



**Navigating Change Together:
Connecting the Global Halal Community**

TENTATIVE AGENDA

Understanding Halal Regulations: A Look at Key Regions

This session reviews the framework and regulations shaping halal certification set by SMIC, and in the key regions of Turkey, Morocco, and Pakistan.

Invited Speakers

Standards and Metrology Institute for Islamic Countries (SMIC), Turkey
Halal Accreditation Authority (HAK), Turkey
Institut Marocain de Normalisation, Morocco
Pakistan Halal Authority (PHA), Pakistan

A Review of Pakistan and Thailand's Halal Requirements

Invited Speakers

Pakistan National Accreditation Council, Pakistan
The Central Islamic Council of Thailand (CICOT), Thailand

The Role of Laboratory Testing in Halal Certification

Invited Speakers

World Academy of Islamic Management, Universiti Teknologi MARA
The Assessment Institute for Food, Drugs, and Cosmetics
The Halal Science Center Chulalongkorn, University, Thailand

A Focus on Saudia Arabia and UAE Halal Import Requirements

Invited Speakers

Saudi Food and Drug Authority, Saudia Arabia
Nabil Molla Consulting Center, Saudi Arabia

Government and Industry insights into the Importance of Halal in the USA

IFANCA has made a global impact on trade through halal certification by connecting United States based manufacturers to global consumers. Simultaneously, the domestic market for halal in the USA is experiencing immense growth. In this session, the USDA, IFANCA, and industry members will share insights into the importance of Halal in the USA.

Invited Speakers

Foreign Agricultural Service, USDA, USA
Center for Faith Based and Neighborhood Partnerships, USDA, USA
Chartwells, USA
Islamic Food and Nutrition Council of America (IFANCA®), USA



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Halal Certification in Pharmaceutical and Cosmetics

With the growing demand for halal in non-food sectors, this session will cover the industry viewpoint on certification challenges in pharmaceuticals and cosmetics, addressing consumer expectations and regulatory considerations.

Invited Speakers from the Industry

Exploring Indonesia's Halal Requirements: Insights for the Global Industry

Invited Speakers

Halal Product Assurance Organizing Agency (BPJPH), Indonesia

Halal Standards in Malaysia and Singapore

Invited Speakers

Department of Islamic Development Malaysia (JAKIM), Malaysia

Halal Development, Majlis Ugama Islam Singapura (MUIS), Singapore

Understanding Halal Critical Ingredients: A Technical Deep Dive

Ingredients have always been the base of halal certification. IFANCA has led conversations on expanding certified products by researching complex cases like GMO ingredients and acceptable alcohol levels. Experts will discuss religious interpretation alongside scientific perspectives to review ingredient suitability.

Invited Speakers

Islamic Food and Nutrition Council of America (IFANCA®), USA

Universiti Putra Malaysia, Malaysia

Balancing Product versus Process Integrity Across Different Standards

This session addresses the challenges of managing varying halal standards across international markets. Experts will identify key issues affecting consistency and credibility in the industry, followed by a discussion on the potential for standard unification to streamline processes and foster global trust.

Invited Speakers

Zaytuna College, USA

Islamic Food and Nutrition Council of America (IFANCA®), USA