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PERSONAL INFORMATION

- Date of birth: 01/01/1973
- Nationality: Lebanese
- Marital status: Married

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Feb 2013 – Present **Ministry of Finance – General Directorate of Land Registry and Cadastre (GDLRC)**

Director General of Land Registry and Cadastre

Managing the GDLRC services and activities, as well as developing new ones, in accordance with the objectives and policies, the plans of strategic development, the annual programs, the set performance programs, and the legislation in force. In addition to supervising the activities, operations and accounts of both the central and regional departments.

2005 – July 2017 **Ministry of Finance – General Directorate of Public Finance - Mount Lebanon Regional Tax Office**

Head of the Mount Lebanon Regional Tax Office

Applying Tax Function Effectiveness and advising taxpayers on all Direct and Indirect Tax matters and creating a pilot region, while creating a Team Spirit amongst all employees.

- 1* Apply models for a new orientation of the tax function
- 2* Design of a generic audit calendar
- 3* Develop risk management systems
- 4* Support to Business Process Reengineering
- 5* Implement tax policies
- 6* Monitor the departments and the related cashiers
- 7* Manage the taxes and fees operations that fall within the functions of the head of the regional office by virtue of the laws and regulations in force.
- 8* Follow-up and monitor collection
- 9* Provide tax monitoring
- 10* Collect statistics on taxes and fees
- 11* Process and follow-up the objections
- 12* Study the effectiveness of the audit programs' extent of application
- 13* Provide the flow of information to all employees

2002 – 2005 **Ministry of Finance - VAT Directorate**

Head of the Tax Compliance Department

Handling the preparation of audit plans, the analysis of taxpayer profile & the

follow-up of informal sectors & non-compliers. This resulted in acquiring a practical experience in conducting VAT compliance & audit of multi sectors.

14* Participation in setting policies for compliance in concordance with the applicable legislation

15* Implementation of said policies in order to improve the compliance level and management of audits and enquiries

16* Review and preparation of tax compliance work.

17* Risk management

18* Development of selection criteria for audit program planning and scoring system

19* Monitoring of audit, comparison with objection results and reporting

20* Follow up of non filers and informal sectors

2001 – 2002 Ministry of Finance - General Directorate of Public Finance

Member of the VAT Implementation Team

Contributed to the Design Phase of the introduction and development of the Value Added Tax in Lebanon.

21* Taking part in the Canadian technical assistance project in Lebanon for the development and implementation of the VAT

22* Preparation of the VAT tax policies and procedures

23* Contribution to the preparation of the VAT law, decrees, instructions, tax bulletins and guides

24* Training of new recruits on the VAT law and the related decrees

25* Public awareness through presentations and seminars

26* Participating in the comparison study on different VAT systems

27* Development of incentives and simulations techniques (Impact of the VAT application on all sectors)

28* Preparation and deliverance of presentations on issues related to VAT

1998 - 2001 Ministry of Finance - General Directorate of Public Finance - North Regional Tax Office

Senior Tax Auditor

29* Managing a team of auditors concerning the issues related to the Income tax, the Built Property tax and Excise tax

30* Undertaking field audit visits, as a member of income tax teams, to taxpayers' premises for audit purposes

31* Undertaking field audit visits in order to levy the built property tax

32* Controlling and auditing restaurants, hotels and nightclubs to check excise tax calculation

33* Auditing contracts in order to levy stamp duty

34* Conducting a detailed review of the auditors' work

1995 - 1998 Ministry of Finance - General Directorate of Public Finance- North Regional Tax Office

Tax auditor

35* Auditing taxpayers on income tax

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

2005 - Present **Lebanese University**

Lecturer

36* International Accounting Standards / IFRS

37* Accounting systems comparison

38* Public Finance

2003 - Present **IPNET**

Lecturer

39* International Accounting Standards / IFRS

TRAINING EXPERIENCE

Delivered trainings

July 2013 –Present **World Bank**

Tax consultant

Training the Kuwaiti tax officers on IAS/IFRS.

January 2014 **IMF**

Tax consultant

Technical assistance for the Sudanese Tax Administration on Audit Manual

March 2013 **IMF**

Tax consultant

Technical assistance for the Yemenite Tax Administration on VAT related to:

40* Risk Management and Audit Planning

41* Risk Analysis & Risk Grid

42* Audit Case management

43* Follow – up and Monitoring

44* Audit Manual

August 2010 **IMF**

Tax consultant

Technical assistance for the Yemenite Tax Administration on VAT related to:

45* Transitional phase

46* Zero rated goods and services

47* Taxpayers' compliance rules

48* Tax compliance and implementation procedures

49* Internal and external communication and awareness

50* Audit techniques

51* Audit of specific sectors and industries i.e. pharmacies, hospitals, restaurants, hotels, travel agents and car rental companies

October 2009 **Arab Organization for Certified Public Accountants**
Expert in international accounting standards (IAS)

Training for the Algerien certified auditors on IAS/IFRS.

May 2009 **IFC**

Tax consultant

Training for the Yemenite Tax Administration on issues related to the VAT and the tax compliance. Main topics: Tax compliance – fight tax evasion – risk analysis – Evaluation of audit plans

2001-Present **Institute of Finance – Ministry of finance**

Trainer

52* Tax laws

53* Audit techniques

54* Tax compliance and risk management

LECTURES AND SEMINARS

- Preparation and deliverance of seminars and lectures on the VAT since 2001 till the present time (more than 50 lectures and seminars) to members of :

55* Chambers of Commerce and Industry

56* Lebanese Association of Certified Public Accountants

57* Ministry of Finance

58* Auditing and accounting offices

59* NGOs

60* Ministries and public institutions

61* Banks

62* Municipalities

63* Universities

- Participation in local and international conferences on tax and land issues

- Participation in TV and radio interviews and in lectures related to the VAT and land affairs

FIELD VISITS TO FOREIGN TAX AND LAND ADMINISTRATIONS

- France

- Spain

- Hungary

- Czech republic

- Austria

- United Kingdom

- Poland

EDUCATION

2001-2003 **MBA graduate** UQAM-ESIG

General MBA

1992-1996 **BA, Business Administration**
Lebanese University

Finance & Accounting

AWARDS OR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

2016 **Honorary Doctorate in Business Administration** Lebanese
Canadian University

MISCELLANEOUS

Languages: Arabic, French and English (written and spoken)

Computer Skills: Word, Excel, Power Point, Internet