

PROFILE



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BRIEF BIOGRAPHY

Dr Halima Saado Abdillahi was born in Trans-Nzoia County in the Rift Valley region of Kenya. She has over 29 (twenty-nine) years of experience in Research and Academia at Senior Management levels.

Having served as Chairman (4 years) of the Technical University of Kenya Council (2017 – date), Vice Chairman (1 year, 8 months), Umma University Council (2019 – date), Board member, Kenya Red Cross Training Institute (2021 – date), Head of Research and Learning of a Humanitarian Organization, the Kenya Red Cross Society (5 years), Head of Economic Botany and Research Scientist of a Research Institution, the National Museums of Kenya (11 years) and Part-time Lecturer (Moi University and Graduate Assistant/Tutorial Fellow (University of KwaZulu-Natal) for 8 years, Dr Halima has managed to gain immeasurable experience in the Higher Education, Research, Science and Technology sector in Kenya as well as senior leadership and management proficiency.

Since 2017, she has been responsible for setting out the vision of the Knowledge Service Hub (International Center for Humanitarian Affairs - ICHA) of Kenya Res Cross and provide direction to achieve the desired vision through development of short and long term research strategies, creation of plans and set targets and identifying opportunities to expand ICHA through creation of innovative products and services.

She has extensive experience in implementation and management of large multi-institutional and multidisciplinary (Private Sector, Donor and Government funded) projects to successful conclusion. Additionally, the years of working have provided her with a wealth of experience in managing international, regional and national collaborative projects, results based management (performance contracting and balance score-card), timely submission of technical and financial reports and working in large teams with multi-cultural backgrounds.

Dr Saado obtained a PhD in Ethnobotany from the University of KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa. She has authored and co-authored numerous scientific and technical publications, presented in international, regional and national platforms, undertaken high profile consultancies and has been awarded international and local research grants.

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