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**S&P Dow Jones Indices Named Best Islamic Index Provider in
The Asset Triple A Islamic Finance Awards 2014**

Hong Kong, May 09, 2014: S&P Dow Jones Indices, the world's largest provider of financial market indices, announced today that it has been awarded the "Best Islamic Index Provider" in *The Asset* magazine's Triple A Islamic Finance Awards 2014. The accolade is yet another recognition of the firm's continuous efforts in bringing transparency and accountability to the Islamic finance market for global investors since 1999.

The Asset's Triple A Awards for Islamic Finance are the industry's leading awards in what has become one of the most dynamic segments of global finance. The awards are adjudicated by *The Asset's* Board of Editors who collectively have several decades worth of evaluating industry awards in Asia Pacific. It assesses both the quantitative and the qualitative factors of an organization.

"Islamic finance is one of the fastest growing niches in the global financial market. S&P Dow Jones Indices is honored to have won this prestigious industry award recognizing our leading position and dedication in serving the increasingly diversified needs of investors in this area," said Alex Maturri, CEO at S&P Dow Jones Indices. "It is a strategic priority for us to continue to provide Islamic and Shari'ah indices maintained with the highest standards, both as benchmarks for market performance and as the basis for new investment products."

This award is the second Islamic finance award S&P Dow Jones Indices has received so far this year, following the "Best Islamic Index Provider" in the Islamic Finance News Awards conferred by trade publication *Islamic Finance News* in January.

S&P Dow Jones Indices is the largest provider of Islamic and Shari'ah indices in the world, calculating thousands of indices in this category that are widely used by investors from both the Islamic world and beyond. The Dow Jones Islamic Market™ Index family, for instance, is widely regarded as the most detailed and visible set of Shari'ah-compliant benchmarks in the world.

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