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Top Skills

Investment Banking
Investments
Equities

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United Arab Emirates

Summary

Investment banking and private equity professional with over 20+ years diverse experience of originating and executing M&A, capital markets and private equity transactions. During the course of the career, has developed strong relationships with leading business families in Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Pakistan and institutional investors in UK and the US. Created strong delivery track record in the Middle East and South Asia with successfully closed M&A, capital market, and private equity transactions, and delivering consistent returns to investors.

Experience

Reem Rice (Private) Limited

Board Member

November 2022 - Present (2 years 4 months)

Pakistan

Reem Rice Mills (Pvt) Ltd. was established in Lahore back in 1994. It is a joint venture between two renowned groups from the Middle East- Al Ghurair Group of UAE and Al Muhaidib Group of Saudi Arabia.

Symmetry Group

Board Member

January 2022 - Present (3 years 2 months)

Karāchi, Sindh, Pakistan

Symmetry Group is a technology and experiences company that specializes in digital strategy, transformation, digital commerce, data science, mobility, retail/ research & interactive marketing.

Himmah Capital Limited

Co-Founder and Managing Partner

June 2014 - Present (10 years 9 months)

Dubai, United Arab Emirates

Overall responsibility for co-managing the firm, and its business related to corporate finance advisory and private equity.

Kansai Paint Private Limited

Board Member

2020 - Present (5 years)

Kansai Paint ranks amongst the top 10 paint companies globally. Kansai Paint Pakistan with its modern, world class manufacturing facility in Lahore has a dominant share in Automotive paints business and is enjoying steady growth in decorative, refinish and industrial coating markets.

VIM Entertainment KSA

Board Member

2019 - Present (6 years)

Saudi Arabia

Kid's entertainment company operating Cheeky Monkey and Xtreme Play in Saudi Arabia

Hana Water-Hana Food Industries Co.

Board Audit Committee Member

2014 - February 2022 (8 years)

Saudi Arabia

Leading bottled water company in Saudi Arabia with double digit market share and Kingdom wide distribution

Jadwa Investment Company

Director - Private Equity and Investment Banking

May 2008 - May 2014 (6 years 1 month)

Key responsibilities include:

Project managing and executing investment banking and private equity transactions including transaction structuring, valuation assessment, due diligence, legal documentation, negotiations, liaising with CMA and managing portfolio companies post acquisition.

United Matbouli Group

Board Member

2012 - 2014 (2 years)

United Arab Emirates

Distributor for home appliances and consumer electronics in Saudi Arabia with brands including Samsung and TecnoGas

Abdul Mohsen Al Hokair Tourism and Development Group

Board Audit and Risk Committee Member

2012 - 2014 (2 years)

Leading regional hospitality group with over 70 entertainment centers and 35 hotels in Saudi Arabia and United Arab Emirates.

Rana Investment Company

General Manager - MENA Investments

May 2007 - May 2008 (1 year 1 month)

Key responsibilities included establishing and managing MENA public equities desk for proprietary book and client money (discretionary portfolios, private funds and mutual fund).

KASB Group (Merrill Lynch Affiliate in Pakistan)

2 years 7 months

Head of Fund Management

December 2005 - March 2007 (1 year 4 months)

Key responsibilities included product development, establishing investment framework and policies, managing the fixed income and equity portfolios, and assisting in the sales and distribution efforts.

Vice President - Investment Banking

September 2004 - November 2005 (1 year 3 months)

Key responsibilities included origination and execution of capital market and advisory transactions. Project managing and executing transactions including overseeing preparation of financial models, managing due diligence, conducting valuations, negotiating legal documentation, preparing offer documents, liaising with the regulator and handling post closure issues.

Alfalah Securities

Head of Economic and Equity Research

December 2003 - August 2004 (9 months)

Spearheaded the economic and equity research function. Personal coverage included telecom, oil & gas, cement and utilities sectors.

Threesixtydegrez LLC

Co-Founder

January 1999 - September 2003 (4 years 9 months)

Threesixtydegrez LLC was a technology venture capital/private equity company based out of US and Pakistan that invested and managed various technology ventures. Pakistan Software Export Board of Government of

Pakistan ranked Threesixtydegrez Pakistan Limited (wholly owned subsidiary of Threesixtydegrez LLC) amongst the leading ten tech ventures in the country based on capitalization.

Key clients, amongst others, included Deutsche Bank, Standard Chartered Bank (Global Application), ABN Amro Bank (Pakistan and Indonesia), Faysal Bank, A. F. Ferguson & Company, Novartis Pharmaceuticals, Shell Pakistan, ENI Lasm.

Education

Fuqua School of Business, Duke University
Leadership Program · (2012 - 2012)

Institute of Business Administration
MBA, Finance · (1997 - 1998)

Institute of Business Administration
BBA (Hons), Finance · (1994 - 1997)