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Work Experience

Said Issa

- PhD in Economic Anthropology.
- Ex - Board member at **MEPI – LAA**.
- Member of the Governing Body of the Steering Committee for the Global Partnership for Social Accountability in the **World Bank**.
- Specialist in Sociology, Economic Anthropology and Urbanism.
- Certificate of International Trainer on Good Governance from Network of International Diplomacy of International Law and Human Rights (NDLH) – Norway.
- Acknowledgments from USAID - Lebanon to participate in a training workshop on institutionalizing monitoring and evaluation.
- Acknowledgments from USAID - Lebanon to participate in training on the M & E framework, standards formulation and benchmarking paper for performance indicators
- Social Accountability Expert.
- . Trainer Expert in Transparency and good Governance.
- Trainer Expert in the Access to Information and the principles of good governance and the promotion of transparency and anti- corruption , proposal writing, project management, human rights, campaign finance, Leadership, Capacity Building, Advocacy Campaign, Municipality Law, Strategic Plan, Participatory Budget, Read and Analyze Budget, Needs Assessment, Project Evaluation and Social Accountability in Lebanon, Turkey, Yemen, Jordan, Tunis, Egypt and Iraq to civil society organizations and anti-corruption bodies.

- Consultant and supervisor over Transparency project and Trainer, the launch of the Syrian Transparency network, and Transparency Conference in Syria, in collaboration with **CCSD** support by **Hivos (2015)**
- Public Relations and Grass Roots Manager in **Lebanese Transparency Association** (from 2013 till May 2015)
- Youth and Grass roots manager in **LTA** (from 2008 till 2013)
- Design projects and campaigns on Good Governance, Access to Information, Public Sector Reform, and Youth in Corruption, Electoral Reform and Transparency in Post-War Reconstruction.
- Supervise and conduct research on Transparency in the Budgetary Process and the National Integrity System Survey.
- Contributed to the drafting of the first annual Arab Anti-Corruption Report.
- Made comments to the Lebanese Ministry of Finance on its improving transparency initiatives in the framework of the partnership in transparency between the Ministry and LTA.
- Contributed to the work of **Transparency International (TI)** in the Arab Region.
- An expert in training to fight corruption and promote the principles of good governance and the promotion of transparency in the Arab region
- Supervise the implementation of the Youth Civil Society and Leadership program in partnership with IREX.
- Team Manager field monitors for monitoring project financing of election campaigns of candidates for the parliamentary elections in 2009 and campaigning for candidates for municipal councils in 2010
- Field director for a youth project municipality to develop local community partnership with Mercy Corps.
- Field director for the project youth participation in the development of the local community "Mocharaka" in partnership with **Mercy Corps (MEPI)**
- Field director for the project youth participation in the development of the local community "Mocharaka" (UNDEF)
- Responsible for follow-up with the Lebanese associations with the Civil Campaign for Electoral Reform
- Program Manager Project Lebanon tomorrow in partnership with the Friedrich Naumann Foundation
- Coordinate field work related to the Corporate Governance project.
- Coordinate field work related to Lebanese Advocacy and Legal Advice Center (LALAC).

