

Faeq Juma Al Mandeel



Faeq is a Managing Director of Urban Vision, a Bahrain-based consulting firm.

Education and Qualifications

1992 Mphil in Urban Planning (Policies & Development Legislation) – New Castle Upon Tune University – United Kingdom.

1984 Diploma in Urban Design – Institute of Planning, Nottingham University.

1983 Certificate in Design and Execution of Urban Projects in the Arab States from Habitat & Housing Corporation of Jordan – Amman – Jordan.

1981 BSc. Urban Planning Engineering from Faculty of Engineering, Al-Azhar University – Cairo – Egypt. (Good).

Recent Employment and Experience

2006 - Present Land-Use Planner, Specialist Consultant with Urban Vision, and a Bahrain-based consulting firm. As the Director General of the firm, Faeq is also responsible for the day-to-day running of the firm.

2004 –2006 Assistant Undersecretary for Urban Planning, Ministry of Municipalities & Agriculture Affairs - Bahrain.

2003 – 2004 Director for Development & Research for Ministry of Municipalities & Agriculture Affairs.

1996 – 2003 Head of Studies & Research, Directorate of Physical Planning, Ministry of Housing & Works - Bahrain.

Duties and responsibilities during employment

Faeq has been involved in managing the spatial planning Policies and responsibilities at various levels (national, regional and local). He has also managed the development control of planning activities such as day to day cases, implementation of Master and Detail, urban renewal and urban design plan.

Other related activities and responsibilities such as planning rules and regulations, land acquisition, city beatification (landscape, outdoor advertisements, street furniture arrangement...etc.

Whilst a senior civil servant at the Ministry of Housing in Bahrain, Faeq was therefore responsible for *the implementation of the local and regional (Governorate) land-use plans* in Bahrain.

As the head of 'Planning Studies & Research' at the Ministry of Municipalities, Faeq worked with transport planners and integration issues in the context of planning and traffic management in Bahrain.

Examples of Projects

Examples of projects that Faeq has overseen over the past 10 years include:

- Architectural Design of various Municipal projects such as Malls, commercial building, Municipalities' Buildings etc.
- Landscape design for various national parks and public gardens and green spaces.
- Municipal planning related research projects.
- Coordination between various Municipalities and Government Services' agencies in relation to outdoor advertisements and other city beautification projects.
- Promotion of investment of municipality properties.
- Income generation for the municipalities through development of various sectors such as property investments, outdoor advertisement, municipal feesetc.
- Development of municipal producers and regulations for the different activities.

Membership of Land-use planning Committees

Faeq has served in various committees including:

- Supervise steering committee for National Planning Development Strategy (NPDS)
- Development Control Committee.
- Joint Technical Committee.
- Committee of Building Permission.
- Committee of checking the architectural elevations.
- Street Advertisements Committee.
- Publicity Committee.
- Committee of the study of New Building Applications.
- Other Planning & Development Studies Committees.

Membership of Organisations and Committees

- **2001** Member in the Arbitration Organisation for the Arab Housing & Development Council.
- **2000** Member of the 21st Century Program for the follow-up of 21st Agenda aiming at the preparation of the national Report of the State of Bahrain for the R10 – 10+ meeting on Environment.
- **1999** Member of Census Consultative Committee in the State of Bahrain.