

ABDULMOHSEN A. AL KAHTANI

Director of Public Affairs, Government Relations & Protocol

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Director-level leader in Public Affairs, Government Relations, and Protocol with 19+ years of experience in Saudi Arabia. Specialized in government engagement, regulatory affairs, executive and ministerial protocol, institutional governance, and corporate communications. Trusted advisor to senior leadership, proficient in managing high-level government stakeholders, overseeing executive protocol, and aligning strategies with Saudi Vision 2030 in sectors like logistics, energy, defense, and infrastructure.

EDUCATION

Bachelor of Business Administration (BBA)

- King Faisal University, Saudi Arabia
- Currently Enrolled

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Public Affairs & Protocol Manager

Bahri (The National Shipping Company of Saudi Arabia) – Riyadh

March 2023 – Present

Primary liaison between executive leadership and government entities, ministries, authorities, and regulators.

- Lead executive, ministerial, and VIP protocol for official engagements and events, ensuring compliance with national and institutional standards.
- Advise senior leadership on public affairs strategy, regulatory positioning, and protocol matters.
- Develop and implement public affairs, protocol, and governance policies, frameworks, and SOPs.
- Oversee strategic and corporate communications related to government engagement, executive messaging, and official correspondence.
- Lead initiatives for digital archiving, process automation, and efficiency enhancements.
- Support executive-level strategic initiatives aligned with Saudi Vision 2030.

Public Relations & Government Affairs Manager

Leonardo Saudi Arabia – Riyadh

2018 – 2023

- Managed government relations and regulatory engagement with national authorities and defense regulators.
- Ensured compliance with Saudi regulations, policies, and governmental frameworks.
- Coordinated executive communications, protocol, and institutional positioning within the Saudi defense and industrial ecosystem.

Public Relations & Communication Manager

Shams Al-Mamlakah Group – Riyadh

2012 – 2017

- Led corporate communications, public relations, media engagement, and executive communications activities.
- Developed executive statements, corporate reports, press releases, and official communication materials.
- Aligned communication strategies with organizational goals and business growth.

Earlier Career Experience

Riyada for Operation & Marketing Services | Deloitte | American Express Saudi Arabia

2006 – 2011

- Gained experience in public relations, marketing, communications, stakeholder coordination, client engagement, and institutional support within leading local and international organizations.

CORE COMPETENCIES

- Public Affairs
- Government Relations
- Stakeholder Engagement
- Executive & Ministerial Protocol
- Strategic & Corporate Communications
- Public Relations
- Institutional Governance
- Regulatory Compliance
- Policy Development
- Reputation Management
- Corporate Communications
- Digital Archiving
- Process Automation
- Crisis & Issues Management
- Vision 2030 Alignment

ADDITIONAL SKILLS

- Executive Presence & Leadership Advisory
- Executive Messaging & High-Level Communications
- Strategic Decision-Making
- Negotiation & Conflict Resolution
- Crisis Management
- Cross-Functional Leadership
- Organizational Agility
- Confidentiality & Institutional Integrity

TRAINING & CERTIFICATIONS

- Certified Public Relations Professional (CPRP)
- Certified International Protocol and Diplomatic Etiquette Program
- Public Leadership Program – Dubai
- PMI-Based Project Management Training (35 Contact Hours)
- Stakeholder Engagement and Strategic Communication Programs
- Intensive English Language Diploma – United Kingdom

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- **Language:** Arabic , English