Training and Research

April 1988-to date

- Completion of a study and report about the violation of Labor laws and National Social Security Fund by the Commercial Sector in the Greater Beirut area, in collaboration with **LOWER** and **Rosa-Luxembourg**. (January 2019)
- Enact a policy paper on transparency and good governance in the waste management sector in collaboration with **Nahnoo**. (November 2018)
- Advocacy campaign with members of Parliament to enact laws on transparency in the Oil and Gas sector in collaboration with **LTA**. (August 2018)
- Quantitative and qualitative study about Lebanese, Syrian, Palestinian and other workers, decent work standards, minimum standards of work in addition to formal and informal work in the services sector and the food and beverages sector commissioned by **ALERT international** and **Lebanese Labor Watch**. (February 2018)
- Qualitative study about street children in the greater Beirut area commissioned by **ASMAE** and **ALPHA association**. (August 2017)
- Facilitator in the foundation of the (**AIN**) network for integrity in the Arab world commissioned by **NED** and **LTA**. (July 2017)
- Quantitative and qualitative study about Syrian and Lebanese workers, decent work standards and minimum standards of work commissioned by **Oxfam** and **Lebanese Labor Watch**. (2017)
- Preparing a guide for employers in the Bekaa Governorate on the internal regulations of the labor institutions and the minimum standards for work and decent work commissioned by **Oxfam** (March 2017).
- Training municipalities to formulate strategic plans commissioned by **Oxfam**, a project funded by the **European Union** (January and February 2017).
- Implementing a field study on transparency in waste for the benefit of the **Lebanese Transparency Association** with the support of **NED** (February 2017)
- Completion of a study about the violation of Labor laws and National Social Security Fund by the private sector in collaboration with **LOWER** and **Diakonia - Sweden**. (March 2017)
- Preparing an educational guide for teachers and vocational, technical and university education on the Lebanese labor law and social security law for the benefit of **the Lebanese Observatory for the rights of workers and staff members in Lebanon** (December 2016).
- Prepare a guide on writing and project management of civil society organizations working on the accountability of the World Bank projects in the Middle East in favor of **the Bank Information Center in Washington** (December 2016).

Training expert within the project for the benefit of **Oxfam**, **DPNA**, **Arc En Ciel** supported and funded by **EU** (2016 -2017)

- Training Syrian activists on transparency, good governance and transitional justice in cooperation between **LTA (Lebanese Transparency Association)**, support by **FNF (Friedrich Nauman Foundation)**
- Researcher with **TI (Transparency International)** and **LTA**, Humanitarian Aid Integrity Program (**HAIP**), **Kenya**. (2016)
- Researcher in social accountability with **NGO Development Center** and **Care international**, **Egypt** (October 2015)
- Associate member of the Amman conference of social accountability, which was held at the invitation of **CARE Egypt** and the support of the **World Bank** (2015)
- Facilitator with **Kawakibi Democracy Transition Centre**, Tunisia for financial control of political life (2014)
- Facilitated and participated and trainer in designing the work-plan of the Civic Forum in South Lebanon.

- Associate member and service provider in the Istanbul conference of social accountability, which was held at the invitation [Hayat Destek Derneği /Support To Life - Istanbul, Turkey](#) of and with the support of *World Bank(2013)*
- Associate member of the Cairo conference of social accountability, which was held at the invitation of CARE Egypt and the support of the World Bank (2010)
- Training of Arab civil society organizations' members on fighting corruption and reporting according to the UNCAC, and building networks among them and other international, regional, and local organizations. Yemen, 2009.
- Training of the Iraqi Commission for Public Integrity and the Iraq Foundation on ways to fight corruption and build networks in partnership with TI, 2008.
- Training facilitators for the Youth Civil Society and Leadership program on ways to recruit and attract young leaders, 2008.
- Trainer for the Civic Forum in South Lebanon on conflict resolution in partnership with UNICEF, 2006-2007.
- A study on social relations in the village of Riak, 2004.
- Training secondary school teachers on the new interactive ways to present the material of Economy and Sociology courses. The educational center for research and development, 1998-2002.
- Research on the conditions of education in mid-Bekaa. Patriarchy of the Melkite Roman Catholics, 2000.
- Contributed to a study on emigration from Ain el Mrayseh. Ministry of Foreign affairs and emigrants, 1996.
- Participated in a research on the behavior of the football fans conducted by the Lebanese University, 1996.
- Contributed to a study on social relations in Ain el Mrayseh. Lebanese University-Social Sciences Institute, 1996.
- Participated to a research conducted on social relations of the immigrants in Beirut. Lebanese University- Social Sciences Institute, 1996.
- Conducted a research on the mixed marriages between guys from the gulf and girls from East Asia and their effects on spinsters' rates, 1995.
- Participated in a research on the worker's conditions in Lebanon conducted by the Hiring National Commission (Ministry of Labor), 1994.
- Participated in two trainings conducted by in Tunisia and Rome by CISL (Mediterranean Partnership) on the cooperation of syndicates in the Mediterranean countries, 1992.
- Bridging divide among young syndicalist with different religious backgrounds, a project by Friedrich Ebert in 1988.

