



THE HALAL FOOD INDUSTRY IN OIC MEMBER COUNTRIES

Challenges and Opportunities

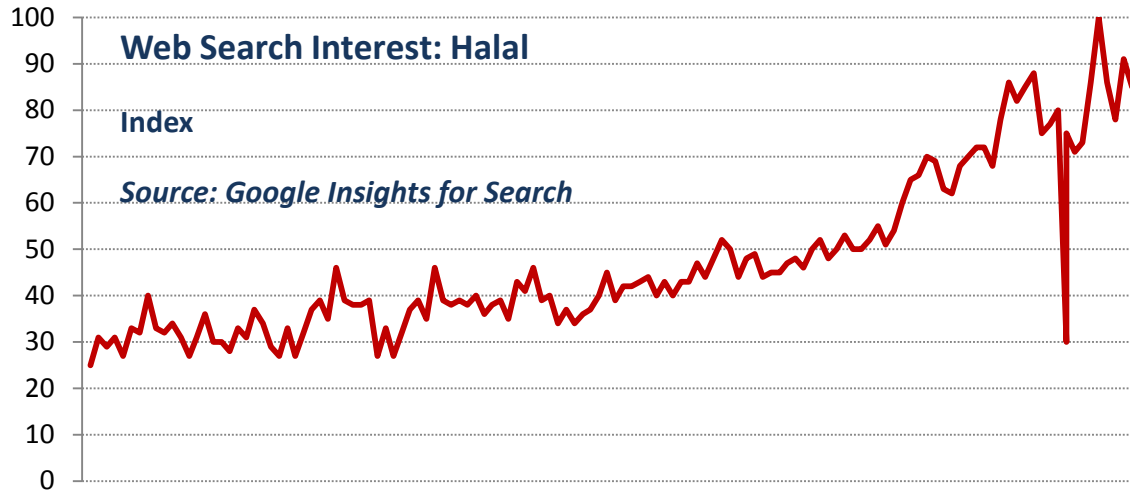
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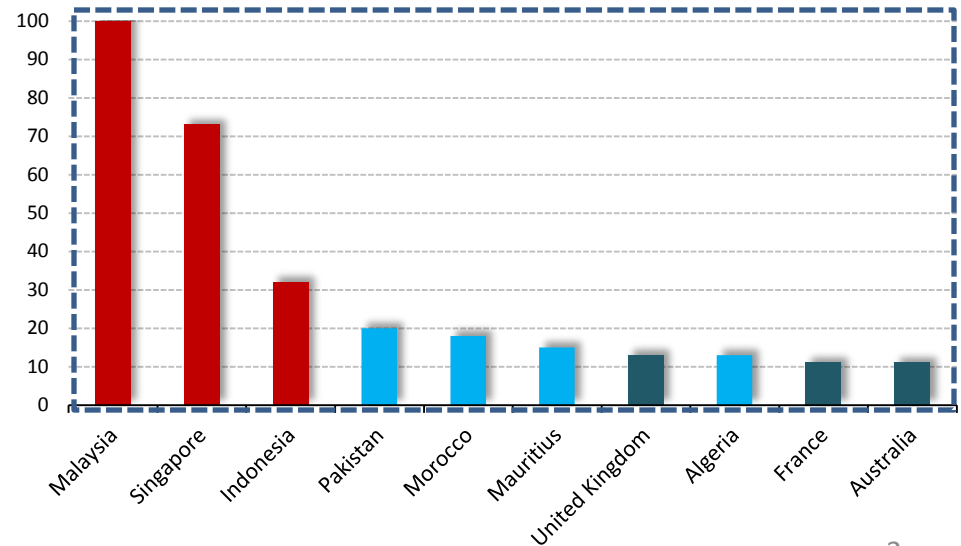
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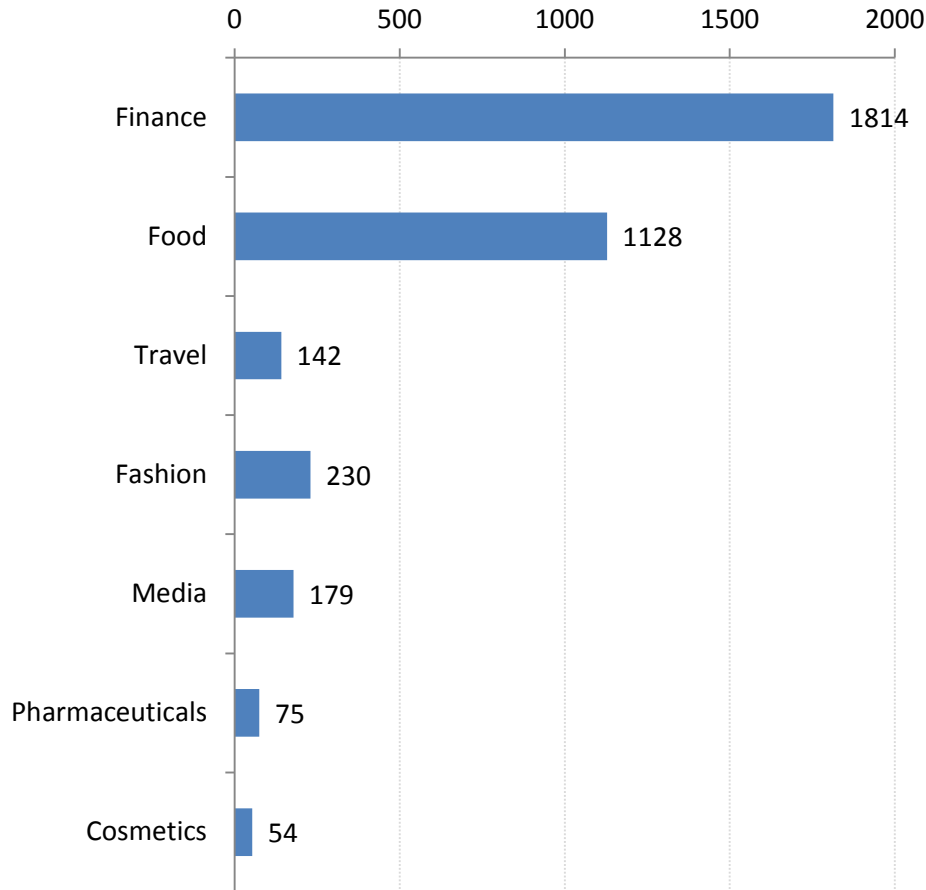
Background: Interest in Halal



