

Curriculum Vitae (C.V.)

Summary

Dr. Yusuf Taha Gumaa Al Amin is a professor of Economics. He is a former associate professor and head of Agri. economics department; and director of the university development projects, and Deputy Dean, faculty of economics, University of Gazira (Sudan); and associate professor of economics, University of United Arab Emirates (UAE); and professor of economics at the agriculture research centre UAE. Adjunct professor of economics at the Arab Open University in collaboration with the British Open University.

Yusuf's Competence and expertise in Economics have been highly acknowledged.

He had started his career at the University of Gazira. He is a Ph.D. holder in economics, school of management, university of Lancaster (UK); M.Sc. Food Marketing, university of Newcastle-Upon-Tyne (UK); and B.Sc. Hon. University of Khartoum (Sudan) with the University Award for the Best Graduate in agricultural economics in 1973.

He has more than 30 years of hands-on teaching and administrative experiences at university of Gazira; university of UAE – Dubai, and Arab Open University (Kuwait) in partnership with the UK Open University - UK (OU-UK). He had visited numerous international universities and higher institutes, including the University of Oxford (as a research fellow); universities of London and Sussex (Institute of Development) – as a visiting professor; University of Bremen; Institute of Primary Commodities (Hamburg) and the Technical University of Berlin (Germany) – as a visiting professor

He has more than 8 years of work experience as a Senior Economic Adviser, with the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP); Washington, DC-based the National Democratic Institute for International Affairs (NDI); and Boston-based, Conflict Dynamics International (CDI).

During his work with the NDI and CDI, he had actively maintained links with the academia as an adjunct professor at the University of Gazira, co-supervising M.Sc. and PhD students; and contributing in various academic and economic conferences at the Faculty of Economics and Social Studies of the University of Khartoum.

In general, his experience with the League of Arab States, UNDP, NDI and CDI have enriched his understanding of economics, governance, politics and the international relations.

He is an author/ co-author of the following books/booklets.

- Manual of Project Appraisal using the United Nations Industrial Organization (UNIDO) Method; Khartoum University Press.
- Development of Sudan Exports (Research series, Faisal Islamic Bank's publications).
- Small Scale Manufacturing Industries in the Sudan; (Research Series, Faisal Islamic Bank's Publications).

- Chances and Opportunities of Investment Projects in the Sudan (editor and Contributor) – Publications of Gezira University (Sudan).

Professional accomplishments in leadership and administration include:

1. Deputy Dean, Faculty of Economics, and head of agricultural economics Dept., University of Gezira, Sudan, 1988- 1992.
2. Initiated, designed and implemented the University of Gezira strategy for resource development, involving cost-effectiveness methods and commercial investment projects, 1988/1989.
3. Established and chaired univ. of Gezira resource development and commercial investment projects administration, 1988-1992. Currently the strategy is in operation by the Gezira university; managed by the said administration, and the concept has been in adoption by a number of public Sudan Universities.
4. Initiated, conceptualized and issued, as a managing editor, a refereed annual research journal (Emirates Journal of Agricultural Research) published by the UAE ministry of Agric. And Fisheries, starting 1999.
5. Developed a manual for project appraisal for the agricultural finance portfolio (US\$ 500m) managed by the Industrial Bank of Kuwait; starting 2001. **The portfolio management has been dealing mainly with microfinance in agriculture, livestock and fisheries.**
6. **Established an Economic Unit at the UNDP Somalia Office, starting 2006; dealing mainly with economic growth, fiscal, and monetary policies and microfinance for poverty reduction. And, had been in direct contact with the minister of finance and planning and the governor of Somalia central bank**
7. Established an Evaluation and Follow-up Dept.; for implementation of the strategy for sustainable Arab Agricultural Development (2005-2025) by the Arab Organization for Agric. Development (AOAD), the League of Arab States, starting 2009.