Education

Lebanese University Beirut, Lebanon

Oct. 1991Feb. 1994

- PhD Thesis Title: "Individual Economic Relations in Multi-Confessional Societies."
 - The dissertation is an attempt to answer the question whether economic relations in Lebanon exist among individuals belonging to different communities. The hypothesis assumes that economic relations in Lebanon are governed by instinctive sectarian impulses rather than by a genuine economic rationale. The study offers an overview and analysis on major companies and their relations taking the sectarianism as an independent variable and economic relations as the dependent variable.

Lebanese University Beirut, Lebanon

Oct. 89- Jun. 1991

Master of Arts in Sociology of Urbanism

- MA Dissertation Title: "Urbanism's Effect on Socio-Economic Relations."

- The thesis examines urbanism and its effects on socio-economic relations. The Solider project of downtown Beirut is taken as a case study. The original blueprint of the project consisted of a modern architecture, which necessitates modern economic relations, and was later changed to fit the existing socio-economic relations.

Lebanese University Beirut, Lebanon

Bachelor of Arts in Sociology

Oct. 1985– Jun. 1988

Canada House College Beirut, Lebanon

Bachelor of Business Administration

Sept. 1981-Jun. 1984

Academic Related Experience

College de la Charitee Beirut, Lebanon

- Teacher of Economy.

Sept. 2005 – Jun. 2007

Patriarchal Faculty Beirut, Lebanon

- Professor of Sociology.

Sept. 2001 – Jun. 2004

Lebanese University Beirut, Lebanon

- Professor of Economy.

Sept. 2001 – Jun. 2003

Dar el Mouallimin Beirut, Saida and Zahle Lebanon

- Teacher of Economy

Sept. 1998- Jun. 2002

Beirut Al Ahliya College Beirut, Lebanon

- Teacher of Sociology and Economy.

Sept. 1996 – Jun. 2001

Publications

- "A Report on the Corruption in the Arab Region" (To be published by ARPAC)
- "Political, Economic and Social Corruption" (Yemen: HRITC, 2009).
- "The Ethics of Civil Society Activists" (Yemen: HRITC, 2009).
- "Youth against Corruption" (Beirut: Lebanese Transparency Association and Friedrich Naumann Stiftung, 2008).
- "Civil Forums Guide" (Beirut: Lebanese Transparency Association, 2008).
- "Practical lessons for economy courses" (Beirut: Educational Institute for research and development, 2000).
- "Emigration from Zoukak el Balat" (Beirut: Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Emigrants, 1996).
- "Syndical Leadership in Lebanon" (Beirut: Friedrich Ebert, 1996).
- Magazine Articles:
 - A series of articles published in the Lebanese magazine "Al Iktisad wal Imar" 1996-1997.

Selected Conferences Speeches & Presentations

- Joint workshop between USAID, Y.A.B, and Mercy Corps, 2009.
- "Roundtable on the judicial system in Lebanon," Civil Liberties' Defense Association "Adel" 2009.

- "Strengthening the role of CSOs," Civil Campaign for Electoral Reform, 2009.
- "Strengthening the participation of the disabled," USAID and Mercy Corps, 2009.
- "Social and Psychological effects of sexual harassments on children," Ministry of Social Affairs and Kafa, 2008.
- "The CSOs needs," roundtable discussions organized by the Ministry of Social Affairs and UND, 2008.
- "Role of the Youth in Fighting Corruption," Youth Civil Society and Leadership Program, 2007.
- "Media in the Arab Region," Arab Media Committee of the Arab Workers International Union, 1993.
- "Evaluation of the Arab Syndical Work," Tunisian General Union for Work Conference, 1992.

Computer Skills

- Microsoft Office (Word, Excel, Access, Power Point and Front Page).

Professional Memberships

- Member of the Sociology Correction Committee at the Educational Institute for Research and Development.
- Member of the Evaluation of Sociology and Economy Committee at the Educational Institute for Research and Development.

References available upon request