...Influx of events such as national halal initiatives, conferences, expos, online networking and media

The storm started brewing in South East Asia
 Non-Muslim countries with an established minor Muslim population, such as United Kingdom, France and Australia, are emerging as new markets for halal products.

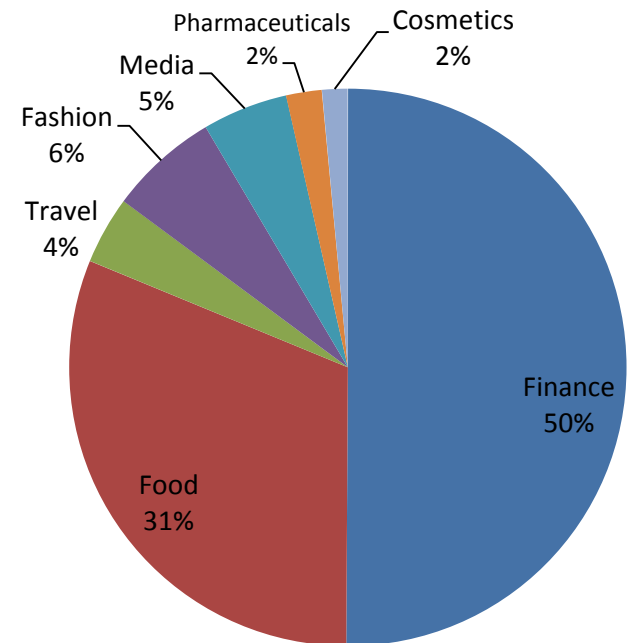




Global Halal Market

USD, billion

Source: State of Global Islamic Economy Report 2015



Global Halal market is estimated at US\$ 3622 billion annually in 2014

Key Markets, Key Facts

	Muslim pop.	Muslim pop. (%)	Muslim pop. (% of OIC)	Muslim pop. (% of World)		Muslim pop.	Muslim pop. (%)	Muslim pop. (% of World)
Indonesia	205	88.1	15.8	12.6	India	177.3	14.6	10.9
Pakistan	178	96.4	13.7	11.0	Ethiopia	28.7	33.8	1.8
Bangladesh	149	90.4	11.5	9.2	China	23.3	1.8	1.4
Egypt	80	94.7	6.2	4.9	Russia	16.4	11.7	1.0
Nigeria	76	47.9	5.8	4.7	Tanzania	13.5	29.9	0.8
Iran	75	99.7	5.8	4.6	Philippines	4.7	5.1	0.3
Turkey	75	98.6	5.8	4.6	Germany	4.7	7.5	0.3
Algeria	35	98.2	2.7	2.1	Thailand	4.1	5.0	0.3
Morocco	32	99.9	2.5	2.0	Ghana	4.0	5.8	0.2
Iraq	31	98.9	2.4	1.9	France	3.9	16.1	0.2
Sudan	31	71.4	2.4	1.9	Kenya	2.9	4.6	0.2
Afghanistan	29	99.8	2.2	1.8	United States	2.9	7.0	0.2
Uzbekistan	27	96.5	2.1	1.7				
Saudi Arabia	25	97.1	2.0	1.6				
Yemen	24	99.0	1.9	1.5				
Syria	21	92.8	1.6	1.3				
Malaysia	17	61.4	1.3	1.1				
Niger	16	98.3	1.2	1.0				
OIC Countries	1297	81.8	100.0	80.1	Non-OIC Countries	322.0	7.9	19.9

