

## BIBLIOMETRIC ANALYSIS OF PHD DISSERTATIONS WRITTEN IN ISLAMIC BANKING AND FINANCE IN THE UNITED KINGDOM

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### ABSTRACT

By examining the specific characteristics of documents, theses and publications of Islamic economics and finance, the Bibliometric research leads to the acquisition of diverse data on scientific contributions in this field. By analyzing PhD dissertations data, the productivity of individuals and institutions can be measured. In this paper, all postgraduate dissertations (PhD) in the field of Islamic Banking and finance written in the United Kingdom have been analyzed since 2000 to 2018. Based on the specific search criteria, PhD dissertations were determined from the database of (British library) which leads to database of every university in the UK. Our goals to examine PhD dissertations and draw a general map of them in the field of Islamic Banking and Finance in the UK. In term of title, author gender, university, the year from 2000 to 2018 and the number of PhD dissertations. The paper found around 71% of PhD dissertations were by males which more than females. The number of PhD dissertations increased rapidly since 2010 and 2011, it might be resulted from the concentration of research centers and universities on the Islamic banking and finance after the financial crisis 2008. Also Durham University has the most theses among all of the universities by 30 % of all Islamic banking and finance theses in the UK.

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## İNGİLTERE'DE İSLAMİ FİNANS VE BANKACILIK ALANINDA YAZILAN DOKTORA TEZLERİNİN BİBLİYOMETRİK ANALİZİ

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### ÖZ

Bibliyometrik araştırma, İslam ekonomisi ve finansı alanında yayımlanan tez, belge ve raporların temel özelliklerini inceleyerek, bu alandaki bilimsel katkılara ilişkin çeşitli verilerin elde edilmesine yol açmaktadır. Doktora tezleri analiz edilerek, birey ve kurumların üretkenliği de ölçülebilir. Bu çalışmada İngiltere'de 2000'den 2018'e kadar yazılmış İslami bankacılık ve finans alanındaki tüm yüksek lisans tezleri (doktora), incelenmiştir. İncelenecek doktora tezleri, belirli arama kriterlerine dayanarak, İngiliz kütüphanesi veri tabanından belirlenmiştir. Bu çalışmanın amacı İngiltere'de İslami bankacılık ve finans alanında yazılan doktora tezlerini (unvan, yazar, cinsiyet, üniversite, ve doktora tezi sayıları açısından) incelemek ve bir yol haritası ortaya koymaktır. Elde edilen bulgulara göre, doktora tezlerinin yaklaşık% 71'inin erkekler tarafından yazıldığını, İngiltere'de yazılan tezlerin yaklaşık % 30'u Durham Üniversitesi'nde yazıldığı ve 2010 yılından itibaren İslami finans ve bankacılık alanında yazılan doktora tezlerinin sayısının hızla arttığı gözlenmiştir. Bu artışın nedenlerinden biri 2008 finansal krizinden sonra araştırma merkezlerinin ve üniversitelerin İslami finans ve bankacılık konusuna daha fazla yoğunlaşması gösterilebilir.

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Despite the economic and financial downturns that have engulfed many international economic and financial centers, the latest reports reveal the fact that IF still exhibits a two-digit growth over the past few years. For Instance, the Malaysian based KFH Research Ltd reported, in September of year 2014 that the industry is operating across 75 jurisdictions with 600 institutions, and total assets to be in the threshold of US\$ 2 Trillion by the end of the year; representing more than a 20% increase from last year's figure (KFH Research, 2013 and IFSB Stability Report, 2013). As a result of this growth and spread, IF is no longer confined to its traditional Muslim and Arab markets; rather, it has spread, in various degrees, all over the globe. Among the places that have witnessed a “uniqueness” involvement and evolution in this process is the United Kingdom. The active role, that the UK has played, led some experts to describe this phenomenon as a “standalone” experiment in the development and promotion of IF outside the Muslim and Arab worlds.

Seizing upon this momentum, the British Prime Minister; David Cameron announced at the 9th World Islamic Economic Forum<sup>3</sup> (9th WIEF) that he and his government plan to make the UK an International Financial Centre for IF. In This paper, all postgraduate dissertations (PhD) in the field of Islamic Banking and finance written in the United Kingdom have been analyzed since 2000 until 2018. Based on the specific search criteria, theses were determined from the database of (British library) which leads to database of every university in the UK as it has been involved in accommodating limited services as early as the late 1970s and early the 1980s, the number of institutions providing ‘Islamic’ financial services, the number of various degrees and certificates offered by British Universities and other professional institutions, and, finally, the number of law firms engaged in consultancy and IF product developments. Therefore, what matters is putting this call into the perspective of the previous initiatives taken by the Labor government, financial regulators and supervisors, promoting agencies; like the CityUK and its predecessor IFSL, of the competitiveness of the City of London as an International Financial Centre on one hand, and elaborating on the factors that stand behind this growth and development on the other.

