



Abdullah Al-Rashdi

Abdullah Al-Rashdi joined Petroleum Development Oman in 1994 after completing his Bachelor Degree in Telecommunication from Sultan Qaboos University. He pursued his further studies and completed his Master of Science degree on High Frequency Engineering in 1995 from University of Leeds in UK. He started his career from 1995 as a Telecom Supervisor in one of the operating units (Nimr Field – one of the Oil fields in southern parts of Oman). He moved in 1997 to take the role of Network Operation Engineer in the head quarter in Muscat (capital city of Oman). In 1999, he took the role of IT Project Engineer for Infrastructure Projects. In 2004, he took over the role of Project Manager, then Senior Project Manager in 2007. In 2010, he completed his Master in Business degree from Sultan Qaboos University through part time. Following his MBA, Abdullah moved to strategy and planning to take the Enterprise Architecture role in 2011. He then became the Information Technology Chief Architect responsible for overseeing the technology roadmap of PDO and ensure the introduction of new technologies. In 2018, the IT organisation was upgraded in terms of its mandate to take care of digitalization and as a result Abdullah role was updated to be the Digitalisation Chief Architect. In 2021 Abdullah took the role of Head of Digital Strategy & Integration where he plays a vital role in PDO Digitalisation Journey and the Fourth Industrial Revolution adoption.

Abdullah has more than 25 years of experience in Information Technology with a demonstrated history of working in the oil & Gas industry. Skilled in IT & Digital Strategy Development, Digital Technologies, Strategic Road-mapping, Coaching, Communication, IT Service Management, Data Center, and Project & Portfolio Management. Strong professional with 2 Master degrees and various certifications from international bodies such as PMI, Toastmaster, Open Group and leading business schools such as London Business School and Darden Business School. Passionate about Technology in general and the Fourth Industrial Revolution.

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