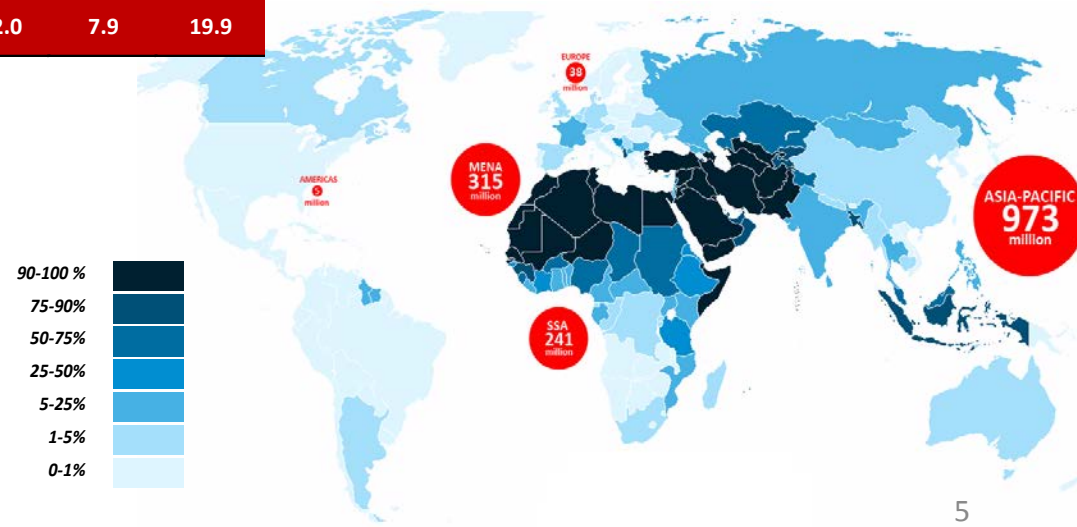
Key Halal Markets

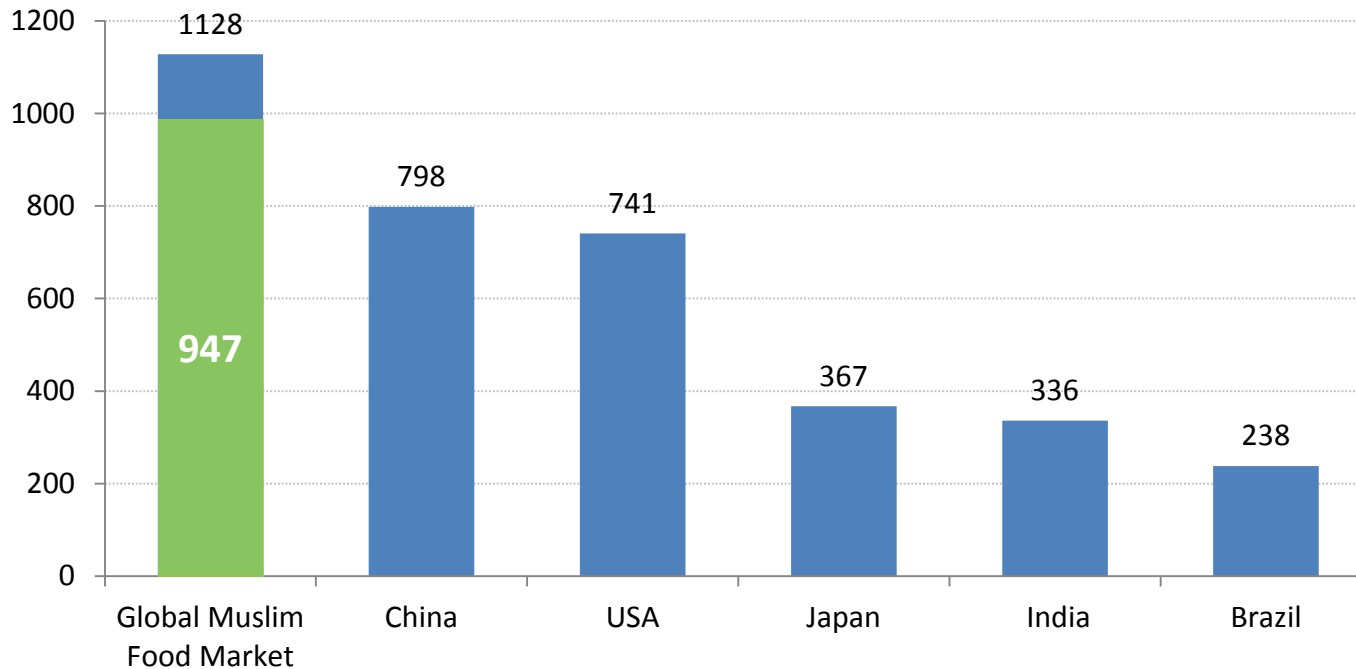
Muslim population, million

Source: Pew Report

□ The Muslim population is approaching 2 billion and is expected to account for 30% of the world's population by 2030

- Estimated world Muslim population: **1.7 billion**
- OIC countries with a total Muslim population of **1.3 billion** account for the **80.1 per cent** of the world total Muslim population

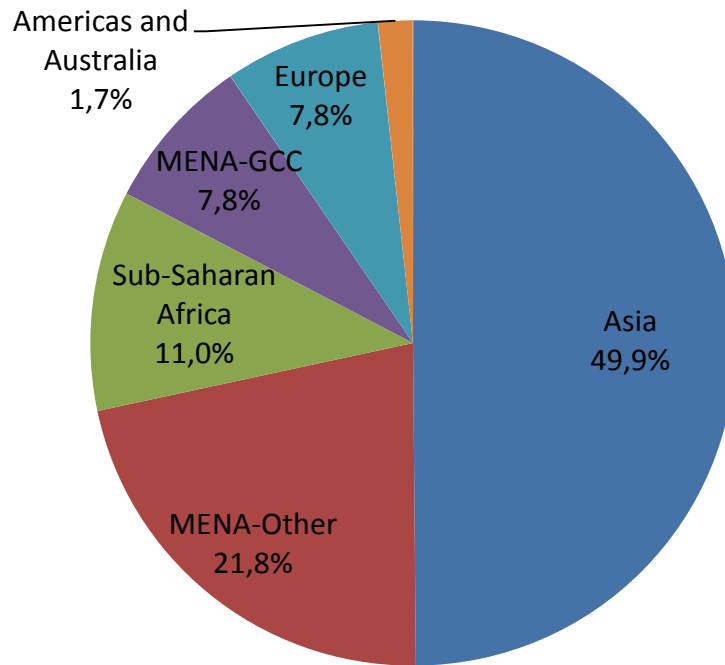




Global Muslim Food & Beverage Expenditure compared to Top F&B Markets, 2014
USD billion