By making this pledge, the current UK government is (at that time), in fact, reinforcing the previous initiatives taken by its Labor predecessor that will make London at the heart, of not only a regional level but an international bid to compete with ‘Islamic’ Cities for example Bahrain, Dubai and Kuala Lumpur. In the words of the UK Chancellor of the Exchequer, George Osborne, is to turn the City of London into the “unrivalled western Centre for Islamic Finance” Osborne (2013). This ambitious plan by a conservative

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<sup>3</sup> www.wief.org.

government emphasizes the fact when it comes to economic interests of the nation, the divide line between Labor and Conservative parties is very thin; British governments aim to consolidate the position of London as an International financial Centre. We think this is an understandable move that may reflect a response, by British governments, to the realities of the fierce 'head-to-head' economic and financial battles that are ever increasing within the Capitalist camp since the collapse of the Berlin Wall in 1989, and they have been reinforced by the economic and financial uncertainties that many advanced economies are going through because of inflictions of the recent financial turbulences. The British Finance Minister, summarizes this policy in a crystal clear manner in the article that he wrote on the FT newspaper as follows: "Whether it is attracting money from China, rejecting damaging protectionism and financial transaction taxes, or issuing the first sovereign Islamic bond in the western world – this government is doing what it takes to open Britain up for business, and for new sources of finance and extra jobs" Osborne (2013).

Indeed, there are other dimensions like political and educational ones as noted by a recent note by the Foreign and Commonwealth Office (FCO) and by the UK trade and investment (UKTI) report. The latter document revealed that UK is one of the most attractive places to study in the world with about 100,000 international students studying at UK universities, Quilter-Pinner and Yan (2013) and UKTI (2013: 11).

Our main question is: have males contributed more than females or vice versa? Which universities are more involved in this field? Which years had more researches and why?

In this paper we will start by the introduction followed by the development of Islamic finance in the UK from 2000 until now, after that we will make a list of PhD dissertations in Islamic banking and finance by using two words for searching as key words (Islamic finance) and (Islamic banking), the list include the title of the dissertations, the name of the writer, the university and the year from the recent period to the oldest. The theses were categorized according to sub-themes in the year's row.

## **DEVELOPMENT OF ISLAMIC FINANCE IN THE UK LATEST 2000 AND SON ON**

According to Belouafi & Chachi (2014) it seems that from the year 2000 and so on, the UK recognized the benefits of Islamic finance, so it allowed it gradually on the high street. For example:

- In 2000, The University of Loughborough, UK, one of the famous Universities, hosted the 4th International Conference of Islamic Economics. Therefore, at the international level it was just the only European country to hold such an important event. Moreover, in the year 2002, one of The University of Loughborough academics- John Presley, ex-Professor of Banking at Loughborough University, UK- was awarded the Islamic Development Bank Prize in Islamic Banking and Finance. In the same year 2000, the first Islamic institute to teach Islamic economics, banking and finance at master level was established by the Islamic Foundation UK in that was in collaboration with Portsmouth University, then with Loughborough University and nowadays with Gloucester University (MIHE website and Islamic Foundation Website). Moreover, according to Ondes et al. (2019). Rasmala Islamic bank was founded in 1999.
- examining the barriers to Islamic finance in the UK in the year 2000 by high-level working group such as, the City, government, the council of Mortgage Lenders, the Muslim community and the FSA. (Ainley et al., 2007:8; HM Treasury, 2008: 10; UKIFS, 2013:10). The group was founded by the Bank of England and the UK Treasury, and it was chaired by Andrew Buxton, former Chairman of Barclays Bank, and Sir Eddie George, the governor of the Bank of England (BOE). The UK government and regulators have tried, through the addition of ‘Alternative Finance’ clauses to various Taxation Acts, to create an environment where IF players and their clients are not treated any differently to their conventional counterparties. Since the formation of this working group, as reported by the UKIFS (2013:10).
- the UK’s first IF Task Force were launched by the Government in 2003 and that is to support further evolutions of the UK’s Islamic finance sector help rise internal investment and support the economy. It is also included major industry figures to ensure that the UK’s offer is promoted at inside and outside by both the public and private sector. Many companies work in Islamic finance in the UK are members of UK Islamic Finance Secretariat (UKIFS) on other word they are part of The CityUK. One the most important target of the Task Force is to attract with the UK Islamic Finance Secretariat (UKIFS) and others to encourage and increase the international profile of the industry. (UKIFS, 2013). Also in 2003 according to Ondes et al. (2019). The Qatar Islamic bank (QIB) was founded and Al Rayan Bank was founded in 2004.
- London has arose as the Centre for secondary market trading in Islamic instruments since 2005.there were many originating banks in London

so it was like home for them also the hedge funds, as well as the Islamic bonds (Sukuk) were bought by real money investors. The investors have a beneficial interest in the cash flows generated by the underlying assets and that is how Sukuks are structured. The Sukuks market's size both domestic and international issues, is at about \$60bn. the market is expanding quickly. across Asia and the Middle East, the issuance of Sukuks securities in the past few years have seen a quick expansion in the issuance (The Banker, 11-2007). According to the Global IF Forum (GIFF, 2012:9) London the London Stock Exchange listed 42 Sukuks, after it Luxemburg Stock Exchanges listing 16 Sukuks and the Irish Stock Exchanges listing 9 Sukuks. Also the UK is ahead of many Western and non-Western financial Centers. According to Ondes et al. (2019). Bank of London and The Middle East (BLME) were founded in 2006, and Gatehouse Bank was founded in 2008.

