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Professional Experience:

Ministry of Youth and Sport Affairs

Acting Assistant Undersecretary for Facilities & Projects Feb 2020-current

- *Developing the athletic facilities specifications in The Kingdom of Bahrain*
- *Overlooking sport facilities projects from design to completion*
- *Overlooking management of multiple contracts to operate public sport facilities*

Ministry of Youth and Sport Affairs

Acting Assistant Undersecretary for Legal Affairs & Licensing Jan 2019-Feb 2020

- *Developing the legal framework for private and public sports centers*
- *Monitoring all sports clubs in Bahrain for legal compliance*
- *Licensing Youth and Sport clubs to operate publicly or privately*

Ministry of Youth and Sport Affairs

Assistant Undersecretary for Youth Centers and Commissions June 2016-January 2019

- *Overlook all Youth Centers and Commissions in the country*
- *Overlook model Youth Centers*
- *Design National Strategy for Youth Development through Youth Centers*

ML Management

General Manager March 2015-June 2016

- *Licensed by World Triathlon Corporation for IRONMAN Bahrain and IRONMAN Dubai with complete exclusivity*
- *WTC is the largest Mass Participation sports company in the World*
- *Working with all relevant local authorities in Bahrain at the highest level*

German Sports Middle East

General Manager June 2014-March 2015

- *Sports trading company covering the Middle East region*

- *Sports events management company (Challenge Bahrain/Dubai) largest triathlon events in the World.*
- *Worked with all relevant local authorities in Bahrain at the highest level*
- *Corporate Bronze Award by Sports360*

Embassy of The Kingdom of Bahrain in Washington, D.C. U.S.A.

Media Attaché and Economic Representative *July 2011-February 2012*

- *Diplomat/spokesperson/Ambassador Advisor*
- *Spoke in forums, panels, and media outlets about the Political, Social, and Economic issues related to The Kingdom.*
- *Networking with media outlets and Think Tanks.*

Bahrain Economic Development Board

February 2011-June 2014

Head of Investor Relations at Business Development

- *Manage all investors' cases with local authorities*
- *Prepare feedback and analysis to projects' teams to assist in government reform programs*
- *Manage the establishment of international companies in Bahrain*

Ahlia University, Kingdom of Bahrain

January 2010-June 2010

Professor of Economics

- *Micro and Macroeconomics*
- *Statistics and Econometrics*

AMA International University Bahrain

January 2010-Feb 2011

Professor of International Studies

- *Comparative Politics*
- *International Relations*

Professor of Human Resource Management

- *Leadership Strategies*
- *Management Strategies*
- *Labor Relations*

Bahrain Defense Force, Kingdom of Bahrain

Commissioned in August 1998

Directorate of Military Cooperation

International Cooperation Division

May 2003-June 2014

- *Rank: Major (0-4)*
- *Position: Political/Military Advisor*
- *Job Objective:*
 - *Develop and Maintain Military & Legal Relations with Friendly Nations Worldwide.*
 - *Maintain and review the status of International Agreements of which Bahrain Defense Force is a member.*
 - *Quantitative and Qualitative Research on mutual beneficial relations.*
 - *Plan and Perform national and domestic level crisis management exercises.*

Bahrain Defense Force, Kingdom of Bahrain

Royal Command and Staff College

Occasional Lecturer on Staff Leadership and Management

Academic Background:

Claremont Graduate University, California, U.S.A.

August 2005-August 2009

- *Degree: Ph.D. in Political Science*
- *Major I: International Relations: World Politics, International Political Economy*
- *Major II: Comparative Politics: Comparative Politics, Institutions, Foreign Policy*

American University, Washington, D.C., U.S.A.

August 2001-May 2003

- *Degree: Masters of Arts in International Affairs*
- *Field: International Relations*
- *Concentration: Comparative and Regional Studies*

The Citadel, South Carolina, U.S.A.

August 1998-August 2001

- *Degree: Bachelor of Arts in Political Science*
- *Field: Political Science*
- *Concentration: International Politics and Military Affairs*

Achievements and Awards:

- *Voted best general blog in Bahrain in 2014 by Bahrain SMC saqeralkhalifa.com*
- *Bahrain Defense Force:*

- *Hawar Island Freedom Award*
- *Commander in Chief Academic Excellence Award.*
- *Army Officer Staff Course Award*
- *Claremont Graduate University:*
 - *His Highness The Prime Minister Education Ceremony Award.*
- *American University:*
 - *His Highness The Prime Minister Education Ceremony Award.*
- *The Citadel:*
 - *Gold Stars (Cumulative GPA of 4.0 per semester)*
 - *Dean's List (Cumulative GPA of 3.3 per semester)*
- *Ibn Khuldoon National School:*
 - *His Highness The Crown Prince Academic Excellence Award for Royal Family High School Graduates.*

Extra Curricular Activities:

- *President: Bahrain Collegiate Athletics Association* *December 2019-Current*
- *President: Bahrain Triathlon Association* *December 2013-December 2019*
- *Socio-Economic Writer/Commentator*
 - *Various TV appearances and Journals publications*
- *Chairman: Bahrain Road Runners* *April 2011-May 2013*
- *Committee Member: Bahrain Road Runners* *May 2009-May 2010*
- *East Riffa Club Vice President of Sports Committee* *September 2002-May 2003*
- *Citadel Club of Greater Washington* *August 2001-May 2003*

Research and Computer Skills:

- *Quantitative Empirical Analysis:*
 - *Stata & Microsoft Excel*
- *Qualitative Analysis*