Source: State of Global Islamic Economy Report 2015

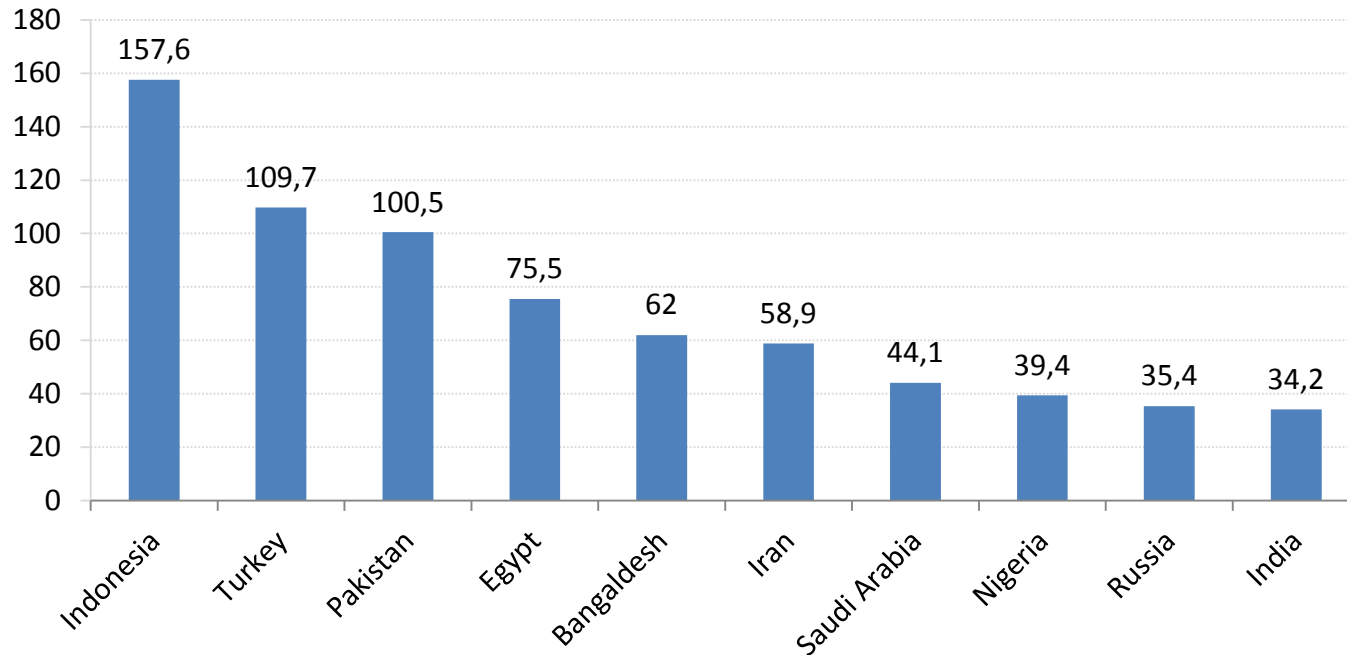
- ❑ Halal food makes up around two-thirds of the global market for halal products and 17% of the global food industry
- ❑ The market for Muslim food & beverage products is estimated at US\$ 1228 billion annually in 2014....OIC countries roughly accounting for 77%
- ❑ The projected demand for halal food & beverage is US\$ 1,585 billion for 2020, corresponding to a Compound Annual Growth Rate (CAGR) of about 5.8%.



Share (%) of Total Muslim Food Expenditure by Region
Percent

Source: State of Global Islamic Economy Report 2014

- ❑ The growth in *Asia* has been driven by changing lifestyles that allow for higher incomes. The GCC countries have higher incomes and consequently higher per capita rates on consumption. The growth in the halal food industry is unlikely to be curbed in the near future.
- ❑ Countries in *North Africa* region are not only import-dependent for food, but consumers are predominantly Muslim with rising per capita incomes. With Muslims making up almost one-third of the population, the halal food industry in *Sub-Saharan Africa* is expected to see continuous growth in the upcoming years
- ❑ With a total share of 9.5% in halal food *Europe, Americas and Australia* are presenting huge demand for high quality, healthy and safe products.

