

CURRICULUM VITAE OF AMBASSADOR KARIM AL-SHAKAR

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DATE OF BIRTH: 23rd December, 1945

PLACE OF BIRTH: Manama, Bahrain

MARITAL STATUS: Married (Fatima Al-Mansouri 1979, 3 daughters)

Education: Primary and Secondary – Bahrain

Delhi University (BA Political Science 1970)

Employment:

17 August 2009 – Undersecretary for International Affairs
Present Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Kingdom of Bahrain

July 2007 – Ambassador-at-Large,
16 August 2009 Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Kingdom of Bahrain

January 2008 Appointed as Bahrain's Focal Point to the United Nations, Alliance of Civilizations, Dialogue between Civilizations, Inter Religious and Inter Faith

Sept. 2001 – June 2007 Ambassador to the People's Republic of China, Beijing
(simultaneously non-resident Ambassador to Malaysia , Kingdom of Thailand, Republic of the Philippines, Republic of Singapore and

Mongolia)

August 1995 – August 2001: Director, International Directorate
Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Bahrain

August 1996 – August 2001: Member of the Board of Bahrain Promotions and Marketing Board

1990-1995: Ambassador to UK (simultaneously non-resident Ambassador to Republic of Ireland, the Netherlands and Denmark)

1987-1990: Ambassador and Permanent Representative to UN Office, New York

1988: As Vice President of the General Assembly, presided over a number of Plenary Meetings of the UNGA during its Forty-fifth Session.

1982-1987: Ambassador and Permanent Representative to UN Office, Geneva and also International Organizations in Switzerland, Consul-General to Swiss Federation, (simultaneously non-resident Ambassador to Germany and Austria

1984-1987: Permanent Representative to UN Office/UNIDO, Vienna)

1986: Chairman of G-77 – Geneva Chapter

1981: Counsellor, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Bahrain

1978: First Secretary, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Bahrain

1979 – 1982: Member of Bahrain-Singapore Joint Committee

1977-1982: Chief of International Relations and Organizations Section

1972-1976: Third Secretary, Member, Permanent Mission to UN, New York,
1973 Second Secretary

1971: Third Secretary, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Bahrain

1970: Attaché, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Bahrain

**Conferences,
meetings and
sessions:**

Attended several Arab and international conferences, meetings and sessions of UN General Assembly, ECOSOC, Human Rights Commission, International Organizations and Specialized Agencies and has presided over several sessions, meetings, conferences and seminars.

Decorations:

2001 Awarded the decoration of Shaikh Isa Bin Salman Al-Khalifa for Merits (Medal for Merit) in 2001

Area of Interests: Reading and Travelling

Languages: Arabic and English