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Title	Synergies between Islamic Finance, Ethical Finance & UN SDGs
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Presenter researcher	Mufti Yousuf Sultan CSAA
Date:	March 28, 2022 (Monday)
Time:	10:30 AM - 12:00 PM
Venue:	BICM Multipurpose Hall
Expected Participants	Faculty Members of BICM & Invited Guests
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#### About the presenter

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The paper abstract is given below. If you have any questions regarding the seminar or you wish to present a paper or invite a guest researcher, please do not hesitate to communicate S. M. Kalbin Salema, Lecturer, BICM at kalbin@bicm.ac.bd.

### Synergies between Islamic Finance, Ethical Finance & UN SDGs

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#### **Abstract**

Islamic Finance is more than mere faith-driven finance and has several ethical value propositions to share. It has many common values with other value-based finance & investments known as ethical finance, responsible finance, socially responsible investing (SRI), ESG (environment – society – governance) criteria and impact investment. All of those promote fairness, transparency, and greater social good and require social considerations. Most of the goals under sustainable development goals (SDG) promoted by the United Nations also align well with the very objectives of shariah, also known as a maqasid al-shariah. Apart from the faith perspective, all the value-driven financial practices have a common agenda to do good to the people and the planet. This study draws a fair comparison between the different value-based financial approaches and gives a new dimension of thought for policymakers regarding Islamic finance. It also highlights the good from both worlds to help policymakers make better decisions to uphold social responsibility.

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