



## A Conversation with Qatar Development Bank CEO Abdulaziz Bin Nasser Al-Khalifa

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## **Speaker Bio**



**Mr. Abdulaziz Bin Nasser Al-Khalifa** *CEO*, Qatar Development Bank

In addition to his role as the CEO of Qatar Development Bank, Mr. Al-Khalifa is the Chairman of the Board of Directors at Elan and the Chairman of Qatar Business Incubator Center and the Bedaya Center for Entrepreneurship and Career Development. With an accumulated experience of over 15 years, Mr. Al-Khalifa has a large and diversified exposure in the SME, private, and entrepreneurship sectors. He played the leading role in the launch of several flagship development initiatives, including Al Dhameen Partial Guarantee

Program, Tasdeer Qatar Export Development Agency and the Housing Loan Program for Qatari citizens, Moushtarayat Exhibition & Congress and Al Fikra National Competition. Mr. Al-Khalifa holds an MBA from Qatar University, a Bachelor's in Electrical Engineering from University of California, and has received several specialized diplomas from Harvard and INSEAD Universities.

## **Moderator Bio**



Mr. Amjad Ahmad

Director and Resident Senior Fellow, empowerME, Rafik Hariri Center for the Middle East, Atlantic Council

Mr. Amjad Ahmad is director and resident senior fellow of empowerME at the Atlantic Council's Rafik Hariri Center for the Middle East. He focuses on shaping innovative investments to empower entrepreneurs, women, and youth in the Middle East. He develops strategies and policies to drive sustainable prosperity through the creation of dynamic entrepreneurial

economies, the economic participation of women, and educational transformation. Amjad is also managing partner of the venture capital firm Precinct Partners and serves on the boards of Nuwa Capital, Eyewa, Tapal Tea, RSA Global, Mumzworld, Mr. Usta and The Luxury Closet. Based in the United Arab Emirates for fifteen years prior to moving to Washington, DC, Amjad has collaborated with business leaders and entrepreneurs to build leading companies in the Middle East. Through his work as a venture capital and growth investor, Amjad established two investment firms in the region that provided over \$1 billion in funding to over fifty companies in sectors ranging from technology and education to healthcare and finance. During the past five years, Amjad has focused his investments on entrepreneurship, innovation, and technology. Amjad holds a master's degree in international affairs with a concentration in international finance and economics from Columbia University and is a graduate of the general management program at Harvard Business School.