- As part of its “ongoing drive to promote the UK as a Centre for Islamic finance” and to encourage Islamic debt issuance in the form of Sukuks, the UK Treasury announced provision of relief from tax on capital gains and capital allowance rules and that in its Budget 2009 report.
- according to (Finney and Sapte, 2009) there were a further step taken by The UK government in 2010 with regards to the issuance of Sukuks and that to provide greater certainty to issuers, arrangers and investors, also to provide AFIBs with a regulatory treatment as the one for conventional bonds where they are structured to have economic characteristics same to conventional debt instruments.
- London hosted for the first time the 9th Meeting of the World Islamic Economic Forum in 2013 which unusual to be outside Asia and the Middle East. the UK Prime Minister, David Cameron, in this meeting, the plan not just to keep the position of London as a center of Islamic finance, moreover the UK government will issue £200 million of Sukuk which below the £2 billion of Sukuk which was planned during the height of the international financial crisis in 2007/8 (Jessop and Bell 2009: 10).
- According to Filippo et al. (2013:29) and UKIFS (2013:5), The UK is quickly becoming a key destination for foreign Sharah-compliant institutions also it is one of the most advanced and sophisticated Islamic financial markets in the western world. Furthermore, it is the first country to allow the establishment of the first Islamic bank in the western world which is the Islamic Bank of Britain (IBB) and now (at that time) has six branches operating Islamic banks that is more than in any others in western world.

- The first issuing for a sovereign Sukuk which was in the first non-Muslim country to sell bonds purchasable by Islamic investors was in Britain was in June 2014 and attracted over £2 billion worth of bids, around one third of which went to UK-based Islamic banks. The sukuk was structured by HSBC, with Barwa Bank of Qatar, Malaysia's CIMB, National Bank of Abu Dhabi, and Standard Chartered. Harrison, M. (2018).
- In February 2016 the Bank of England announced a framework for sharia-compliant deposit facilities in Britain. Moreover, in November 2016, Al Rayan Bank opened the first office in Scotland offering buy-to-let mortgages. As well as underlining the continued expansion of the Islamic finance sector throughout Britain, Al Rayan's move may have had an additional motive. Harrison, M. (2018).
- In April 2017, the UK's first Islamic financial technology company received full approval from the Financial Conduct Authority. Furthermore, in October 2017 there were more than 20 companies in Britain offering sharia-compliant products that is more than in any other Western country. such as some banks like Gatehouse Bank, Qatari-owned Al Rayan Bank, the Bank of London and the Middle East, Abu Dhabi Islamic Bank, and a unit of Qatar Islamic Bank. Harrison, M. (2018).

## **METHODOLOGY AND DATA**

Our data was collected from (British Library) from the year 2000 until 2018. Table of the PhD dissertations were done in the UK in the field of Islamic banking and finance. The table including (Title of the dissertations), (The name of the authors), (The universities) and (The years) and that starting from 2018 until 2000 as it shows in table 1. The paper will compare the gender (females and males) and who were interested more. Also the paper will show the change of the year which means comparing the years with each other. Moreover comparing the universities with each other and that would give us which university has the most researches.

The theses were categorized according to sub-themes in the year's row. such as Islamic banking, Islamic microfinance, Islamic finance, Islamic capital market, Islamic transaction, Islamic equity, Sharia governance, Islamic principles, Islamic financial institutions, Islamic economics, Islamic financial contracting, Islamic finance industry, Islamic investment funds, Islamic calendars, Islamic beliefs, Islamic stock market, Islamic trade, Islamic

investment portfolios, Sharia Advisory Council, Islamic credit card , Islamic commercial law, musharakah, Fatwa, Waqf, Mudarabah, sukuk and takaful.

**Table 1.** *PhD dissertations Written in Islamic Banking and Finance in the United Kingdom from 2000 -2018*

<b>Title of the dissertation</b>	<b>The author</b>	<b>The university</b>	<b>The year</b>
Information asymmetry, credit risk, and profitability in Islamic and conventional banks	Alkiyumi, Aiman Hamed Said	University of Glasgow	2018 Islamic banking
Risk and efficiency in banking : a comparative study between Islamic and conventional banking	Alqahtani, Faisa	University of Plymouth	2018 Islamic banking
The determinants and the consequences of adopting accounting standards in Islamic banks : a cross country study	Al Qamashoui, Aziza	University of Plymouth	2018 Islamic banking
How can Maqa's id al-shari'ah contribute to the development of Islamic microfinance? : a study of the theory and its application in practice by Amanah Ikhtiar Malaysia	Abdullah Thaidi, Hussein 'Azeemi	University of Aberdeen	2018 Islamic microfinance
An exploratory study on corporate reputation practices and challenges in the UK banks : a comparative study between Islamic and conventional banks	Camdzic, Emir	University of Bolton	2018 Islamic banking
Islamic finance in Saudi Arabia : developing the regulatory framework	Abalkhil, Waleed Abdulaziz Abdullah	University of Exeter	2018 Islamic finance
Islamic finance : the convergence of faith, capital, and power	Khoshroo, Sajjad	University of Oxford	2018 Islamic finance
Islamic mortgages : a comparative study to improve the legal and financial system of mortgages in the Royal Kingdom of Saudi Arabia with a regulatory analysis of the US and UK, and case analyses of the UK, Sharjah, Dubai and Saudi Arabia	Alissa, Arwa	University of Westminster	2018 Islamic capital market
The compliance of Sukuk with Maqasid Al Sharia'a : a case study of the Medium Term Note Sukuk programme of the Islamic Development Bank	Hanan, Al Madan	University of Bolton	2018 Sukuk



