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Speciality: natural resources management and environmental.

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CAREER SUMMARY

I am primarily a practitioner, researcher and consultant in the field of natural resources management. I received my BSc degree in forestry and ecology from Aleppo University, Syria in 2001. Since then I have occupied leading technical positions in various projects in the areas of infrastructure development.

I also have an extensive experience in the private sector development. This experience allows me to understand the interests of planners and developers in contributing to economic growth while considering sustainability aspects.

I have managed to build a strong network and good relations with a wide range of actors in the field of natural resources management in the West Bank, during conducting food security, IPM, organic farming, and biodiversity conservation programs.

I am olive expert in Palestine, I worked in various projects in olive sector development in west bank and Gaza Strip since 18 years.

KEY SKILLS

- Detail oriented
- Punctual and reliable
- Ability to work under pressure
- Ability to work without supervision
- Good communication skills
- Ability to work as part of a team

EDUCATION:

M.Sc. Agriculture Engineering, 2001. Department of Forestry and Ecology,
University of Aleppo, Aleppo, Syria.

EMPLOYMENT

Project Manager
Oxfam **2016 -**
Present

Olive Oil Value Chain Development

The Project: Improved access to markets for female and male FFV small scale producers in the West Bank.

Project Coordinator

2007-2016

Economic and Social Development Center of Palestine (ESDC)

- Food security program coordinator in ESDC
- Olive oil specialist
- Olive Oil Value Chain Development Coordinator (Oxfam GB)
- Focused my job on the harvesting methods, post-harvest transactions, and requirements for quality and safety, manufacturing, and marketing oils and add value-chain for oils.
- Olive oil Project coordinator (Oxfam GB) (From grove to market Project) Funded by the European Union and SDC.
- Coordinating project activities and results
- Training
- Extension services
- Reporting

2005-2007

General Project Coordinator

Agriculture Cooperative Union

- Coordinator of Integrated Pest Management (IPM) Project in West Bank and Gaza.
- Coordinator of Olive Oil Improvement Project in West Bank, funded by (Swedish cooperative center)
- Participation in lectures, symposia and training courses on olive oil production.

Consultant

2004-2005

International Center for Agriculture Research in the Dry Areas (ICARDA)

- Consulted for Natural Resource Management Program
- Olive Tree's Development in drought area

Field Coordinator

2002-2004

Biodiversity and Environment Research Center (BERC)

- Supervision of the activities of the Center
- Supervision engineer on Till Botanical Garden, Nablus
- Participation in lectures, symposia and training courses
- Supervisor greenhouse
- A plan of action the first seeds of a community bank in the (BERC)
- Field researcher in (BERC)

PROFESSIONAL TRAINING QUALIFICATIONS and EXPERIENCE

- Organized farmer field days and demonstration visits.
- Cooperated with farmers in the framework of Olive Oil Improvement Project.
- Best practices of extra virgin olive oil extraction
- Held extension seminars.
- Worked as a project coordinator in the Integrated Pest Management Project.

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- Several lectures and courses for farmers on the topic of olive
- Trained Courses about manufacturing Compost, in the agricultural regions with the institution CARE.
- Trained Courses about olive oil, olive tree and service of the olive tree and other agricultural information with NICCOD organization. Coordinator of food security increase project in Jordan valley (in the Economic & Social Development Center –Palestine).
- Project Coordinator of olive oil development marketing it local and international.
- Coordinator of food security increase project in Tubas, Tyasser and AlMalah (in the Economic & Social Development Center –Palestine with Oxfam GB).
- Capacity building of agricultural cooperatives.
- Training a group of beneficiaries with CHF within an organization funded by the World Food Program in some themes Agricultural such as:
 - The Economic feasibility of agricultural projects
 - The crops of household economic
 - Pruning and Punning
 - Local seeds
 - Optimal use of pesticides and the application of integrated pest management.
 - Preparation of the green houses and Irrigation in the green houses.
 - Project Coordinator (from grove to market) partner with Oxfam GB

References and Certificates Available Upon Request Annex

MEMBERSHIPS

- The Biodiversity and Environment Research Center BERC Palestine.
- Member of the National Committee of the Palestinian olive oil tasting
- Member of the Syndicate agricultural engineering

WORKSHOPS & CONFERENCES

- Integrated pest management (IPM): held in the period 15-18 May, 2005, in the Agricultural Training Center, Ministry of Agriculture, Palestine, funded by FAO.
- Extra virgin olive oil production, marketing and testing: held at Palestine Standards Institution, 16-17/4/2004.
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- Irrigation water management: held in the Water Studies Institute at Birzeit University, 12-26 /12/, 2005.
- Participate in a training course about evaluation of the National Committee to taste olive oil in Italy.
- Training course about olives trees and olive groves Management and development the quality and quantity of olive oil.
- Technical management of agricultural greenhouses.
- Attended an official 7 days (42hr's) evaluation and training session about olive oil sensory analyses during (7-14/4/2013) at PSI Lab.

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- Training on agricultural project management in Egypt (12- 22\6\2013).
Training focuses on the following points.
 - inception period, Feasibility project, Action plan, risk management plan, implementation plan, project implementation, M & E.
- Workshop on “ Marketing work for the Poor” by the Coady Institute , 25-29\8\2013
- International olive conference “OLIVEBIOTEQ 2014” Which was held during 3-6 November , 2014 in Amman – Jordan.
- Several Training with “ MERIMIS” Middle East Regional Irrigation Management Information System.
 - Training Course on: Olive Irrigation , Fertilization & and oil Quality – 7-10 Oct. 2013
 - Completed Technical Training Course on: Irrigation & Cultivation of vegetable crops in green – and net – houses – 30Nov.-4Dec. 2014.
 - Training Seminar on water & Irrigation Efficiency & Technology – 29Apr.- 1May \ 2014.
- Training on “Olive Value Chain” June 2014
- Training on “ Organoleptic Assessment of virgin olive oil” Mar. 2014

Scientific visits & Exhibitions

- **Visit to Tunisia**
In 2-7\3\2015 To know Olive Council, the most important services provided to farmers.
- Participation to a lot of local and international olive oil exhibitions

SKILLS

Languages

- Arabic- Mother Language
- Fair English language

Computer

- Skilled in regular computer programs: Microsoft Word, Microsoft Power Point, Excel

* **References:** *can be provided upon request*