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### **Curriculum Vitae**

# **OBJECTIVE**

Integrate a challenging institution where I can find opportunities to achieve high performance in my professional and specialized development and make significant contributions through the involvement in high-level assignments.

## **EDUCATION**

**Fall 2019:** Morgan International – Beirut

• Preparation for the CIA – Certified Internal Audit Exam

Part I - Essentials of Internal Auditing Part II - Practice of Internal Auditing

Part III – Business Knowledge for Internal auditing

Feb 2017 - June 2018: Modern University for Business & Science (MUBS – Spears Campus)

• Business Administration (GPA 3.68)

March 2015: Lebanese American University (LAU – Beirut Campus)

Project Management Professional - PMP

May 2014: Lebanese American University (LAU – Beirut Campus)

Capacity Building for NGOs Diploma

Sept 1992 – June 1994: Sagesse Technical School –Ain El Remmaneh

• Informatique de Gestion (TS)

Sept 1988 – June 1990: Collège Des Peres Antonins - Baabda

• Lebanese Baccalaureate (Experimental Sciences)

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

#### A) UNICEF

### A.1 - September 15, 2021 – July 7, 2024: Quality Assurance Officer

- > Promptly review Audit and Verification mission requirements
  - 1. Reviewing Audit or EU Verification exercise requirement
  - 2. Creating/Updating database for data collection
  - 3. Follow up with concerned sections to provide supporting data/documentation/explanations
- > Contribute to organizational structure by maintaining LCO Risk Register, avoiding SOD violations, and supporting update of statutory committees
  - 1. Checking SOD Violations
  - 2. Performing the Annual risk assessment eGRC input
  - 3. Maintaining the Table of Authority
  - 4. Updating Statutory Committees composition and TORs
  - 5. Contributing to the Annual Management Plan
- > Provide support and actively contribute to HACT activities by regularly ensuring resources are available and tracking progress in line with HACT SOP
  - 1. Secure funding from OPS and raise PRs for all Financial Assurance Activities in VISION (ERP system) based on available regional LTAs
  - 2. Review all Spot Check and Audit draft reports and provide comments prior to issuance of final

- report
- 3. Timely circulation of Spot Check, Audit, and micro assessment reports upon receipt from audit firms to relevant sections
- 4. Timely assignment of Follow up actions resulting from HACT Assurance activities in e-Tools
- 5. Follow up on the timely completion of High observations from Spot Checks and Audits and provide guidance to programme colleagues for closing follow up Actions
- 6. Contribute to design and implementation of capacity development training related to financial HACT to both partners and staff
- 7. Coordinate and facilitate HACT orientation sessions for LCO UNICEF partners and/or staff.

# Support the Anti-Fraud Task Force as its Secretariat in terms of Meeting arrangements and implementation of its annual workplan

- 1. Preparing Agenda for the taskforce meeting
- 2. Writing/filing Minutes
- 3. Follow up on Action points
- 4. Contribute to the Taskforce AWP and its implementation

#### A.2 - April 7, 2016 – September 14, 2021: Operations Associate

# > Provide operational support in planning, implementing, monitoring and reporting of the Operations cross sectorial and institutional budgets:

- 1. Assist the Deputy Representative-Operations by preparing detailed cost estimates and periodic monitoring reports.
- 2. Assess overall budget implementations and follow up with the respective Operations sections and Field Offices
- 3. Follow up on various instructions/recommendations on tasks as required and provide support needed.

## > Support and Effective Management of the Operation Section:

- 1. Organize internal operational management meeting takes minutes and distribute to meeting participants. And follow-up actions required from individuals until closure and within timeframe.
- 2. Prepares correspondence, reports, evaluations, and justifications, as required, on general and administrative issues within assigned area of responsibility.
- 3. Collects data and information and prepare operational management indicator reports for the CO.
- 4. Organize and priorities supervisor's appointments, and maintains calendar and work schedules, screen visitors and calls and respond to queries with discretion.
- 5. Maintains and update operational, policy, management confidential files and Collect data and information and prepare operational.
- 6. Support arrangement related to travel on timely manner.

#### > Provide Support on Quality Assurance and Risk Mitigation measures:

- 1. Provide assistance in Internal/External LCO Audits, EU verification missions, ECA cases.
- 2. Assisting in LCO Risk assessments and maintain of Risk Register and eGRC input
- 3. Assisting in BCP compilation and updates
- 4. Create Purchase Requisitions for Financial HACT Assurance Activities.
- 5. Providing and contributing to the Financial HACT trainings
- 6. Monitor Financial HACT Purchase orders.
- 7. Ensuring accuracy of invoices received and follow up for settlement.

# > Providing Support to Chair of OMT (Operations Management Team) – during 2019/2020

- 1. Organizing OMT meeting, preparing agenda, taking minutes, and distributing to meeting participants, in addition to following up on actions required from individuals until closure and within timeframe.
- 2. Collecting data and information related to OMT
- 3. Maintaining a database of OMT and BOS focal points and providing support where needed.

#### B) Adyan (Non-Profit Organisation)

#### **B.1 - December 1, 2012 – April 1, 2016:** Office Manager

- 1. Legal: relations with the Ministry of Interior, Trademark registrations, VHF licensing renewal...
- 2. Office Assets: maintenance, repairs, insurance where needed...
- 3. Premises: property deeds, rent contracts, utilities, maintenance, insurances, municipality dues...
- 4. Admin budget
- 5. General administration: project codes database, creating policies/ procedures/forms...
- 6. Information Technology: Backups, maintenance, repairs' follow up...

