"The 50 trillion dollar question: Closing the emerging markets' capital gap", The Economist's virtual event, 25 Nov 2020

Dr. Nasser Saidi joined a panel discussion titled "The 50 trillion dollar question: Closing the Emerging Markets' Capital Gap", organised by The Economist and supported by Standard Chartered, on 25th November 2020.

The topic overview is as follows:

The goal of ESG impact alongside financial returns is becoming the new default for investors. Today, the UN's Principles for Responsible Investing represents more assets than it ever has. The flurry of social-bond issuing this year, far above 2019 levels, to underpin the covid-19 economic recovery, is also testament to this upward trend. The implications should be heralded across the board. Sustainable finance will underpin the world's ability to meet the 2030 Agenda and the Paris Agreement. It is also key to international development, as emerging markets race against time to transition to low-carbon and climate resilient economies. For now though, sustainable investments tend to be skewed to the West. The irony is that if impact is the bottom line, then emerging markets — where the impact of every dollar is disproportionately greater should be top of mind. There is a growing imperative to transfer a portion of the estimated 50 trillion dollars under asset management into sustainable projects in emerging markets, if we are to make an impact on decarbonising.

Watch the discussion below:

## Interview with CNBC Arabia on central bank responses to Covid19, 6 Apr 2020

Dr. Nasser Saidi's CNBC Arabia interview focused on the role of central banks in the ongoing Covid19 pandemic, growing levels of debt, limits to role of monetary policy as well as Universal Basic Income. This interview was aired on 6th April 2020.

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"Climate & Financial Stability are Interdependent Public Goods", Keynote Presentation at CEBC's "Landscape of Sustainable Finance" event, 2 Mar 2020

Dr. Nasser Saidi presented an opening keynote, titled "Climate & Financial Stability are Interdependent Public Goods", at the Clean Energy Business Council (CEBC)'s Sustainable/Climate

Finance event, held in Dubai on 2nd March 2020.

The presentation provided an overview of the major issues relating to climate change globally, before moving on to exploring the various fiscal and regulatory tools available for climate action, with a specific focus on financing. Dr. Nasser Saidi also spoke at length how the Middle East can adapt to climate change before ending with a snapshot of how the CEBC plans to contribute to this effort.

## "Central Bank Governance: Looking Back, Looking Forward to Disruption & Transformation", Keynote Presentation at the IMFHawkamah Central Bank Governance Forum, 28 Jan 2019

Dr. Nasser Saidi presented the opening keynote at the IMF-Hawkamah Central Bank Governance Forum held in Dubai on 28th Jan 2019.

Titled "Central Bank Governance: Looking Back, Looking Forward to Disruption & Transformation", the presentation looked at lessons learned from past crises, and identified the need to look forward to plan and manage disruption and transformation. Focusing on the new global economic and financial geography,

the talk identified some key implications for central bank governance, including from recent trends in technological disruption and transformation.

Click <a href="here">here</a> to download the presentation.

## "The Fintech Challenge: Transforming Banking, Finance, Payments & Central Banking", Presentation to the UAE Central Bank, 20 Nov 2018

Dr. Saidi provided a keynote address on "The Fintech Challenge: Transforming Banking, Finance, Payments & Central Banking" to the UAE Central Bank on Nov 20, 2018.

The presentation, given as part of the UAE Central Bank's Strategy Session, covered issues like why Fintech is growing globally and in the MENA region, industry trends, as well as how central banks are adapting and embracing Fintech. Developing the right ecosystem for FinTech and how central banking could change over the next generation were also key discussion points.

## Bloomberg Daybreak Middle East Interview, 3 Jun 2018

In the June 3, 2018 edition of Bloomberg Daybreak: Middle East, Dr. Nasser Saidi speaks about oil prices, OPEC market shares, Turkey's inflation and its central bank's moves.

Watch the interview below.

The original link to the full episode (Dr. Nasser Saidi speaks from

28:14 onwards): <a href="https://www.bloomberg.com/news/videos/2018-06-03/-bloomberg-daybreak-middle-east-full-show-6-3-2018-video">https://www.bloomberg.com/news/videos/2018-06-03/-bloomberg-daybreak-middle-east-full-show-6-3-2018-video</a>