

## **Yousuf Abdullah Al Bulushi, PhD**

### **Chief Innovation Advisor, GUtech**

Former senior diplomat, innovator in a wide range of global high-tech business environments. Highly adaptive, using extensive experience to solve academic, business and government challenges in domestic and international markets, particularly in frontier technologies. Yousuf brings forward more than 20 years of work experience in the combined fields of science diplomacy, research, innovation, entrepreneurship, science and technology development and education. Experienced in both start-up and scaled business growth stages in industry, academic innovation consulting, research and development, and Higher Education settings. Unique combination of triple-helix expertise across academia-government-business in strategic planning, developing policies initiatives to enhance performance, and building opportunities for sustainable growth. Proven track record in leading disruptive technology initiatives (Fourth Industrial Revolution, Science-Policy-Interface, future disruptive technology, Blockchain Oman), knowledge transfer, setting up technology transfer offices and technology commercialisation and a keen interest in building knowledge economies in developing and transitioning ecosystems. Professional experience gained within world-class multi-nationals, such as United Nation General Assembly (UNGA), United Nation Science, Technology & Innovation Forum (UN STI Forum), United Nation Commission on Science & Technology for Development (CSTD), Foreign Ministries Science & Technology Advisory Network (FMSTAN) University of Oxford, UNESCO, The World Academy of Science, The International Science Council, Fletcher School of Law & Diplomacy at the Tufts University, where he contributed significantly in a complex scientific and high-technology strategy development projects for the sustainable development. Experienced working with a diverse portfolio of clients across industries and sectors, including universities, governments and commercial organisations in various geographies including the UK, Europe, the Middle East and South East Asia. Yousuf has developed innovation strategies for several organisations and maintains a strong interest in developing and implementing open innovation frameworks building knowledge economies. He regularly delivers courses and presentations to conferences and Universities worldwide about science diplomacy, innovation management and technology transfer.

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