Risk governance, financial performance and financial stability : comparative studies between conventional and Islamic banks in the GCC countries	Raouf, Hajar	Durham University	2018 Islamic Banking
Examining customer selection criteria, satisfaction and loyalty in the Islamic banking industry : a comparative study between Malaysian ethnic groups	Abdul Hadi, Noradilah	University of Bolton	2018 Islamic banking
Measuring the determinants of capital adequacy and its impact on efficiency in the banking industry : a comparative analysis of Islamic and conventional banks	Mohammed, Abdul-hussein Jasim	University of Bolton	2018 Islamic banking
A critical evaluation of the legal and Sharia aspects of the Iraqi Islamic banking system, using the case studies of Malaysia and Bahrain	Salh, Shamsalden Aziz	Prifysgol Bangor University	2017 Islamic banking
Workplace perceived gender discrimination in the Bahraini banking sector : a case analysis of Islamic and conventional banks	Alalawi, Esam Ismaeel	Brunel University London	2017 Islamic banking
Investigating the effects of using the balanced scorecard on Islamic banks' performance	Al Satrawi, A. H	Nottingham Trent University	2017 Islamic banking
The influence of Shariah (Islamic principles) corporate governance on cross-border merger and acquisitions involving Islamic companies in the Gulf countries	Bindabel, Wardah Abdulrahman	De Montfort University	2017 Islamic capital market
Corporate culture and performance : a comparison between Islamic and conventional banks in the Kingdom of Bahrain	Al-Saie, Riyadh Saleh	Durham University	2017 Islamic banking
Efficiency and resource-based productivity of Islamic and conventional banks in the GCC states	Al Matrafi, Mohammad T	University of Portsmouth	2017 Islamic banking
Legal risks faced by investors in dealing with Islamic financial transactions and mitigation actions/strategies to keep off legal risks : the case of Murabaha transaction	Almohana, Mohammad	University of Exeter	2017 Islamic transaction
Shari'a compliant equity investments : enhancing Shari'a compliant screening methodologies	Malik, Rizwan	Kingston University	2017 Islamic equity

The regulation of systemic risk in conventional and Islamic finance	Alsheikh, Abdulaziz Abdulrahman	University of Kent	2017 Islamic finance
Essays on the Shari'ah governance system in Islamic banks : disclosure performance of Shari'ah boards and historical evolution of the roles of Shari'ah scholars	Sencal, Harun	Durham University	2017 Sharia governance
The principle of Ma'alah in Islamic banking : a theoretical and empirical study	Bin Ishak, Muhammad Shahrul Ifwat	University of Aberdeen	2017 Islamic banking
Towards a just future of Islamic finance : from a new historical comparative east-west perspective	Arakcheev, Alexey	University of Westminster	2017 Islamic finance
Islamic project finance in Saudi Arabia : regulatory and legal challenges	Almajed, Muath Abdulaziz M.	University of Leeds	2017 Islamic finance
Exploring the governance of Takaful (Islamic insurance) in Brunei	Hj Besar, Mohd Hairul Azrin	University of Glasgow	2017 Takaful
Constructing justice : a practice-dependence approach to Islamic finance	Hamed, Mai Mohamed Awad	University of Birmingham	2017 Islamic finance
Determinant attributes of a well-functioning market-based home-financing model in the MENA region : constraints and feasible development paths	Husrieh, Mhd Abdulkader Izzat	Durham University	2017 Islamic capital market
The influence of Shariah (Islamic principles) corporate governance on cross-border merger and acquisitions involving Islamic companies in the Gulf countries	Bindabel, Wardah Abdulrahman	De Montfort University	2017 Islamic principles
Empirical essays on sustainability, portfolio risk, and outreach of Islamic microfinance institutions	Tamanni, Luqyan	University of Glasgow	2017 Islamic microfinance
An investigation of Sukuk structure risk	Alswaidan, MohammedW.	University of Portsmouth	2017 Sukuk
Investors' rights, transparency and information in equity based Islamic finance : an exploration into Islamic private equity in the GCC	Al-Mannai, Muna Ahmed	Durham University	2017 Islamic equity
Islamic finance and economic development : the case of Dubai	Kapetanovic, Harun	King's College London	2017 Islamic finance
The role of international financial institutions in promoting stability in the	Naffa, Mohammad	University of London	2017 Islamic finance

face of financial misconduct and the possible contribution that Islamic finance can make to stability			
Just money and interest : moving beyond Islamic banking by reframing discourses	Latif, Jibril	University of Birmingham	2016 Islamic banking
Exploring product development process in Islamic banks with special reference to Islamic trade financing	Haque, Mohammad Fazal	Durham University	2016 Islamic banking
Alternatives to bai' al-'inah with special reference to maslahah mursalah in the Malaysian banking and finance industries	Jusoh, Amir Fazlim	University of Aberdeen	2016 Islamic banking
Essays on monetary policy with Islamic banks	Helmi, Mohamad Husam	Brunel University London	2016 Islamic banking
Impact of monetary policy and macroeconomic environment on Islamic banking operations in a dual banking system of Malaysia	Mulkiaman, Mohammed Zakkariya	Durham University	2016 Islamic banking
Financial innovation and engineering in Islamic financial institutions	Alamad, Samir	Aston University	2016 Islamic financial institutions
A comparative analysis of risk-return characteristics between Sukuk (Islamic bonds) and conventional bonds	Shalhoob, Hebah Shafeq	Robert Gordon University	2016 Sukuk
Shari'ah and legal risk issues in sukuk structures : an analytical case study on SABIC sukuk in Saudi Arabia	Bin-Suliman, Tamim Abdullah I.	Durham University	2016 Sukuk
Essays in Islamic political and moral economy : explorations in microeconomic foundations of Islamic economics	Avdukic, Alija	Durham University	2016 Islamic economics
An Islamic economy based on rizq : a grounded study on Islamic economics and finance through an everyday understanding of Muslim civil society representatives in Germany	Demuth, Frauke	Durham University	2016 Islamic economics
Assessing the financial performance of Islamic banking : the case of Sudanese banks	Elgadi, Entissar	University of East London	2016 Islamic banking
An evaluation of Islamic versus conventional banks' efficiency : a global study	Hayek, Ali	University of Huddersfield	2016 Islamic banking