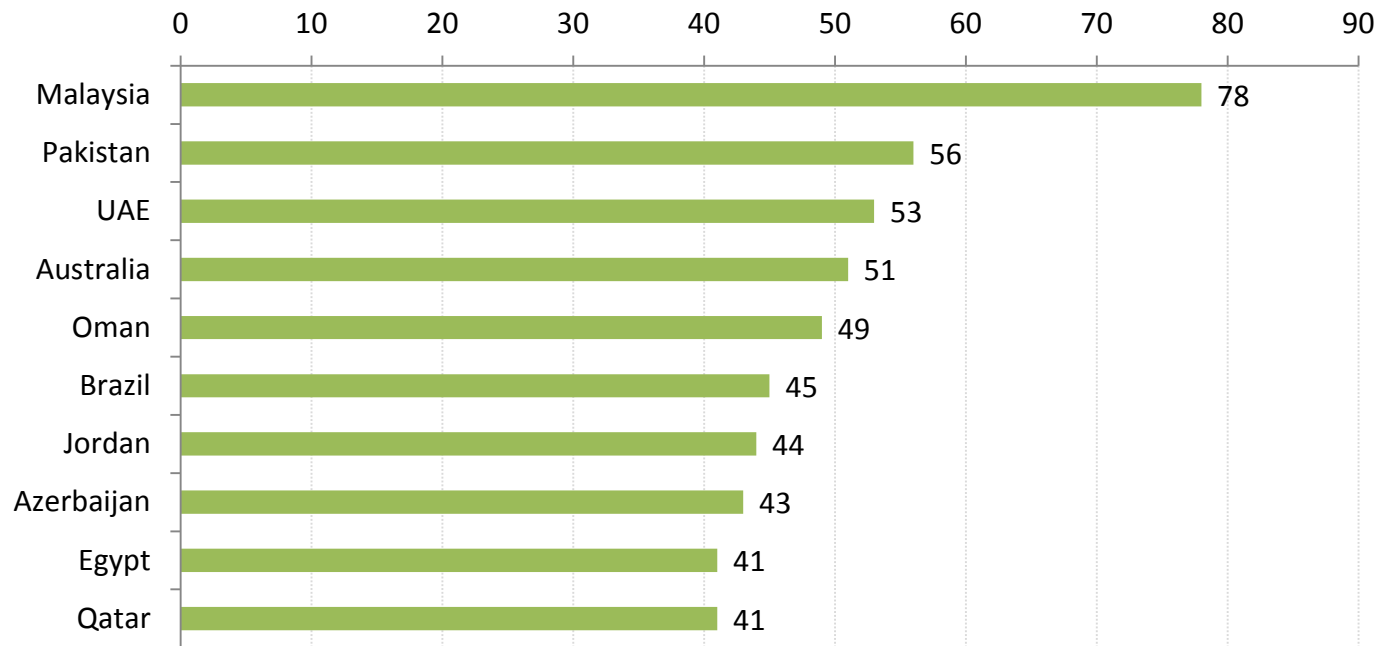


Top Countries by Volume of Muslim Food Consumption Market, 2014

USD billion

Source: State of Global Islamic Economy Report 2015

- ❑ Top-10 markets account for 58% of total halal food consumption in 2014
