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Pleasure to be working with Dr Hamad Odhabi

I have been working with Dr **Hamad Odhabi**, our VC for AI and Operational Excellence, for two and a half years and what a pleasure to be working with him!. First of all, he taught me AI as he is a world leading figure. He made his knowledge available to everyone across the globe. On the 21-22 of July he will be running an online workshop: AI enhanced teaching and learning certificate for faculty members across institutions within the **Association of Arab Universities**.

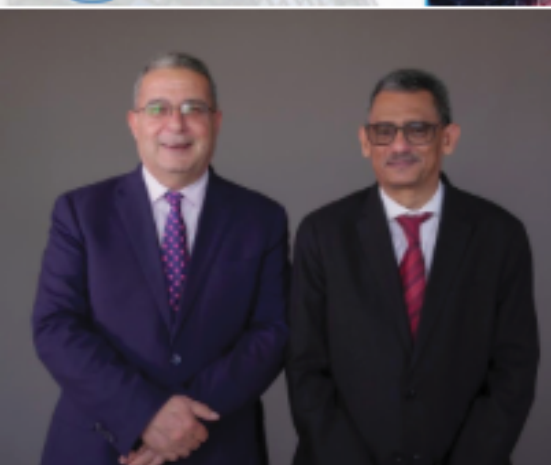
What sets Dr. Hamad apart is his exceptional leadership style. He exemplifies loyalty, integrity, and intelligence, making him not just a leader, but a role model admired by all. His approach is inclusive and empowering, fostering an environment where everyone feels valued and encouraged to contribute. As a true scholar, he combines academic rigor with practical applications, inspiring those around him.

Aligned with **Abu Dhabi University**'s philosophy of making knowledge accessible to the public, Dr. Hamad initiated and is leading the "Investing in Our Community" initiative. With over two decades of experience in academic and research leadership roles in higher education and technology across the United Kingdom and the UAE, he has made significant contributions to the field. Before joining Abu Dhabi University in July 2019, Dr. Hamad spent nearly 16 years at the **Higher Colleges of Technology** in the UAE. He holds an MSc in Computer Simulation Modelling and a PhD in Java Iconic Visual Environment for Simulation Modeling from **Brunel University of London** UK.

"It is better to lead from behind and to put others in front, especially when you celebrate victory when nice things occur. You take the front line when there is danger. Then people will appreciate your leadership." Nelson Mandela

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