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A one-day conference addressing the role that faith plays in furthering organisational mission.

What difference does faith make? This bespoke conference is specifically designed for senior leaders and decision-makers working in faith-based charities. We want to create an opportunity to discuss and analyse the role that faith plays in furthering many charities' mission, as well as to unpick some of the key challenges facing this unique group of organisations. We hope you will join us for what promises to be an inspiring and thought-provoking day.

08:30	Registration, coffee & networking
09:10	Chair's welcome - Fadi Itani, CEO, Muslim Charities Forum
09:20	Opening keynote: Thought for the day
	As the world becomes increasingly polarised, how can inter faith relationships build a strong and united society?
	Jatinder Singh Birdi, co-chair, Inter Faith Network
09:50	The big picture: Faith and charities today
	How religious is Britain today? What impact does religion have on people's attitudes, behaviour and relationships with charities? Why is the number of faith charities increasing when the UK is becoming more secular? What opportunities and challenges do Britain's faith charities face today? This session will provide the data you need to know to inform your strategy.
	Ben Ryan, head of research, Theos Think Tank
10:30	The role of faith in leadership
	What are the many ways in which leaders can use their faith to make a positive difference to their charity and the people they serve? What happens when leaders find it difficult to separate their beliefs from their professional responsibilities, thus impacting on their legal obligations? This session will explore how faith informs leadership and decision-making and provide practical examples to help you lead effectively.
	Edwina Turner , senior associate, charities, Anthony Collins, Ross Hendry , chief executive, Spurgeons

11:10	Networking & refreshment break
11:40	Making the case for service delivery by faith-based charities
	We know that the extent and impact of the work of faith-based organisations, and their reach into communities, are often marginalised. Drawing on the experiences of members of the Faith Action Network, this session will help faith charities understand how to effectively demonstrate their impact in a world where doubt is often cast on their abilities and effectiveness.
	Daniel Singleton, national executive director, Faith Action Network
12:20	How faith investing can change the world
	Why with faith, patience and persistence, charities really can change the world and make handsome investment returns whilst doing so.
	David Palmer, CEO, Epworth plus a charity case study
13:00	Lunch
14:00	Showing leadership on the challenging issues of our time
	Trupti Patel, president of the Hindu Forum of Britain
14:40	Using design-led principles to inform your fundraising strategy
	Christian Aid Week is one of the longest running annual fundraising weeks on the calendar. Yet despite this, it has not been immune from the same challenges facing other organisations, including an ageing donor base, and disruption caused by new and emerging technology. This session will outline how Christian Aid took a new approach to solving these challenges and used design-led principles to develop a new fundraising strategy for Christian Aid Week.
	Lianne Howard-Dace and Sophie Brightwell, fundraising, Christian Aid
15:20	Networking break
15:40	Protecting your reputation
	What happens when a crisis hits? How do you make sure your stakeholders, your reputation and your income are protected? What systems and processes need to be in place to help prevent crises from taking place and to minimise the damage if and when one occurs? Drawing on the speakers' own experiences at Islamic Relief, this session will provide some of the answers.
	Khaleel Desai , head of governance, and Judith Escribano , head of communications, Islamic Relief Worldwide
16:20	Panel discussion: Have faith organisations failed their communities?
	UK society is more divided than ever. Hate crime is increasing. Poverty is increasing. What's gone wrong and why? Have faith charities done all they can to speak out against and address inequalities? How can we bring our communities back together again? Against a backdrop of Brexit, Windrush and Grenfell, this panel will discuss all these questions and more.
	Speakers: Rabbi Shoshana Boyd Gelfand, director, JHub, Jehangir Malik OBE, chief executive, Muslim Aid, Dr Omar Khan, director, Runnymede Trust
17:10	Chair's closing remarks
17:20	Networking drinks

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