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KUWAIT ACCOUNTANTS & AUDITORS ASSOCIATION



الهيئة العامة للتعليم التطبيقي والتدريب
The Public Authority For Applied Education & Training

International Conference on Accounting, Auditing, Governance and Sustainability Between Theory and Practice

Monday 21st to 23rd of April 2025



Dr. Souod Alazemi
The conference Chair

Professional Keynote speakers



Jean Bouquot
The President of the International
Foundation of Accountants (IFAC)



Mona El-Chami
Senior governance specialist
from the World Bank

Academics Keynote Speakers



Prof. Shahzad Uddin
University of Essex University UK
Director of the Centre for Accountability and Global Development at Essex Business School and the founding editor of the Journal of Accounting in Emerging (Q1) Economies



Prof. Khaled Hussainey
Bangor University, UK
Co-Editor of Journal of Financial Reporting and Accounting (Q1) and Editor of International Journal of Emerging Markets (Q2)
Featured in the list of "World Ranking of Top 2% Researchers" database created by Stanford University



Prof. Musa Mangena
Nottingham University Business School
Associate Editor of the Journal of Applied Accounting Research (Q1), The Journal of Accounting in Emerging Economies (Q1), and Senior Editor of the African Accounting and Finance Journal



Prof. Sabri Boubaker
Professor of Finance at EM Normandie Business School (Paris, France)

About the Conference

This conference is organized by the Kuwait Accountants and Auditors Association (KAAA) and the college of Business Studies in the Public Authority for Applied Education and Training (PAAET) . It aims to bring accounting researchers, accounting professionals, and international bodies together in one place including the International Federation of Accountants (IFAC) and the World Bank. The goal of this conference is to enhance collaboration between accounting academic researchers and practitioners. It covers several topics, including—but not limited to:

Accounting Digital Transformation

- Digital Innovation in Accounting and Auditing
- Cybersecurity and Data Privacy in Financial Reporting
- XBRL reporting
- Sustainability and ESG Reporting in the Digital Era
- Regulatory Compliance and Digital Accountability Standards
- Future Skills and Workforce Development for Accountants
- Ethics and Governance in a Digitally Enabled Financial Ecosystem
- Big Data Analytics for Enhanced Financial Insights
- The Role of Blockchain in Financial Transparency and Accountability
- Challenges and Opportunities of Remote and Cloud-Based Auditing
- Digital Transformation and Fraud Detection in Accounting
- Management accounting, control and digitalisation in MENA organisations

Accounting and Auditing Standards

- The development of accounting and auditing regulations
- Accounting and auditing standards and regulations on the quality of disclosure and reporting, accountability, and sustainability
- Practitioners' experiences and attitudes in the accounting profession
- The implementation of Accounting and Auditing Organization for Islamic Financial Institutions (AAOIFI) standards
- Training and Professional Development
- Sustainability Accounting Standards
- Digital Assets and Cryptocurrency Accounting Standards
- Cybersecurity and Audit Risks
- Impact of Remote Auditing

Governance and Sustainability

- The development of corporate governance and sustainability regulations
- The role of accounting, auditing, and corporate governance in the pursuit of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)
- The development of environmental, social and governance (ESG) reporting
- The implications of economic, social and governance indicators in firms
- The extent of sustainability accounting, assurance, and reporting practices
- The role of governance structures and board of directors (e.g., audit committee, nomination committee) on the quality of corporate disclosure and reporting, performance, and access to finance
- Accounting, accountability, sustainability, and governance in non-listed organizations and family businesses
- Issues of governance and sustainability in public sector, Islamic firms non-profit organisations, charity organizations, and cooperative societies
- Governance of Digital Assets and Data Ethics
- Risk Management and Resilience
- Climate Governance
- Community Engagement and Social Responsibility
- Stakeholder Engagement and Accountability
- Behavioural Insights in Sustainability
- Diversity and Inclusion in Governance

Selected papers will be invited to submit to one of the following journals:

- British Accounting Review (Q1)
- Journal of Applied Accounting Research (Q1)
- Journal of Accounting in Emerging Economies (Q1)
- Journal of International Financial Management & Accounting (Q1)
- Journal of financial reporting and Accounting (Q1)
- Arab Journal of Administrative Sciences

Key Dates



**Submission Deadline
25th March 2025**



**Decision Date
5th April 2025**



**Conference date
Monday 21st of April**

- We are pleased to announce that the Conference will cover participation costs for researchers whose papers are accepted for presentation. This includes registration, accommodation meals, and transportation (airport-hotel and hotel conference) for three nights

To recognize outstanding research, the conference will also present awards for the top two papers

- **Best Paper Award: \$1,000**
- **Second Place: \$500**
- There are no registration or participation fees, and attendees may request a conference attendance .certificate

Scientific Committee

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