Bio of Alem Shah Ibrahimi

Mr. Ibrahimi holds an MBA degree from American University of Afghanistan (AUAF) and a BA degree from the University of Peshawar. He has also completed the Certified Accounting Technician (CAT) certificate offered by Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA). Mr. Ibrahimi is a recipient of the Farid Maqsudi social entrepreneurship award, offered by the American University of Afghanistan in 2016 for the best innovative social entrepreneurship project.

Mr. Ibrahimi started his professional career in 2008 at Pajhwok Afghan News, a local media outlet, as Finance Officer and was promoted as Finance Manager within 6 months. In 2010 Mr. Ibrahimi was subsequently appointed as Chief Administrative Officer (CAO), and took on the responsibility of the entire administrative and financial management systems at Pajhwok Afghan News. After a three-year stint at Pajhwok Afghan News, he joined FLAG International LLC – Afghanistan (US based firm) as Finance Manager, he was given the charge of financial and grant management. Mr. Ibrahimi then moved to American University of Afghanistan (AUAF) as an Accounting Specialist and was promoted to the position of Deputy Director of Finance at AUAF, a position he served for over five years.

Mr. Ibrahimi finally joined Ministry of Finance (MoF) as Director of Finance & Accounting in 2016, where he focused on improving budget execution and budget management, using payment process simplification and automation as tools. He continued working at MoF as an acting Director General Admin & Finance before becoming Director General of Treasury in June 2018, where he continued to simplify, streamline, and automate the payment processes and procedures and achieved 92% development execution for the highest budget execution percentage in the two decades. He was appointed as the Director General/CEO of Ariana Afghan Airlines, the national carrier in June 2019 where he was responsible to manage the financial situation at distress situation during COVID19 and turned the loss into profit of $3.4 Million net profit reported for the year 2020 through robust cost optimization measures and diversifying the revenue base, he had been working as Deputy Auditor General for Corporate Affairs. Mr. Ibrahimi has been recently appointed as Deputy Minister of Administration at Ministry of Finance (MoF).

Mr. Ibrahimi serves as Adjunct Professor of Business at American University of Afghanistan (AUAF).