

# Curriculum vitae

## Personal information

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<b>Nationality</b>	Syrian, Romanian residency.
<b>Date of birth</b>	30-03-1962
<b>Gender</b>	male

## Work experience

<b>Dates</b>	<b>1998 - present</b>
<b>Occupation or position held</b>	<b>Researcher</b>
<b>Main activities and responsibilities</b>	Contributing to policy analysis work conducted by the National Agricultural Policy Center (NAPC). This involves a variety of assignments such as: <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Produce scientific working papers,</li><li>2. Conduct field survey at farm and market level including gathering and analyzing statistical data.</li><li>3. Assist international experts in preparing and generating several studies, such as:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Citrus Sector by M. Westlake, October, 2000.</li><li>• Agricultural Development Strategy for Syria: Background Reference Paper, 2001.</li><li>• Agricultural policy and the environment in Syria: An examination of impacts and suggestions for policy reform, 2001.</li><li>• Options for Reforming Syrian Agricultural Policy Support Instrument in View of WTO Accession, 2004.</li></ul></li><li>4. Cooperate with international experts in training programs held at NAPC (short courses) as team leader.</li><li>5. Produce Progress report of NAPC 2003-2006.</li><li>6. Act as a secretary of the Scientific Committee of NAPC 2003-2006.</li></ol>
<b>Name and address of employer</b>	Ministry of Agriculture and Agrarian Reform, National Agricultural Policy Center, Damascus, Syria
<b>Type of business or sector</b>	Public

<b>Dates</b>	<b>1993-1998</b>
<b>Occupation or position held</b>	<b>Head of Tropical and Subtropical Fruits Department</b>
<b>Main activities and responsibilities</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Collect data through the cooperation with extension units and via field visits to build up the "data base" for all varieties of tropical and subtropical fruits.</li><li>2. Train farmers and fledgling agronomists to be familiar with the new cultivation and support them through field visits.</li><li>3. Disseminate information through booklets and lectures. Also, giving advises and technical support.</li><li>4. Make relations with the local University and Agricultural Research center to exchange experience.</li></ol>
<b>Name and address of employer</b>	Ministry of Agriculture and Agrarian Reform, Directorate of Agriculture and Agrarian Reform, Lattakia, Syria
<b>Type of business or sector</b>	Public

<b>Dates</b>	<b>1988-1993</b>
<b>Occupation or position held</b>	<b>Head of Soil Classification Department</b>
<b>Main activities and responsibilities</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Collect samples of soils to be analyzed later in the laboratory of the directorate. The field work had been done within three provinces, Lattakia, Aleppo and Der-Ezzor with total area around 190 000 ha.</li> <li>2. Participate in all activities of the Ministry of Agriculture and Agrarian Reform according to the instructions of the head of the soil classification section.</li> <li>3. Benefit from the analyzed samples in determining the main categories of soil in each province.</li> <li>4. Prepare maps and final reports.</li> <li>5. Provide technical consultancy to farmers and other agricultural projects.</li> </ol>
<b>Name and address of employer</b>	Ministry of Agriculture and Agrarian Reform, Directorate of Agriculture and Agrarian Reform, Lattakia, Syria
<b>Type of business or sector</b>	Public

### Education and training

<b>Dates</b>	<b>2004 - 2010</b>
<b>Title of qualification awarded</b>	<b>PhD in Agricultural economics - <i>Agricultural Policy and Rural Development</i>, October, 2010.</b>
<b>Principal subjects/Occupational skills covered</b>	Macroeconomics, Farm management, natural Resource Management, Comparative Agricultural Policies
<b>Name and type of organization providing education and training</b>	The Academy of Economic Studies, the Faculty of Agrifood and Environment Economics, Bucharest, Romania.

<b>Dates</b>	<b>2007-2010</b>
<b>Title of qualification awarded</b>	<b>PhD in Agriculture Sciences – <i>Natural Resource Management</i>, December, 2010.</b>
<b>Principal subjects/Occupational skills covered</b>	Agricultural systems, Management of scientific research projects, Environment protection, Agricultural policies, Econometrics, Agricultural marketing, General management, Strategic management.
<b>Name and type of organization providing education and training</b>	Faculty of Management, Economic Engineering in Agriculture and Rural Development, Bucharest, Romania.

<b>Dates</b>	<b>1998-2000</b>
<b>Title of qualification awarded</b>	Certificate of attendance
<b>Principal subjects/Occupational skills covered</b>	Economics of Agricultural Markets, Agricultural Policy, Agro-Industrial Policy Analysis, Macroeconomic Policies and Vulnerable Groups, Trade and Domestic Policies in an Open Economy Setting, Water Resource Policies, Decentralization Process, Food Security, Comparative Agricultural Policies.
<b>Name and type of organization providing education and training</b>	FAO

<b>Dates</b>	<b>1984</b>
<b>Title of qualification awarded</b>	<b>Bs.c in Agronomy</b>
<b>Principal subjects/Occupational skills covered</b>	Plant Sciences, Animal Sciences, Soil Sciences, Plant nutrition, Math, Physics, Statistics, Geology, Meteorology, Plant diseases, Animal nutrition, Plant anatomy and physiology, Political Economics, Cooperative Economics, Farm Management.
<b>Name and type of organization providing education and training</b>	Tishreen University, Lattakia, Syria.

