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Welcome back, Rowan Baker .		An influx of Muslims into the EU won't necessarily make it a more attractive area for other Muslim investors, said Swan. "I don't think Middle Eastern investors will choose to invest in a city just because of its Muslim population. But there might be a need to raise European Shariah-compliant funds, as well as ones from the Middle East. I think we will see more Shariah-compliant financing as the Muslim population increases."
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