

Mawarid Fintech & Innovation Summit 2025



Empowering Innovation Driving the Future of Finance

Agenda

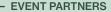




October 23, 2025 **Q** Grand Hyatt Dubai

Opening Remarks – Rashid Al Qubaisi, CEO at Mawarid Finance
Keynote Presentation - Chetan Parekh, MP at Cedar MCI
Keynote Presentation – Mohammad Alblooshi, CEO at DIFC Innovation Hub
Keynote Presentation – Samer Soliman, CEO at AFS
Panel 1: Integrating Islamic Finance into the Digital Economy
Panel 2: Open Banking Unlocked – From Compliance to Collaboration
Networking Break
Keynote Presentation – Arsalan Ahmed, Director Fintech at Mastercard
Keynote Presentation – Haroun Dharsey, CEO at Dharsi
Keynote Presentation – Raji Challita, CEO at BML Istisharat
Keynote Presentation – Maher Mikati, CEO at Areeba
Panel 3: Financing the Future – Closing the SME Gap with Innovation and Values
Panel 4: Blockchain and Stablecoins – the Next Era of Finance
Awards & Closing Remarks
Networking Lunch
FinTech Lab - Live Product Spotlight































Fintech & Innovation Summit 2025- Panel Discussions



Panel 1: The Embedded Imperative – Integrating Islamic Finance into the Digital Economy



Raii Challita CFO **BML** Istisharat



Rashed Hareb Al Mheeiri Co-founder and CEO Rentify



Chairman **MENA Fintech Association**

Nameer Khan



Murtaza Shaikhally Associate Partner Cedar IBSi-Capital

Panel 2: Open Banking Unlocked -Shaping the Future of Financial Ecosystems



Ehsan Rahman Co-Founder & CEO Kamel Pay



Uttam Nayak CEO Yalamanchili



Altaf Ahmed COO **Pay Ten Payment Services**



Harish Karunkaran Head of Product Strategy Pine Labs



Sharad Gupta Sr Partner **ALP Tech**

Panel 3: Financing the Future -Closing the SME Gap with Innovation and Values



Samer Soliman CEO **AFS**



Thomas Kuncheria SVP, Head of SME for EEMEA Mastercard



Dr. Allan Villegas Group CEO Liabify



Hari Padmanabhan Chairman Uncia



Deepak H Saluja Founder and CEO **KEE Platforms**

Panel 4: Blockchain and Stablecoins -Trust, Transparency, and the Next Era of Finance



Nauman Hassan Regional Director for MENA Paymentology



Omair Ansari Co-Founder and CEO Abhi



Filip Bloch Founder and CEO **PAYS. Solutions**



Rohit Ramana Co-Founder & CFO Mintoak



Malek Moubasher Senior Management Consultant-Principal Mentor Global Consultants