### Personal skills and competences

<b>Mother tongue(s)</b>	<b>Specify mother tongue: Arabic</b>
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Other language(s)

<i>Self-assessment</i>	<b>Understanding</b>		<b>Speaking</b>		<b>Writing</b>
	Listening	Reading	Spoken interaction	Spoken production	
<b>Language ENGLISH</b>	9	10	9	9	9
<b>Language ROMANIAN</b>	6	6	5	5	5

<b>Computer skills and</b>	Word, Excel, Power Point, Internet Explorer, SPSS
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<b>competences</b>	
<b>Driving license(s)</b>	Category B
<b>Additional information (Training)</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>"Soil classification"</b> courses in 1998, 1989, 1990, Damascus, Syria.</li> <li>2. <b>"Land use and Plant Nutrition"</b> course, 1990, Damascus, Syria</li> <li>3. <b>"Soil Maintenance and Desertification Control"</b> course, 1991, Damascus, Syria.</li> <li>4. <b>"Banana Cultivation in Greenhouses"</b> course, 1994, Cairo, Egypt.</li> <li>5. <b>"Agricultural Policy Analysis"</b> course with the cooperation of the Italian government, the Syrian Government and FAO, 1998-2000 Damascus, Syria.</li> <li>6. <b>"Concepts and Quantitative Methods of Supply and Demand Analysis of Agro-food Commodities"</b> course, 2005, Damascus, Syria</li> <li>7. <b>"Management Workshop for the Staff of the NAPC"</b>, 2005, Damascus, Syria.</li> <li>8. <b>"Interpersonal Skills and Personal Effectiveness for the Staff of NAPC"</b>, 2006, Damascus, Syria.</li> </ol>
<b>Additional information (Workshops)</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Represent Syria in the Regional workshop <b>"Strengthening the Abilities of National Staff in the field of Analyzing and Evaluating of Agricultural Policies"</b>, 2000, Damascus, Syria.</li> <li>2. Represent Syria in the International seminar on <b>"Challenges to Agriculture in the New Millennium"</b>, Taipei, Taiwan, 2001.</li> <li>3. Participate in all the <b>workshops</b> of the national agricultural policies in Syria.</li> </ol>
<b>Additional information (Publications)</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Territorial and Structural Differentiation of Syrian Agriculture: case study, 2000, National Agricultural Policy Center, Damascus, Syria.</li> <li>2. The Impact of Policy Reforms on Consumers and Food Security in Syria, 2001, National Agricultural Policy Center, Damascus, Syria.</li> <li>3. Farming Systems of the Syria Arab Republic, 2004, National Agricultural Policy Center, Damascus, Syria.</li> <li>4. Syrian Agricultural Policy Impact on Soil, International Scientific Symposium, Scientific Papers Management, Economic Engineering in Agriculture and Rural Development, vol. 8, 2008 – p. 494, Bucharest, Romania.</li> <li>5. Syrian Wheat Production Policies (1997-2005), International Scientific Symposium, Scientific Papers Management, Economic Engineering in Agriculture and Rural Development, vol. 8, 2008 – p. 501, Bucuresti, Romania.</li> <li>6. Protected Areas as a Tool of Rehabilitation the Arid Syrian steppe (Al-Badiyah), International Scientific Symposium, Scientific Papers Management, Economic Engineering in Agriculture and Rural Development, vol. 9 (1), 2009 – p. 125, Bucuresti, Romania.</li> <li>7. Evolution of Syrian Rangeland Policies, International Scientific Symposium, Scientific Papers Management, Economic Engineering in Agriculture and Rural Development, vol. 9 (3), 2009 – p. 183, Bucuresti, Romania.</li> <li>8. Syrian Steppe Policies Impact on (al-Badiyah) Natural Resources Sustainability, International Scientific Symposium, Scientific Papers Management, Economic Engineering in Agriculture and Rural Development, vol. 10 (3), 2010 – p. 307, Bucuresti, Romania.</li> <li>9. Comparison between Syrian and Romanian Agriculture (preliminary results), International Scientific Symposium, Scientific Papers Management, Economic Engineering in Agriculture and Rural Development, vol. 10 (3), 2010 – p. 303, Bucuresti, Romania.</li> </ol>
<b>Additional information (Media)</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Work experience in commenting the documentary programmes in Tanweer private company, Damascus, Syria. (More than 1000 hours).</li> <li>2. Work experience in editing texts and preparing for recording in Tanweer private company, Damascus, Syria. (Around 120 hours).</li> </ol>