Corporate governance dilemma with unrestricted profit sharing investment accounts in Islamic banks	Alhammadi, S.	University of Reading	2016 Islamic banking
Risk regulation in Islamic banking: does Saudi Arabia need to adopt the risk regulation practices of Basel?	Sharbatly, Abdulaziz	University of Westminster	2016 Islamic banking
Islamic finance, Sharia non-compliance and the standardisation of Sharia governance	Alaydan, Sultan	University of Westminster	2016 Sharia governance
A critical analysis of asset-backed sukuk from Sharia perspective and observed risk mitigation process in sukuk structure : a case study in Saudi Arabia	Aleshaikh, Nourah Mohammad	Durham University	2016 Sukuk
Exploring product development process in Islamic banks with special reference to Islamic trade financing	Haque, Mohammad Fazal	Durham University	2016 Islamic banking
The performance of Malaysian Islamic banking industry and the impact of foreign Islamic banks	Basri, Mohd Faizal	Durham University	2016 Islamic banking
A comparative study of risk management practices between Islamic and conventional banks in Pakistan	Rehman, Asma Abdul	Cardiff Metropolitan University	2016 Islamic banking
The determinants of efficiency, profitability and stability in the banking sector : a comparative study of Islamic, conventional and socially responsible banks	Alharthi, Majed	University of Plymouth	2016 Islamic banking
The impact of corporate governance and its consequences on CSR disclosure : empirical evidence from Islamic banks in GCC countries	Harun, Mohd Shukor Bin	University of Plymouth	2016 Islamic banking
The internal and external contingent factors that affect the determination of profitability in Islamic banks in comparison to conventional banks in Egypt	Etab, Menan	De Montfort University	2016 Islamic banking
A critical analysis of special purpose vehicles in the Islamic banking industry : the Kingdom of Bahrain as a case study	Alkhan, Ahmed M.	University of Bolton	2016 Islamic banking
Level-playing field : the regulatory framework for Islamic banks in the United Kingdom and Malaysia	Zolkapli, Nuramarina	SOAS University of London	2016 Islamic banking
Islamic Banking in the UK : an opportunity that has turned into a challenge	Gado, Y.	University of Liverpool	2016 Islamic banking

Islamic bank financing for small and medium-sized enterprises in Indonesia	Imronudin	Birmingham City University	2015 Islamic banking
Essays on banking and monetary policy in the presence of Islamic banks	Husman, Jardine	University of Warwick	2015 Islamic banking
Banking on the divine : everyday Islamic banking practices in Malaysia	Muscat, Michaela	London School of Economics and Political Science	2015 Islamic banking
Essays on Islamic equity investing	Adamsson, Hampus	University of St Andrews	2015 Islamic equity
Exploring perceptions on financial reporting standards in Islamic financial institutions	Aleraig, Mahmoud Ali M.	Durham University	2015 Islamic financial institutions
Islamic financial engineering : a critical investigation into product development process in the Islamic financial industry	Abbas, Shaher	Durham University	2015 Islamic financial engineering
Participatory decision-making : an empirical investigation of Kuwait Islamic banks	Al-Shamali, Fahad	Brunel University London	2015 Islamic banking
Islamic home finance in the United Kingdom	Galadima, Waziri Mohammed	Newcastle University	2015 Islamic finance
Financing for small and medium enterprises : the role of Islamic financial institutions in Kuwait	Alhabashi, Khaled	University of Gloucestershire	2015 Islamic financial institutions
The application of corporate and Shari'ah governance in Islamic financial institutions : a case study from Malaysia	Jibriel, Mohammed Gaali	University of Aberdeen	2015 Sharia governance
Effects of intellectual capital and corporate governance on performance of Islamic financial institutions	Nawaz, Tasawar	Heriot-Watt University	2015 Islamic financial institutions
Strategy implementation in Saudi Arabian Islamic and conventional banks : a comparative analysis of strategic cases	Alkandi, Ibrahim Ghazi M.	Durham University	2015 Islamic banking
Exploring the demand and supply conditions of e-commerce and e-banking services in Saudi Arabian conventional and Islamic banks	Alotaibi, Mohammed Naif A.	Durham University	2015 Islamic banking