- 7. Mailing
- 8. Procurement: related to either:
  - a. Office in general: office equipment and furniture, fixtures, consumables, relations with service providers and suppliers...
  - b. Projects 'activities: hotel arrangements, airline bookings, correspondence with travelers...
- 9. Events' Implementation: arrangements for location/décor/AV equipment/logistics/translation needs...

### **B.2 - December 1, 2011 – November 30, 2012:** Project Coordinator

In charge of "One Community Project": all administrative, budget and implementation aspects. This project is comprised of 7 micro-projects, each joining two faith-based organizations to achieve a common goal by implementing a joint community project in their areas of domiciliation.

#### C) Henry Heald group of companies (Shipping Agents)

#### C.1 - March 1, 2006 – July 15, 2011: General Manager of Boxer Shipping s.a.l.

**September 1, 2006 – July 15, 2011:** Shipping Manager of Henry Heald & Co. SAL and Henry Heald Offshore sal

- 1. Responsible and supervisor for all activities of the shipping business.
- 2. Checking and supervising all shipping documents issued and received (bills of ladings, manifest, vessel stowage plans, cargo declarations...etc.)
- 3. Informing vessels' charterers/owners/operators of all aspects related to their vessels' calls to the port of Beirut.
- 4. Answering Principals' inquiries.
- 5. Arranging and monitoring feedering of cargo.
- 6. Representing the company towards Port Authorities (Customs, Immigration, Harbour Master...)
- 7. Attending the meetings of the Lebanese Shipping Agents Syndicate-LSAS.
- 8. Representing the company abroad (agency meetings, courtesy visits, trainings...etc.)
- 9. Supervising cargo logistics' reporting.
- 10. Checking and dispatching vessel' disbursement accounts.
- 11. Seeking and securing new businesses (Principals)

#### C.2 - Mid 2002 - August 31, 2006: Deputy Shipping Manager of Henry Heald & Co. SAL

- 1. Making sure of delivery of cargo against proper documentation, by adhering to Principals' rules and guidelines.
- 2. Making sure documentation issued is in line with Port authorities' requirements.
- 3. Liaising with the Marketing Department to apply terms of agreements filed with customers.
- 4. Maintaining close contacts with vessels and their operators.
- 5. Supervising cargo operations in a way to serve Principals' interests by ensuring fast turnaround and cost saving elements are followed.
- 6. Checking invoices of Port authorities
- 7. Supervising the activities of Henry Heald Syria (Port agents for Henry Heald Offshore s.a.l. in the Syrian territories, mainly communications with vessels, Principals, and disbursement accounts' preparations and settlements).
- 8. Attending the cruise vessels calling the Syrian ports of Lattakia and Tartous.
- 9. Sending Pre-arrival information messages to vessels.
- 10. Calculating landing and loading charges of cargo as per applicable tariffs.
- 11. Implementing of ISO 9001:2000 in the company

## C.3 - June 2001 – July 15, 2011: Member of the ISO steering committee

- 1. Implementing of ISO 9001:2000 in the company
- 2. Writing ISO manuals and procedures.
- 3. Carrying out internal ISO audits
- 4. Monitoring the smooth functioning of the system
- 5. Reporting the effectiveness of the system and areas of improvement
- 6. Upgrading to ISO 9001:2008

#### **C.4 - July 1995 – July 15, 2011:** IT Manager

1. Collaborating with our IT service providers for the installation of the Lotus Notes system, both

- mail and Internal Correspondence applications.
- 2. Backing up company data periodically. Arranging for updates of software and hardware (PCs, laptops, scanners, Operating systems, applications ...)
- 3. Maintaining company's website.

# C.5 - July 1995 - Mid 2002: Cashier/Assistant Accountant of Al Markab sal

- 1. Handling and registration of collections and payments
- 2. Preparing and registering paid and collected cheques on a daily basis.
- 3. Passing payment and collections entries.
- 4. Following up with Principals for disbursement account finalization and settlements.
- 5. Checking all disbursements related to the Joint Venture and passing relevant accounting entries.
- 6. Printing and safeguarding legal journals

# PROFESSIONAL AND COMPUTER SKILLS

• Languages: English, well written and spoken

French, well written and fairly spoken

Arabic, well written and spoken (native)

- Office applications: WORD, Excel, PowerPoint, Outlook
- Remote working / collaboration tools: Zoom, Microsoft Teams, SharePoint, Skype for Business
- Familiar with SAP (VISION)

## PROFESSIONAL TRAININGS /SEMINARS

**April 2016 – July 2024:** a series of online courses on AGORA portal focusing on UN and UNICEF **July 1995- July 15, 2011:** Various Shipping Principals

- Online training course for the VEST system (Hyundai-Glovis Limited, August 2010)
- Online training course for the SAGA system (Wallenius Wilhelmsen Logistics, August 2009)
- BIMCO Masterclass Workshop AGENCY (Dubai, 2-4 February 2009, passed with Distinction)
- Various training courses for the NICE system (NYK Line offices in London, last one in 2008)
- East Port and Virgil systems (Sea Consortium offices in Dubai July 2007)
- VAT seminar (Holiday Inn Martinez in Beirut September 2001)

November 15, 1997 – August 8, 1998: Mira Training Center – Achrafieh

General Accountant certification

#### REFERENCES

Available upon request