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Dr. Fakhara Rizwan is a certified director and a qualified corporate lawyer (Doctorate in Corporate Laws from International Islamic University Malaysia), distinguished as the only Pakistani with a doctorate on corporate laws governing takeover and merger activity in Pakistan. She has authored a book on 'Corporate Takeovers and Mergers—A Study on the Banks Role as Adviser', a founding work on the subject and two editions of the same are already published.

She is the first Pakistani member of the Malaysian Corporate Counsels Association. She practiced law in Malaysia and provided consultancy to Pakistan High Commission and numerous reputable corporate entities for almost five years. She was also engaged in the *pro bono* practice for the welfare of destitute Pakistani nationals residing in Malaysia.

In 2014, joined AlBaraka Bank Pakistan as its 'Company Secretary and Head of Legal Department.' She played an instrumental role in acquiring *Burj* Bank Limited by *AlBaraka* Bank, which its board of directors valued. In 2017, She joined ORIX Leasing Pakistan Limited as Company Secretary & Head of the Legal Department. She had been the Vice-Chairperson of the Non-Banking Financial Institutions & Modaraba Association and representative of the Leasing Industry in FPCCI.

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