- ❑ 8 OIC countries are ranked among the top-10 markets...among these.. three countries; Indonesia, Turkey and Pakistan account for 30% of total halal food consumption



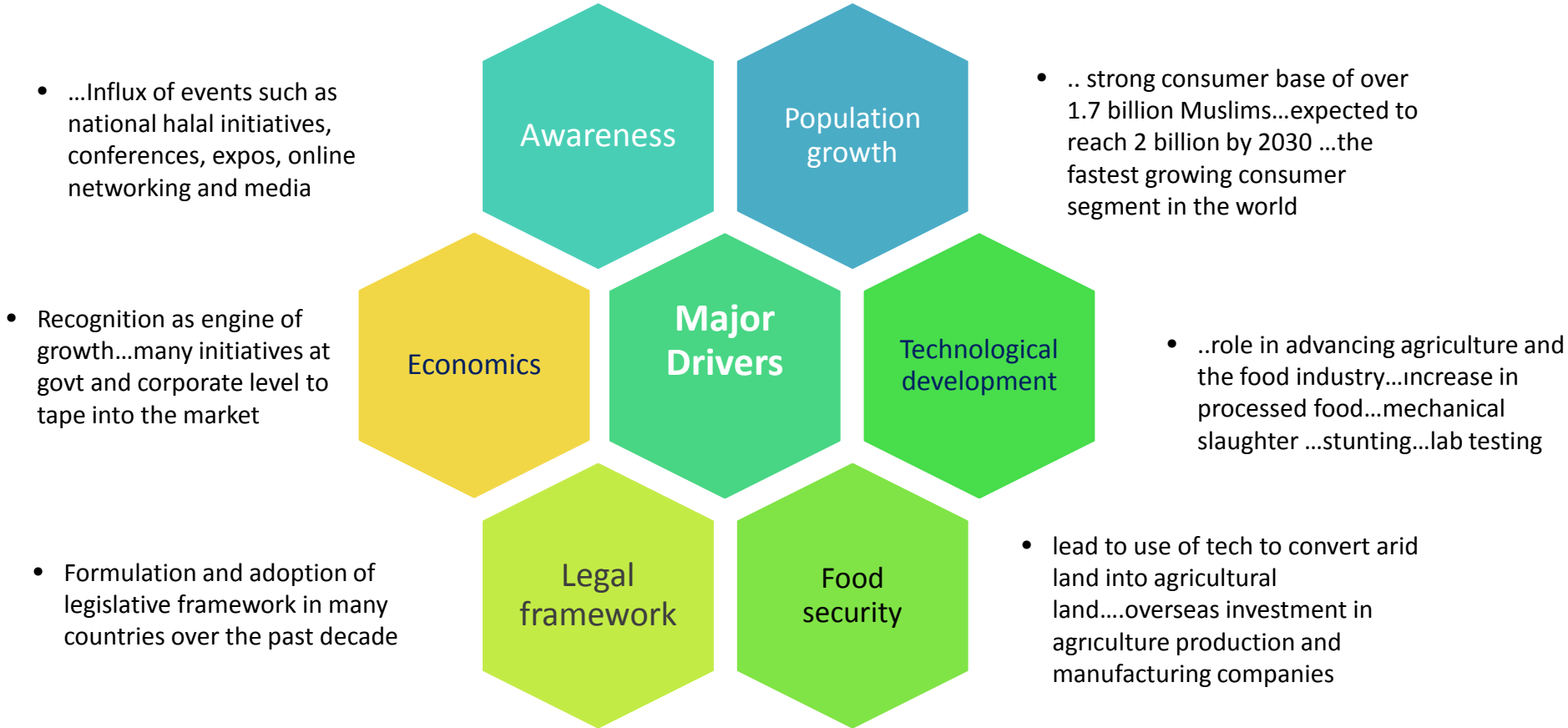
Top Countries by Halal Food Indicator, 2014

