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Wael is an experienced auditor with over 20 years in risk assessment, assurance and auditing services, financial analysis and reporting, due diligence, and accounting. He has extensive experience spanning across manufacturing, trading, and hospitality industries in a multinational environment, serving over 50 operations in Europe, Middle East and North Africa, and the United States. He is a Certified Public Accountant (CPA), as well as a member of the global Institute of Internal Auditors (IIA) and the Lebanese Association of Certified Public Accountants.

« I help companies improve performance and secure value generation by mitigating risks, meeting high internal standards, and complying with international regulations. I believe that Risk Assessment & Internal Audit Advisory are essential to securing business continuity through ethical and world-class business practices. »

The critical aspect of internal audit and risk assessment is that it empowers organizations to identify risks that would significantly impact operations and set aversion strategies to protect business continuity. It is critical to sniff out violations of policies and best practices and set proper corrective plans.

Contracting with objective and specialized internal auditors and risk managers helps organizations to effectively manage performance across operations, understand assessed and identified risks, and leverage on the experience and know-how of experts to put in to place mitigation strategies and action plans. We help companies improve performance, accomplish objectives and KPIs, and evaluate and improve policies, procedures, and risk assessment, control and governance.

ABOUT WAEL

Wael launched his career with Napco National in 1998 as Senior Accountant, after which he progressed to take on the role of Chief Accountant in 2004. As Chief Accountant, Wael coordinated with heads of departments to prepare short financial plans, including sales, profit and loss, balance sheet and cash flow forecasts. He prepared and analyzed monthly financial statements, reported on financial controls, reviewed manufacturing costs, evaluated machine efficiency. He managed and reported cash flow, disbursements, and accounts receivable, as well as valuation of inventory and work in progress. He analyzed variances between reported production data and actual consumption of material. Over the course of 6 years, he further oversaw accounting and human resource functions. Throughout this time, he enhanced his analytical and risk assessment skills.

Towards end 2004, Wael joined INDEVCO in Lebanon as Internal Audit Manager. He played a fundamental role in building the foundation for strong internal audit and risk assessment through customized internal audit software, an Internal Audit Manual, a quantitative ranking tool for more indicative benchmarking, and implementation of enterprise resource planning (ERP) across operations. He has extensive experience in conducting due diligence reviews for new acquisitions and internal audits on companies in Egypt, Jordan, Lebanon, Saudi Arabia, the United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom and United States. He has broad knowledge of Lebanese, Saudi, Egyptian, as well as Greek, US and UK tax laws and regulations. His detail-oriented nature and strong analytic ability, paired with comprehensive experience, allows him to pinpoint violations of policies and assist in setting best practices and proper corrective plans.

QUALIFICATIONS

Education

BBA in Marketing, Lebanese University, Lebanon, 1997

BBA in Accounting & Finance, Lebanese University, Lebanon, 1996

Professional Certifications

Member of the Institute of Internal Auditors (IIA) – Lebanon Chapter, 2011

Licensed Lebanese Certified Public Accountant (LACPA) & member, 2008

Certified Public Accountant, American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA), California Board of Accountancy, 2002

EXPERTISE

Due Diligence

Accounting

Risk Assessment

Financial Planning & Reporting

Internal Audits

ERP

IFRS Accounting

GAAS Audit

Training