

Aws AlShaheen

Education and Qualifications:

2016 **Northwestern University**: “Leadership Through Social Influence” course on Coursera.

2016 **University of California, Irvine**: “Time Management for Personal & Professional Productivity” and “Initiating and Planning Projects” courses on Coursera.

2016 **Boston Language Institute**: Farsi Level 1 and Level 2.

2014 – 2015 **University of Bradford**: MA International Politics and Security Studies with *Merit*; (Dissertation title: Kuwait’s Evolving Foreign Aid Policy).

2014 – 2015 **Bradford College**: Passed two courses of Introductory Urdu.

2004 – 2008 **Kuwait University**: Bachelor Degree of Political Sciences with a co-op major of English Language.

2000 – 2004 **American Creativity Academy**: High School Diploma.

Employment:

- (November 2016 -) **Sunbulah Humanitarian Consultancy** – Executive Director.

- (January 2007 – September 2014) **General Trading and Contracting Company** - Deputy General Manager.

- (February 2012 – June 2012) **Bureau of M.P. Osama Al-Shaheen**- Head of Bureau.

Activities, Interests and Memberships:

- (2016 - 2018) Columnist at daily *Al-Anba’a* in the State of Kuwait.

- (2016) Blogged at HuffPostArabi.com, the Arabic version of **Huffington Post**.

- (2014/2015) Member of the **Peace Society** at the University of Bradford.

- (2014/2015) Member of the **Political Studies Association**, the **Development Studies Association** and the **Peace and Justice Studies Association**.

- (2014/2015) Member of the **General Assembly of the National Union of Kuwait Students – UK branch**.

- (2012) Participant in an **IVLP** about human rights, organised by the **U.S. Department of State**.

- (2012) Participant in a regional programme about transparency in political finance organized by **ARPAC** and **IFES**, and funded by **MEPI**.

- (2011/2012 – present) Member of the **Kuwaiti Association for the Basic Evaluators of Human Rights** and the **Kuwaiti Human Rights Society**.

- (2009) Participant in the **UPR sessions** in Geneva held by the **Human Rights Council of the UN**.

- (2009) Acknowledged, for the second time, by the **Cultural Attaché of the Embassy of the State of Kuwait** for managing the visit of a British student group to Kuwait.

- (2009) Awarded by the **Administration of the College of Social Sciences at Kuwait University** “for serving the college community”.

- (2009) **Arab Youth Council for Integrated Development at the Arab League Award Winner** for “the supporting of Arab youth”.
- (2008) Participant at the **Civilizations Dialogue**, hosted by the **Ministry of Awqaf (endowments)**, between Japan and the Muslim World.
- (2008/2009) Member of the **Political Club** at Kuwait University.

Positions and Responsibilities:

- (2008/2009) Elected **President of the National Union of Kuwait Students**.
- (2008/2009) Member of the **Regulations Committee at Kuwait University**.
- (2008/2009) **Editor-in-chief** of *AlRai AlTulabi* newspaper (published by the NUKS).
- (2008/2009) **Head of the Establishing Board of the Union of the GCC Student Organizations**.
- (2006/2007) Elected **Executive Director of the National Union of Kuwait Students**.

Volunteering:

- (2008 - present) Volunteer at the **Kuwait Charity Fund** supervising periodical aid distribution process and assisting in overseas coordination through both communication and field visits.
- (2015) Participated in the volunteering sessions at the **Horton Community Farm – Bradford**.
- (2005/2006) **Social Sciences Student Association**. Assisting in coordinating and organizing events.

Relevant Workshops and Conferences:

- (2015) Participant at the **Global Governance and the Politics of Aid** Symposium organized by the Faculty of Social Sciences at the University of Bradford.
- (2010) Passed a workshop on “**The International Mechanism of the Protection of**

Human Rights” organized by the Kuwaiti Association for the basic Evaluators of Human Rights. -

- (2009) Attended a series of workshops organized by **Geneva Institute for Human rights**.
- (2009) Passed an introductory program to the **ISO 9001**, organized by Ambition Training & Consulting Center.
- (2008) Speaker at a Conference of the **Euro-Gulf Studies Unit** of Kuwait University on Education.
- (2008) Passed the **Leadership Training Programme** organized by *Jusoor Arabiya* which is managed by Professor Shafeeq Al-Ghabra.
- (2007) Invited to the 4th **Annual Youth Assembly at the UN**.