currently continues to be actively involved with postgraduate-level supervision in Islamic Economics & Finance, alongside his institution-building and charitable efforts in various countries around the world. His published works have been reviewed by the *Times Higher Education Supplement*, *Economic Journal*, *Southern Economic Journal*, *Middle East Review* and the *Journal of Economic Literature*. He has over 36 years of classroom teaching, research experience, and service contributions in the fields of conventional and Islamic Economics and Finance. Among the institutions in which he has held teaching and research posts are University of Toronto, Cape Breton University (Canada), Sultan Qaboos University (National University of Oman), Oxford University, King Fahd University for Petroleum & Minerals (Saudi Arabia), King Abdulaziz University Jeddah, National University of Malaysia, various universities in Indonesia and Malaysia, University of Regina, Trent University, and summer visiting professor position in OISE (Ontario Institute for Studies in Education), University of Toronto, Carleton University, University of Denver, and University of Chittagong, Bangladesh. He has also been a regular contributor to the Harvard University Islamic Finance and Investment Program at their annual gatherings in Cambridge, Massachusetts.

Although an Economist and Mathematician by training, Professor Choudhury has contributed to the associated fields of Accounting, Finance, Business Studies, Law and, most recently, Computer Science (neural networks and complexity) and the diverse areas of Sociology within Economics (participative dynamics, circular causation, Ethics and wellbeing). In all these areas his focus for much of his career has been in the area of participatory dynamics related to diverse problems of economics, finance and socio-scientific systems studied in the epistemological worldview. He has spearheaded a new theoretical framework in contemporary Islamic sciences termed 'TSR', or *Tawhidi String Relationship*, which is fast growing in popularity in scientific circles, in particular in Indonesia and Malaysia. Professor Choudhury is active in institution building and international conference organisation, having been the chief co-ordinator of major outreach events for over 15 years that have attracted global attention and a network of some of the world's most prolific scholars in the field of mainstream as well as Islamic Economics, Business, and Finance. He has also received several research awards and financial grants, amounting to over \$300,000 USD.