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Career Accomplishments

- Experienced Head of Unit specialized in Credit and Trade Finance Audit, holding a Certified Internal Auditor (CIA) certificate and having strong leadership and analytical skills, wide knowledge of banking operations and extensive exposure in Lebanon and abroad
- Contributed to the build-up and success of the Internal Audit Department at Banque Bemo Saudi Fransi

Professional Experience

Sep 12 – Present	BANK AUDI SAL Head of Unit (Beirut – Lebanon) <ul style="list-style-type: none">Head of audit missions covering Credit Lending Divisions (Corporate and Commercial Banking), Trade Finance Operations/Services and Credit Risk Management Activities (including Basel requirements)Exposure in Bank Audi (Lebanon, France, Egypt and Jordan) and Odea Bank (Turkey)Participate in the preparation of annual audit plan for the Credit & Trade Finance Audit UnitElaborate full audit reports and submit them to the Audit ManagerMake effective audit planning; allocate and supervise the work of the assigned auditors and evaluate their performanceDeliver credit audit presentations to newly recruited credit officersConduct investigation missions as directed by the Audit ManagerFollow up on audit recommendations (including quarterly follow-ups requested by Audit Committee) through ongoing meetings with heads of audited departments/divisions
Dec 09 – Jul 12	BANQUE BEMO SAUDI FRANSI Team Leader – Internal Audit Department (Damascus – Syria) <ul style="list-style-type: none">Head of audit missions on Branches and Centralized Activities (Treasury, Credit Risk and Control Environment, Credit Performing & Non Performing Loans, Financial Institution affiliated to the Bank)Prepare/update audit programs and participate in the preparation of annual audit planParticipate in the update of Internal Audit manuals and charterElaborate full audit reports and finalize them with the Head of Internal AuditMake effective audit planning; allocate and supervise the work of the assigned auditorsConduct investigation missions as directed by the Head of Internal AuditFollow up on audit recommendations including ongoing meetings with heads of audited departments/divisions
Jan 06 – Nov 09	BANQUE LIBANO-FRANÇAISE S.A.L. Senior Internal Auditor (Beirut – Lebanon) <ul style="list-style-type: none">Conduct audit missions on Branches and mainly Centralized Activities (Treasury, Human Resources, Finance Department, Back Office Activities, Trade Finance, Credit Cards Department & Cards' Issuer, Financial Institution affiliated to the Bank)Prepare and update audit programsDraft/prepare audit reports and finalize them with the Head of Operations AuditFollow up on audit recommendations including meetings with heads of audited departments/divisions
Sep 03 – Dec 05	SEMAAN, GHOLAM & CO. External Auditor (Beirut – Lebanon) <ul style="list-style-type: none">Perform financial statement audits for banks and companiesPrepare/assist in preparation of audit reports and financial statements for audit clientsExposure in banks, financial institutions, non-profit organizations, retail companies, hotels and offshore companies

Internship

Aug 01 – Sep 01	BANQUE LIBANO-FRANÇAISE S.A.L. (Beirut – Lebanon) <ul style="list-style-type: none">Internship in Main Branch (Hamra) – Teller and Customer Service Operations
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Professional Certifications

Nov 2018	Banking Ethics Required by "Banque du Liban" (BDL)
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May 2013	Lebanese Financial Regulations Passed with Merit – Required by “Banque du Liban” (BDL)
Apr 2009	ACI Diploma (The Financial Markets Association) Advanced Diploma in Financial Markets and Instruments: Foreign Exchange & Money Markets, Derivatives, Fixed Income Products
Nov 2007	Certified Internal Auditor – CIA
Aug 2007	ACI Dealing Certificate (The Financial Markets Association)

Education

2002 – 2003	Maîtrise in Business and Management (Emphasis: Audit) Saint Joseph University (USJ)
1999 – 2002	Bachelor in Business and Management Saint Joseph University (USJ)
1999	Lebanese Baccalaureate (Major: Experimental Sciences) Al-Ahliyah School

Membership

Apr 13 – Present	Member in the Institute of Internal Auditors in Lebanon (IIA)
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External Seminars and Trainings

May 2018	IFRS 9 Financial Instruments Workshop (Organized by IIA Lebanon)
Jan 2018	The Role of Internal Audit in the Implementation of IFRS9 (Organized by Banking and Financial Institute)
Apr 2017	Compliance & Legal Additions to the General Contract for a Fully Secured Trade Finance Transaction (Organized by Banking and Financial Institute)
Mar 2017	Internal Audit & Audit Committee: Agents for a Sustainable Performance (Organized by IIA Lebanon)
Mar 2017	Credit Risk: Latest on Measurement and Mitigation Techniques (Organized by Finance and Risk Institute)
Jun 2016	ICAAP for Audit (Organized by Banking and Financial Institute)
Dec 2015	Auditing the Corporate Lending Cycle (Organized by Banking and Financial Institute)
Sep 2015	Trade Finance Hot Spots and Updates (Organized by Banking and Financial Institute)
Oct 2014	Loan Administration & Review (Organized by ABL)
Oct 2014	Risk-Weighted Assets for Capital Adequacy Ratio (Organized by Finance and Risk Institute)
Mar 2014	Auditing Risk Management (Organized by PWC and IIA Lebanon)
Oct 2013	Major Changes in Lebanese Banking Regulations (Organized by Finance and Risk Institute)
Jun 2013	Fundamentals of Risk Management under Basel in line with Lebanese Regulations (Organized by Banking and Financial Institute)
Jun 2013	Credit Risk Models Validation (Organized by Aptivaa)
Nov 2012	Conflict Management (Organized by Lebanon Conflict Resolution Network–LCRN)
Oct 2011	Audit Manager Tools & Techniques (Organized by IIA Lebanon)
Jan 2011	Effective Management of Fraud Prevention and Deterrence (Organized by Fleming Gulf Trainings – held in Dubai)
Jul 2009	Stress Testing Techniques (Organized by the Union of Arab Banks and BCC Lebanon)
Jul 2009	Risk Management: Fundamentals & Practices (Organized by ABL)
Apr 2008	Financial Statement Analysis (Organized by Leading Minds)
Aug 2006	General Principles of the Banker’s Responsibilities (Organized by ABL)

Internal Seminars and Trainings

Oct 2016	IFRS9 (Bank Audi SAL)
Sep 2016	Liquidity Coverage Ratio of Basel III (Bank Audi SAL)
Feb 2014	Financial Covenants (Bank Audi SAL)
May 2013	Analyzing Corporate Credit Risk (Bank Audi SAL)
Mar 2013	Presentation on FATCA – Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act (Bank Audi SAL)
Sep – Oct 2012	On-the-job Training in Credit and Trade Finance Departments (Bank Audi SAL)
Jun 2007	Presentation on Documentary Credits (Banque Libano-Française SAL)

Competencies and Skills

- **Languages:** Fluent in English, French and Arabic; Basic in Turkish
- **Software:** TeamMate, Microsoft Applications (Excel, Word and PowerPoint)
- **Personal Qualifications:** Strong communication skills, excellent reporting skills, results/quality oriented performer, teamwork player

Hobbies

Football, Movies, Music, Traveling, Reading

References

Available upon request