Professional accomplishments in academia include: More than 30 published refereed research papers and more than 30 other contributions to his credit. He has guided/co-guided 5 Ph.D. research scholars and 9 M.Sc. scholars working on various subjects of economics. He has written several briefing notes on economics, governance and politics in Sudan; and has delivered numerous keynote addresses at international conferences, symposia and meetings; and serves on several advisory boards of respected institutions and on editorial and review boards of sound publications. Details are below.

1. Personal Details:-

Name : Yusuf Taha Gumaa al-Amin (PhD)
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2. Qualifications

2.1 B.Sc Hon. (Agric. Econ.), University of Khartoum, Faculty of Agric., Sudan, 1st April, 1973.

2.2 M.Sc. (Agricultural and Food Marketing), University of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, U.K. 14th Dec. 1977.

2.3 PhD (main Stream Economics), University of Lancaster, Lancaster, U.K., 4th Dec. 1984,

2.4 Other Advanced Training

- i. Institute for World Economics and International Management, University of Bremen, Germany, (Advanced Training in Project Management, Small-scale Industries and primary Commodities, May – August, 1989)
- ii. Food Studies Group, International Development Centre, Queen Elizabeth House, University of Oxford, (Advanced Training in Food and Agricultural Policy, June – September, 1991.
- iii. University of Oxford, Magdalen College, (advanced Training in Human Development and capability. From Theory to practice, 11-22 September 2006

3. Key Experience and Skills

- i. Dr. Yusuf Taha Gumaa is an Economist who has gained broad experience in economics. More than thirty years of experience in teaching, research, Curricula development and consultancy.
- ii. Comprehensive understanding of Human Development, as an academician and at the level of a practitioner. Contributed to the production and launching of Arab Regional Human Development Reports in 2005 and 2006 and to Somalia Human Development Report and Millennium Development Goals Report in 2006.
- iv. Proven publications record in economics. More than thirty published refereed research papers; and more than thirty-five working papers and other contributions

to his credit. He has guided/co-guided 3 PhD research scholars and 9 M.Sc. scholars working on various subjects of economics. He has delivered numerous keynote addresses at international conferences, symposia and meetings. He has written several briefing notes and discussion papers on economics and governance in Sudan

- v. Participated in and contributed several economic papers at conferences, seminars and workshops both as an academician and practitioner.
- vi. Collaborative University Professor with proven communications and interpersonal skills to initiate and sustain strong relationships with students, colleagues and administrators within university community; with great passions to the academic
- vii. Proven ability to maintain a well- disciplined and highly motivated students at the university lecture-room level.
- viii. Highly trained in a wide array of human resource management with capacity to effectively analyze a situation and think critically.

ix. Very good leadership qualities, fair and modest but firm and decisive.

4. Fellowships, Awards/Scholarship and Recognitions

- i. The Sudan Agricultural Bank Prize for the best final year student in agric. Economics, 1973.
- ii. The German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) fellowship to the University of Bremen, Germany, as a Visiting Professor, 1988/89.
- iii. The Ford Foundation fellowship to the University of Oxford as a Visiting Research Fellow 1990/1991.
- iv.
- v. Included in the 15th edition of **Who's in the World** for the reference value of **outstanding achievements**, Marquis Who's Who, New Jersey, USA, 1998' p 536.
- vi. Cash award of US \$ 250 for Outstanding occasional paper: (Kenana: A large – scale sugar project in the Sudan. An economic evaluation) Occasional paper No. 3, 1993, Organization for Social Science Research in eastern African, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, 32 pp.
- vii. Certificate of Recognition Award for significant contribution in environmental affairs, awarded by the General secretariat of UAE Municipalities, June 1999.
- viii. Cash Awards of US \$ 660, US \$ 750, and US \$ 750 for Outstanding Performance for the years 2004, 2005 and 2006 respectively on Annual Assessment of employees

competence and Performance, Public Authority of Agricultural Affairs and Fish Resources, Kuwait, May 2004, 2005 and 2006.