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Professional Profile

Strategic Cultural Consultant and Cultural Diplomacy Expert advising government ministries, international agencies, and high-profile dignitaries. Specializes in the history of art, Political Sociology, leveraging arts narratives, and cultural strategies to manage political crises, shape national identities, and foster international relations. Combines academic rigor with practical executive advisory experience.

Consultancy & Advisory Experience

- **Cultural & Strategic Consultant** | His Highness Sayyid Barghash bin Said Al Said (2012)

*Provided specialized cultural and artistic advisory services, aligning media strategies with institutional visions.

- **Cultural Consultant** | The French Press Agency (AFP/FBI), Baghdad (2011)

*Advised on cultural context, visual messaging, and media strategies within complex political environments.

- **Cultural Consultant** | The Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs (2008 – 2011)

*Facilitated cultural exchange programs and advised on Italy-Arab cultural diplomacy initiatives

Cultural Diplomacy & National Identity Projects

- **National Identity Consultant & Lead Designer** | Republic of Iraq (2005)

*Designed the official logos for the Iraqi Parliament, the Independent High Electoral Commission, the Ministry of Electricity, and the Iraqi Integrity Commission.

*Conceptualized the Iraqi Constitution logo ("Our Constitution is Our Tent") and supervised the printing of 12 million national booklets.

- **Strategic Campaign Director** | United Nations (2005 & 2010)

*Supervised and designed electoral awareness campaigns, ensuring cultural sensitivity and maximum public.

Education & Executive Training

- **Ph.D. in Design and Visual Culture** | University of Granada, Spain (Grade: Excellent / Cum Laude)

*Research focus: Effective Uses of Culture and Graphic Design in Managing Contemporary Political Crises.

- **Diploma in Leadership and Crisis Management** | European Institute of Leadership and Management (2021)
- **Master's Degree in Design** | University of Baghdad, Iraq

Executive Education & Professional Certifications

Advanced Mini Masters / Diplomas in Management & Leadership | European Institute for Leadership and Management | August 2023

Completed an intensive executive training track focusing on organizational strategy, risk mitigation, and team leadership. Core modules include:

- **Strategy and Operations:** Aligning cultural initiatives with institutional goals and operational efficiency.
- **Leadership and Organizations:** Navigating complex organizational structures and fostering collaborative environments.
- **Leadership and Teamwork:** Building and directing high-performing creative and cultural teams.
- **Change Management:** Leading institutions and communities through cultural and structural transitions.
- **Risk Management:** Identifying and mitigating risks in large-scale cultural productions and events.

Languages

Arabic (Native) | English (Fluent) | Spanish (Professional) | French (Basic) | German (Basic)