

Bio – Dr. Fatima Saeed Al Shamsi



Dr. Fatima Al-Shamsi is the Deputy Vice Chancellor for administration at Paris Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi (PSUAD) and a former Secretary General of the United Arab Emirates University (UAEU). She has a PhD in Economics from the University of Exeter, United Kingdom, a Master of Economics from the University of Baltimore, USA and a Bachelor of Economics from the College of Economics & Political Sciences, Cairo University. She held several academic and administrative positions such as; chairperson of the Economics Department, Assistant Dean for Students' Affairs, head of the Internship and Career Advising Unit, Vice-Dean and Acting Dean of the College of Business & Economics at the UAE University and Secretary General of UAEU. She served as a consultant to the UAE National Human Resource Development and Employment Authority (Tanmia).

Dr. Al-Shamsi has many research publications in refereed academic journals and presented research papers in different scientific conferences. Most of her researches deal with economic development and growth issues, economic integration and coordination, the role of the private sector in the development in the GCC countries, foreign direct investments, diversification of national income. Dr. Al-Shamsi's research interest is also in the area of women empowerment, economic role and labor force participation. She has participated in many conferences, seminars, and workshops addressing women issues such as "woman as a partner in political decision", "woman is a partner in economy" and a partner in decision-making and many others.

Dr. Al-Shamsi has been a member of many committees at national and international level such as the UAE World Trade Organization Committee and was a member of delegation to the WTO conference in Doha. Dr Al-Shamsi is a founding member of the Gulf Research Foundation in Switzerland, and a founding member of the UAE Human Rights Association. She served as a member of Abu Dhabi Higher Education task force in 2008 and a member in the committee preparing the report of "the UAE

Millennium's Objectives for 2007" prepared by the Ministry of Economy. She is currently serving as a Member of the 2015 Federal National Council Election Committee. Dr. Al-Shamsi is a Board member & Vice Chair of the "Arab Gulf States Institute in Washington " Washington D.C. since 2014 and a member of the Board of Trustees of the Economic Research Forum, Cairo, Egypt since 2014.