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Dawood Yousef Taylor has been at the forefront of Islamic Life Insurance development in the Middle East for the past first years. Heading up the team which developed and introduced the first, and only at this time, such programme in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia to receive both Sharia and Saudi Arabian Monetary Agency approval. The Wakala (agency) takaful model developed by Bank Al Jazira is now the Islamic contract model of choice for most new operators in this field.

Dawood's earlier career was in conventional insurance in marketing and sales, heading up an international agency sales operation in the western region of Saudi Arabia. He was also Assistant General Manager-Head of Investment Division, KSA, for the Arab National Bank when one of the first Dow Jones Islamic Index funds was introduced to the Kingdom. Dawood has lived in the Kingdom for the last thirty years and is a frequent speaker at conferences on Islamic and conventional banking and insurance matters and has published a number of articles on Takaful Ta'awuni in the local and international press.