Source: State of Global Islamic Economy Report 2015

Halal Food Indicator (HFI) evaluate countries' health and development of their Halal Food ecosystem. The indicator does not focus on the overall size and growth trajectory of a country in the Halal Food sector; instead it evaluates them on relative strengths of the ecosystem they have for the development of the sector.

1. Trade (OIC Food Trade Relative to its size)
2. Governance (Regulation/Certification requirements)
3. Awareness (Media/Events)
4. Social (Food Price Index)

Key Markets, Key Facts (cont.)



Source: From niche to mainstream – Halal Goes Global



Unification of **Standards and Certification**



Halal Food **Authentication**



Unveiling the Potential of **Islamic Finance**

EXISTING REGULATORY ARRANGEMENTS

- Complex and diverse situation.....with a wide range of existing mechanisms across the OIC countries and elsewhere;
- There are over 120 Halal certifying bodies across the world ...following a multitude of standards and procedures....
- Among the 57 OIC MCs...only 5 have official Halal certification bodies , less than half have Halal import regulations while non has a domestic halal act ! (any update)
- Silver lining.....National Halal certification procedures have been developed by Malaysia, Indonesia, Iran, Pakistan, UAE, Turkey
- Many initiatives on Halal certification in non-OIC countries like Thailand, USA, Canada, Brazil, UK and EU

Lack of unified regulatory framework leads to CONFUSION!

STANDARDS AND CERTIFICATION

- OIC trying to realize a unified regulatory framework....through harmonization of Halal Standards, Accreditation and Certification
- ..a long timeline of activities during the last three decades.... Standardization Expert Group established in 1985 ...10th meeting of SEG finalized and adopted three documents in 2009
- Standards and Metrology Institute for the Islamic Countries(SMIIC) established in May 2010 with a mandate to achieve the harmonization of standards among the member countries and for preparation of new ones;
- SMIIC aims at achieving uniformity in metrology, laboratory testing and standardization activities among OIC countries through ensuring education and training and providing technical assistance to the members in the domain of standardization and metrology.
- Currently, 30 OIC countries and two observers are members of SMIIC

OIC/SMIIC Standards Developed include

General Guidelines on Halal Food (OIC/SMIIC 1:2011)

...defines the basic requirements that shall be followed at any stage of food chain including, receiving, preparation, processing, sorting, determination, packaging, labeling, marking, controlling, handling, transportation, distribution, storage and service of halal food and its products based on Islamic rules.

Guidelines for Bodies Providing Halal Certification (OIC/SMIIC 2:2011)

...specify the rules that the halal certification bodies shall satisfy and the requirements for the execution of halal certification activities.