A study on the implementation of Public-Private Partnership (PPP) in the socio-economic, political, cultural and Islamic context of Indonesia	Wibowo, Farid Arif	Durham University	2015 Islamic financial institutions
Sharia assurance in Islamic financial and banking industry : an analytical and comparative study	Albulooshi,G. Mohammad Rahim	University of Bristol	2015 Islamic banking
Human capital development in the UAE Islamic banking sector : addressing the challenges of Emiratization	Qambar, Amal Sabah Obaid	Cardiff Metropolitan University	2015 Islamic banking
Accountability practices of Islamic banks : a stakeholders' perspective	Ismail, Sherif	University of Plymouth	2015 Islamic banking
Accountability and governance practices in Islamic microfinance institutions : evidence from Indonesia	Handayani, Wuri	University of Hull	2015 Islamic microfinance
Adaptable service-system design : an analysis of Shariah finance in Pakistan	Ullah, Karim	Brunel University	2014 Islamic finance
The translation of financial terms between English and Arabic, with particular reference to Islamic banking	Al Saleem, K. O.	University of Salford	2014 Islamic banking
Islamic credit card users' satisfaction : a comparative study	Mohd Dali, Nuradli Ridzwan	Cardiff University	2014 Islamic banking
Comparative analysis of CSR disclosure and its impact on financial performance in the GCC Islamic banks	Platonova, Elena	Durham University	2014 Islamic banking
Takaful and conventional general insurance : analyzing Muslim consumers' perception and choices in the UK and Saudi Arabia	Al-Salih, Aysha	Royal Holloway, University of London	2014 Takaful
Islamic finance and the global economy : an exploration of risk management and governance within Shariah finance	Kok, Seng Kiong	University of Liverpool	2014 Islamic finance
Islamic financial contracting forms in Saudi Arabia : law and practice	Al-Shamrani, Ali Saeed	Brunel University	2014 Islamic financial contracting
Evaluating the Shariah compliance and operationalising maqasid al Shariah : the case for Islamic project finance contracts	Moqbel, Tareq Hesham Taha	Durham University	2014 Islamic finance
Liquidity creation and liquidity risk exposures in the banking sector : a comparative exploration between Islamic, conventional and hybrid banks in the Gulf Corporation Council region	Mohammad, Sabri	Durham University	2014 Islamic banking

A critique of creative Shari'ah compliance in the Islamic finance industry with reference to the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and the United Kingdom	Alkhamees, Ahmad	University of Warwick	2014 Islamic finance industry
Religious compliance in Islamic financial institutions	Hidayah, Nunung	Aston University	2014 Islamic financial institutions
An empirical investigation into the problems and challenges facing Islamic banking in Malaysia	Mohd Zamil, Nor Aiza	Cardiff University	2014 Islamic banking
Perceptions and experiences of British-based Muslims on Islamic banking and finance in the UK	Riaz, Umair Ahmad	University of Dundee	2014 Islamic banking
Efficacy of corporate governance theories in determining the regulatory framework for Islamic finance institutions	Hamid, Sheharyar Sikander	University of Warwick	2014 Islamic financial institutions
Exploring reflexivity and resistance of Indonesian Islamic financial institutions towards IASB and AAOIFI financial reporting standardization projects	Mukhlisin, Murniati	University of Glasgow	2014 Islamic financial institutions
Strategizing in practice in Islamic and conventional banks in Saudi Arabia	Alsagheir, Abdullah Ibrahim M.	Durham University	2014 Islamic banking
A study differentiating credit risk management strategy between Islamic and non-Islamic Banks in UEA	Al-Suwaidi, Hassan	London Metropolitan University	2014 Islamic banking
An exploratory examination into the relationship between corporate governance and risk management in Islamic banks : disclosure and survey analysis	Abdullah, Hanimon Binti	Durham University	2014 Islamic banking
Efficiency, survival, and non-performing loans in Islamic and conventional banking in the GCC	Alandejani, Maha Abdulaziz Y.	Durham University	2014 Islamic banking
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## RESULTS AND DISCUSSIONS

Form 2000 until 2018 the PhD theses around 202 in Islamic banking and finance which were done in 57 universities around UK, were collected form (British Library).

