

Dr. Ali Mohammed Al-Khouri

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Dr. Ali Mohammed Al-Khouri is one of the world leaders in the field of management practice development and digital transformation, with more than 28 years of experience in the public sector. He is currently the Advisor to the Arab Economic Unity Council and Chairman of Arab Federation for Digital Economy in the League of Arab States and missioned to provide strategic intelligence and support the digital transformation in the Arab countries. He is also working as a Director General in the Ministry of the Interior of the United Arab Emirates where he manages a range of strategic technological initiatives.

Dr. Ali Al-Khouri began his career in 1990 as an officer in Abu Dhabi Police GHQ, successfully leading and managing a wide range of strategic security, technological and infrastructure transformation initiatives. He succeeded in the carrying out to completion the UAE government's plans to register the entire population of the UAE and to implement a sophisticated and world class identity management infrastructure to support e-government initiatives and digital economy in the country.

Under his leadership, the Emirates Identity Authority received a number of international and local awards among which the UN Award for Public Sector in 2015, and the best government Authority in the UAE Federal Government for two consecutive cycles, 2012 and 2014.

He also ranked 23rd amongst the world's 100 most influential people in digital government in 2018, and the only Arab figure to appear in the list that was published by "Apolitical", a UK-based global policy platform for governments. He won the "Most Influential Personality in Digital Identity World in a Decade" award in the 10th ID World International Congress that was held in Italy in 2011 and endorsed by the European Commission.

Dr. Ali Al-Khouri has served as advisor to many national and international organizations and participated in the development of many international reports for United Nations, World Economic Forum, European Commission, and Arab Economic Unity Council in the Arab League. He is also a member in many advisory boards of international institutions and international task forces interested in the development of knowledge societies. He has more than 100 publications in the field of digital government and public sector development.

Al-Khouri is a Professor at the British Institute of Technology in the United Kingdom. He attained his higher education from the top UK universities, where he received his B.Sc. (Hons.) from Manchester University, M.Sc. from Lancaster University, and an Engineering Doctorate (EngD) from Warwick University.