

## Ahmed Said AbuShaban

### *Qualifications:*

1982            **BSc in Agricultural Science**, Tripoli University, Libya  
Specializing in animal husbandry (reproduction)

### *Work experience:*

2009-present **Relocated to Amman** as my wife was reassigned to the UN in Iraq.  
An active member of the board at the British Club in Amman, whilst also voluntary work in the local community,

2007-2009    **Relocated to Jerusalem** to join my wife serving with the UN and was active in the UN spouse committee. Gave voluntary Arabic language and culture classes to the international community.

2002-2007    **UK, Surestart Board of Directors**, Brighton (family welfare government project)  
Represented parents on the Surestart Board and the Committee for Surestart recruitment. Member of the Board of the ‘Right Start’ for fundraising.

1999-2001    **Commercial activities**, import/export, and Director of Exchange shop, Gaza

1996-1999    **National Professional Officer/Project Manager, ILO**

Project “Training of Small Contractors” in the Palestinian Territories

As Project Manager coordinated the programme with the Palestinian Contractors Union (PCU) and the ILO HQ in Geneva. Managed the budget, located and set up offices, recruited national staff, administered the programme for the first phase of the project in the Gaza Strip. The second phase of the project for the West Bank was never funded due to the deterioration in the security situation, curtail of freedom of movement and the second intifada.

1994-1996    **Ministry of Planning & International Cooperation (MoPIC)**, Gaza

Private Sector Assistance administration – dealt with and followed-up on all investment/commerce requests on the counter desks; met with foreigners and ex-pats interested in investing in the Palestinian Territory; identified investment and sector needs and reviewed market research studies of both the client and the department and provided advice and guidance.

Supervisor: Ambassador Majdi Khaldi, Palestinian Authority

1994-1996    Volunteer in **Palestinian Broadcasting Television** as a producer for

news bulletins in Arabic and English, Gaza.  
Supervisor: Hesham Mekky (deceased)

1983-1994 **Import/Export company** based in Bergamo, Italy  
Exporting to Near and Far East – marble, granite, Italian furnishings

*Training / Development:*

1995 Diploma in Information & Management of Small Enterprises, TEAM Gaza  
1995 Diploma in Planning Experience–implementation / follow-up, TEAM Gaza  
1996 Diploma in Quality Control & Specifications, TEAM Gaza  
1996 ILO Turin training centre  
1998 Study Tour to South Africa – Johannesburg/Pretoria/Durban  
Exchange experiences in running the same ILO project  
2005 First Aid Course / Course on Homeopathic remedies for children  
2006 Basic Counseling course  
2006 Diploma on how to counsel/facilitate incoming refugees to the UK  
2007 How to raise children and be a child carer

*Personal:*

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