**Chart1.** Comparing the PhD dissertations were done Male and female

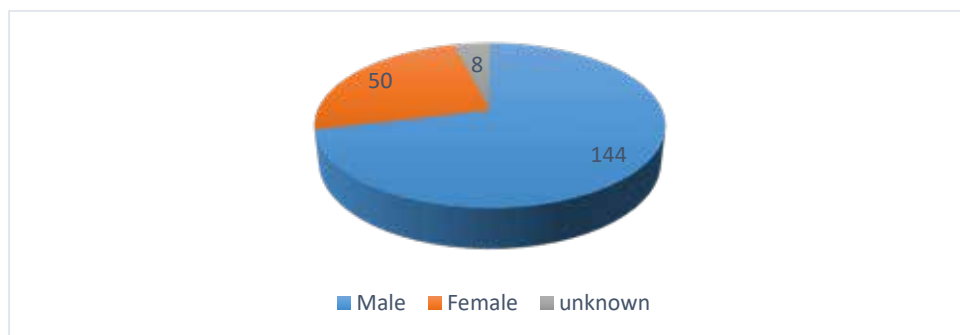


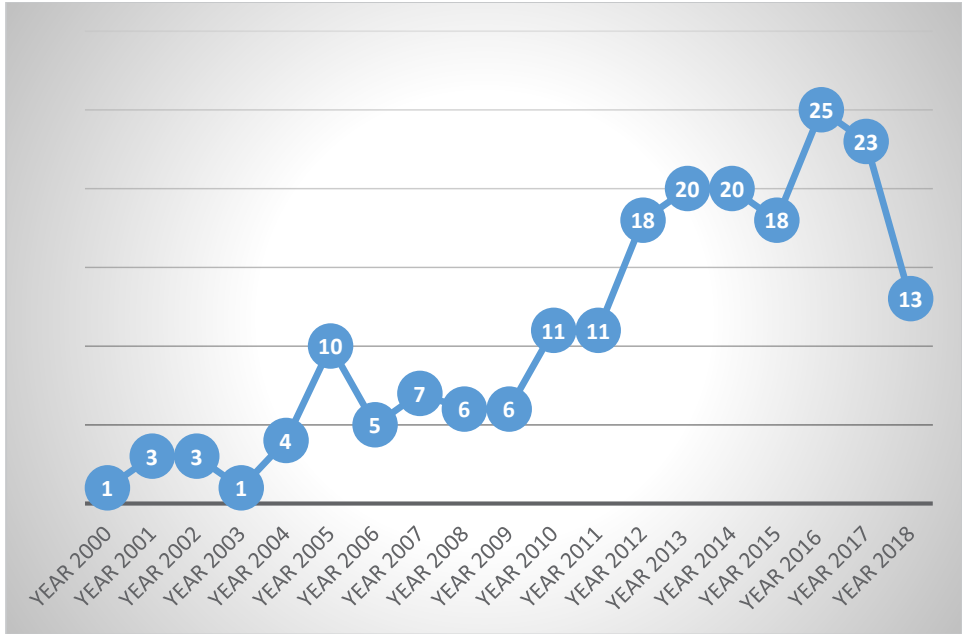
Chart 1 Comparing the PhD dissertations were done Male and female, and it shows that 144 male out 202 were done in the area of Islamic banking and finance, which means about 71% of the theses were done by men.

It seems that men more interesting in this area than women, on the other hand the chart shows that 50 PhD dissertations. It means 25% were done by female which is lower than the number of theses were done by men, and 8 around 4% theses unknown gender either were done by female or male.

The gender was known from the name of the author, also by searching for the author on some website (google scholar, ReseachGate, or from university website).



**Chart 2.** The number of PhD theses were done in the period from 2000 until 2018



The chart 2 shows the number of PhD theses were done in the period from 2000 until 2018 in the field of Islamic banking and finance, the chart shows that number of theses increased rapidly since 2010 and 2011, it might be resulted from the concentration of research centers and universities on the Islamic banking and finance after the financial crisis 2008. Thus many universities and research centers started to open the gate for the students and researchers in this field so they started their PhD by 2008 and they would be finishing by 2011 or 2012 as the PhD program normally takes from 3 years up to 5 years. As many thoughts think that the solution for financial crisis is Islamic financial system. The chart shows as well the continuing of the increasing, for instance year 2016 is the best among all of them by (25) theses about 12% compare it with the year 2000 or 2003. Moreover the year of 2018 should not be included because it might be some data did not uploaded it yet. According to chart 2 it gives us clear evidence that in the UK recently there are more research in Islamic banking finance than they used to be.

