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Professional Experience Summary

I have been involved in International Business Development with the Iraqi Institute for Economic Reform (IIER) since 2010, working with Transparency International, Extractive Industry Transparency Initiative, World Bank, National Resource Governance Institute, UNIDO, USAID, Mercy Corp, IBP and OECD on various development and transparency projects in Iraq. This is in addition to the voluntary charitable work in the UK.

I am confident in working at national and international levels, with Ministers, government departments and local authorities, financial institutions and charitable voluntary organisations. In matters relating to finance, good governance and management, and interpretation of regulation.

I am a professional in Management, Finance and Government Regulation, with many years of working experience in Private and Public sectors as well as Charitable organisations. I have been involved and led on number of strategic initiatives in modernisation government departments, development of policies and procedures in the Public Sector. I have also been involved in encouraging investment in regeneration and economic development at both the UK and international level.

I started my professional career as an accountant and financial controller in the private sector, in Manufacturing and construction industry, I then, joined the public sector as a management accountant at Companies House and later an Auditor and Regulator of Social Housing with the Welsh Government working at senior level including working and briefing with ministers.

Educational Background

- ACCA -Certificate level from Chartered Association of Certified Accountants in UK
- B.A. (Com) Business studies, Al - Mustansariyah University, Basra, Iraq
- I also attended a number of training courses in Management and Finance part of my continuing professional development.
- Chatham House Leadership programme.

Languages

English and Arabic, read, write and speak fluently.

Brief Employment history

- 2010 – to date: Iraqi Institute for Economic Reform

International Business Development Manager – leading and working closely on a number international projects.

- OECD Iraq Projects
- EITI Iraq
- NRGI
- Doing Business Survey- Iraq
- Open Budget Survey –Iraq
- US Department of State - Iraq

- 2010 – 2012 Coastal Housing – Consultant in Housing Finance

A short term, part time assignment to assist in arranging housing stock security for long term funding from various financial institution’ as well as assisting management on a number of adhoc tasks financial and regulatory.

2005- 2010 Welsh Assembly Government

Regulation Manager - Responsible for, monitoring performance of social housing sector in Wales; review of regulatory framework to reduce burden of regulation; provided assessment and evaluation on stock transfers in Wales; Provided advice, guidance and support to Ministers; Work closely with the financial institutions to build confidence in housing sector and to maintain investment levels and competitiveness. Drafted legislative and amendments to housing legislation, which later became law approved by Welsh Assembly and UK Parliament.

- 2000 – 2005 Welsh Assembly Government

Management and Finance Auditor, conducting many audit assignments to assess social housing providers’ compliance with regulatory code and its financial viability. Also dealt with a number of investigations following complaints to ministers from tenants and shareholders.

- 1991 to 2000 - Companies House

Finance Manager and Management Accountant with the Department of Trade and Industry. Managing financial operations and budgeting at Companies House (Registrar of Companies in UK). Joined the department to assist in reforming and implementing change in line with Government Modernisation Programme, to increase efficiency and reduce cost.

- 1990-1991- Accountant with Tern Construction Group plc. and then Amy Buildings Ltd., responsible for the financial control of construction contracts and administration.

- 1989 to 1990 - Financial controller with Barbarian Holdings Ltd., Textile and sport clothing Manufacturing Company, responsible for financial planning and budgeting as well administration of the company.

CV of Mohammed Ali Field

- 1988 to 1989 - Accountant with F.W. Morgan Group LTD., Importers and Builders Merchants.
- 1977 to 1988 - Financial Director & Company Secretary of Panenore Holdings Ltd., a group of companies' specialists in Industrial and Safety Equipment, I was responsible for the entire financial control and administration of the group.

Voluntary Charitable Work

- Cardiff Third Sectors Council
- Welsh Refugee Council – Director and Trustee / Treasurer
- Family Contact Centre – Director and Trustee / Treasurer
- Safer Wales - Director and Trustee / Treasurer
- Smart Money (Credit Union) – Co-opted to Management Board
- BBC Children in Need – Committee Member
- Race Equality First - Director and Trustee