Guidelines for the Halal Accreditation Body Accrediting Halal Certification Bodies (OIC/SMIIC 3:2011)

....prescribe general guidance and procedures for the halal accreditation body assessing and accrediting halal certification bodies

AUTHENTICATION

Halalan Toyyiban requirement

- Throughout the industry, halal requirements must be complied with at all stages of the production and supply chain, including procurement of raw materials and ingredients, logistics and transportation, packaging and labelling

Thus,

- It is imperative to develop **robust scientific methods** for traceability in halal compliance of ingredients and products. Proper authentication will help to guarantee and sustain authenticity, combat fraudulent practices and control adulteration and substitution
- **Consolidation of analytical techniques** will assist integrity and result in a more rapid growth of halal food industry

However,

- OIC countries are lagging in the number of laboratories that are able to develop state-of-the-art analytical and measurement techniques to determine the provenance of halal foods



UNVEILING THE POTENTIAL OF ISLAMIC FINANCE



Islamic finance value proposition for halal food industry

Equity or profit sharing partnerships with halal food companies

- *Mudarabah*
- *Musharakah*

Financial certificates issued by halal companies (leases, debt, asset, etc.)

- *Sukuk (Ijarah,...)*

Financing facility to halal food SMEs for start-up and/or growth

- *Announce a competition for financing innovative ideas and established products for development of the Halal industry*

Financing facility to halal food consumers

- *Murabahah, Ijara, Hybrid, etc.*

- ❑ Halal food industry should better explain the **inter-relatedness of these two industries , business model and risks, how Islamic banks can benefit** by diversifying their lending base and increase their lending options
- ❑ However, inevitable convergence of common interests is likely to lead to a new collaboration between Islamic finance and halal food industries.

- ❑ Rising demand and trade in the halal food products, in the face of **lack of global integrity in the certification process**, has already led to the abuse and misuse of halal food certification. In many instances, halal certificates can be granted very easily;
- ❑ In the case of high tradable products, such as in the GCC countries, **being halal is necessary, but not a sufficient condition** as the halal products are already becoming mainstream and competitive products;
- ❑ Halal markets in OIC and non-OIC countries are fragmented market by ethnicity, location, income, awareness and a few other determinants. Therefore, a **one-size-fits-all strategy simply cannot work**.
- ❑ Halal finance is one of the essential ingredients of halal food. **Interaction between Islamic finance and halal food industries** have been very limited so far.
- ❑ Most halal products in the export markets fail due to **poor product adaptability and lack of branding exercise**. Brand awareness and loyalty are not at the desired level;
- ❑ In many OIC countries, underdeveloped **transport and logistics** negatively impact the intra-OIC halal food trade. Exporting halal food products to some of member countries can only be achieved through multi-modal transport due to the unavailability of seaports, which inevitably adds costs; and
- ❑ **Scientific techniques** as independent means of verifying the halal status of food products are not in place. Traceability for halal certification relies almost solely on paper trail.

The halal food market presents vast business opportunities to food manufacturers in the OIC countries:

- ❑ **Product variety** is currently low and the market is relatively **unsaturated**,
- ❑ **Demand is huge for new and innovative products**, as well as mainstream halal foods,
- ❑ The halal-seeking consumer market can grow very rapidly and will potentially include a **variety of consumer types other than Muslims**,
- ❑ Halal products can be positioned as higher quality, safer products, targeting **consumers who wish to spend more on food products** than average consumers,
- ❑ Many Muslims, who would otherwise prefer halal food, are currently **substituting kosher products** for halal foods, spending billions annually.

- ❑ OIC, the member countries and the global halal food stakeholders should agree on the development of the **global halal standards** and a **mutually recognized halal certification structure** to prevent further abuse and misuse of halal certification;
- ❑ **Monitoring** of the implementation of OIC standards on halal food and guidelines for both certification and accreditation bodies is core to the success of the industry. In this regard, the **scientific and technological infrastructure for halal authentication** should be established;
- ❑ The future growth of halal food industry lies in the **assurance and sustenance of food quality**, rather than pure religious matters. Europe, Americas and Australia with a total share of 57 per cent in total food consumption vis-à-vis only 10 per cent in halal food, are presenting huge demand for higher quality, healthier and safer products;
- ❑ The inevitable **convergence of the halal food and Islamic finance** sectors is one of the key developments that is likely to shape the Halal food sector over the coming years. The areas of collaboration for unraveling the potential of Islamic finance for supporting halal food industry should be sought;
- ❑ OIC member countries with relatively underdeveloped **multi-modal transport infrastructure** should develop their transportation networks to facilitate the intra-OIC trade of halal food; Integration of production and logistics into an **efficient supply chain** network has to be considered;
- ❑ **Capacity building programmes** for halal food activities: Training of halal inspectors, halal food auditors and laboratory analysts;
- ❑ The **role of conventional, digital and social media** in shaping consumer perceptions as well as providing access to 1.7 billion potential customers should be examined.

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