**Chart 3.** *The number of the dissertations by the universities*

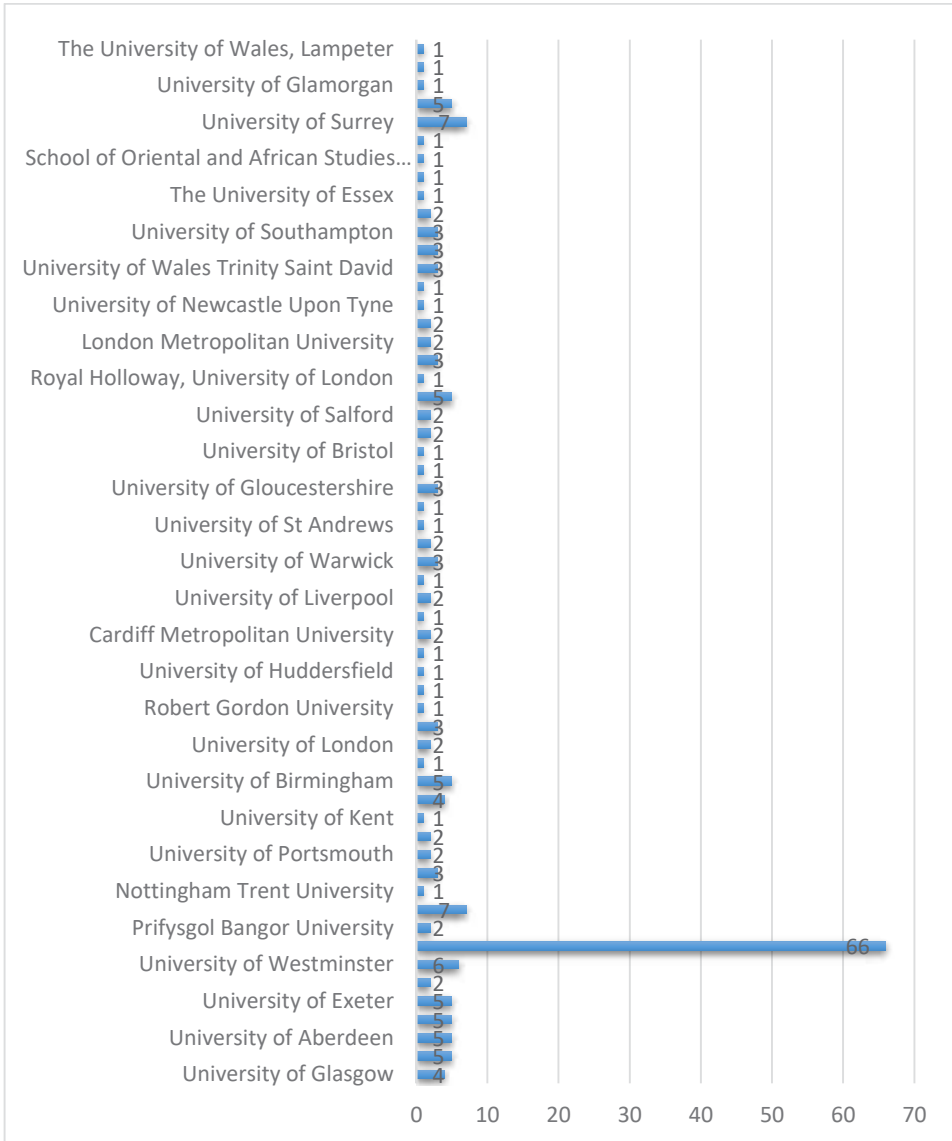
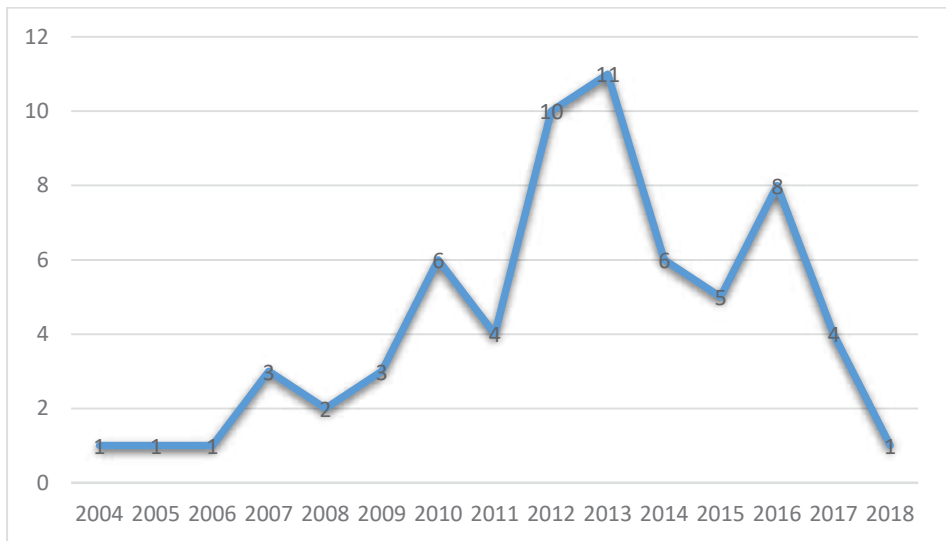


Chart 3 shows the number of the dissertations by the universities which were done in 57 universities. We can see that Durham university has the most theses among all of the universities by (66) theses 30 % of all Islamic banking and finance thesis in the UK. Furthermore Brunel University and Surrey University by 7 theses for each. All these universities are located around the UK in England such as Durham University or Brunel University which is in

London, or such as the university of Glasgow and Edinburgh University which located in Scotland, Cardiff University which located in Wales.

The chart 4 shows the number of theses were done at Durham University from 2004 until 2018, around 66 theses in this period, it shows that the number of theses increased dramatically from 2011 by 4 theses to 11 in the year of 2013, as that shows many researches and PhD theses were done after financial crisis in 2008 . As we mentioned before year 2018 should be excluded as some of the theses were not be uploaded yet.

**Chart 4.** *The number of theses were done at Durham University from 2004 until 2018*



## CONCLUSION

These days Islamic banking and finance became one of the most important area to search, in this paper the PhD theses in the United Kingdom were done in this filed were analyzed in the period of 2000 until 2018.

The theses were done at 57 universities around UK, the study found that the number of theses increased rapidly since 2010 and 2011, it might be resulted from the concentration of research centers and universities on the Islamic banking and finance after the financial crisis 2008. Thus many universities and research centers started to open the gate for the students and researchers in this field so they started their PhD by 2008 and they would be finishing by 2011 or 2012 as the PhD program takes from 3 years up to 5 years.

As many scholars think that the solution for financial crisis is Islamic financial system.

The year 2016 were the highest year among all years, at the same time Durham University had the highest number of the theses among all universities. Also we found that males had the highest number of the theses comparing to females. In other words UK are important place for Islamic banking and finance researches.

The theses were categorized according to sub-themes in the year's row, we found that (Islamic banking) were the heights among all, particularly at the beginning of years up to 2010, after that some new category such as Musharakah, Fatwa, Waqf, Mudarabah, Sukuk and Takaful and so on.

The limitations of this study that some author's gender could not be found if they are male or female, as there were no clear data showing that. Likewise there might be some theses were not upload on British library.

The recommendations can be concluded here. The articles and papers were done in this area (in the UK) it can be good reference for PhD students and researchers in Islamic banking and finance. It is shown the way to the researchers who interested of writing his/her theses in Islamic Banking and Finance this may be an important starting point for them.

It can be recommended to do comparative study with some other countries, for example (UK and Turkey) or (UK and Malaysia), or with some regions such as GCC countries and middle East. Moreover it can be recommended that the study not just on PhD theses. Masters theses and articles written in this area it can be included as well, which will show the contribution of the country or region in this field.

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