

# S. Asher Imam

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## AREAS OF EXPERTISE

*Public private partnership*

*Resource mobilization*

*Knowledge management*

*Analysis and report writing*

*Coordination*

## PROJECTS

*Impact Bangladesh (UNDP)*

*Innovation for all (a2i) UNDP*

*Green public procurement in*

*Bhutan (IISD)*

*Sustainable finance (IISD)*

*Religion and sustainable*

*development, World Bank*

*Moral Imperative to end*

*extreme poverty, World Bank*

## SOFT SKILLS

*Analytical thinking*

*Self-motivated*

*Good team player*

*Problem-solving*

## QUALIFICATION SUMMARY

- An international development professional with master's in Sustainable Development.
- Strong network with professionals at International Financial Corporation (IFC) and UN agencies after working with an External Corporate Relations Group at the World Bank.
- Partnerships and resource mobilization skills; gained by an international development internship with Partnership and Business Development Cluster at UNDP Bangladesh.
- Excellent interpersonal, communications, and presentation skills; communicate in an organized, clear, concise, and in an effective manner.
- Know four widely spoken languages in the world i.e. English, Urdu, Hindi, and Arabic.

## RELEVANT WORK EXPERIENCE

*University of Waterloo – Waterloo, ON Canada*

RESEARCH/TEACHING ASSISTANT

Sep. 2019 – To date

- Assisting professor by managing large group of students by providing all educational support they needed.
- Currently teaching assistant for graduate level course "Business and Climate change".
- Completed teaching assistance for undergraduate level courses includes: "Introduction to Environment" and "Environmental Impact Assessment".
- Graded assignments/exams with detailed feedback for the courses by using online learning tools.
- Provided educational and technical support to students for their educational projects and outcomes.
- Reviewed and analyzed students' performance and prepared progress reports on areas to improve.

*United Nations Development Program (UNDP) – Dacca, Bangladesh*

JUNIOR PROFESSIONAL CONSULTANT

Oct. 2017 – April 2018

- Conducted donor mapping for resource mobilization to build partnership with international agencies, public and private actors for development programs.
- Worked with policy advisory team to prepare project proposals for partnership with public and private sectors.
- Coordinate with project team to devise strategic planning & updating policies to develop annual work plan (AWP) and country program document (CPD) etc.
- Planned, coordinated, and managed activities to collect and analyze data from project team to prepare country office result oriented annual report (ROAR).
- Assess project impact by monitoring and evaluation key operational targets by using planning system STAR & ATLAS and liaise with team for corrective action.

*Achievements:*

- Design, collect and updated donor database for resource mobilization by Insightly.
- Prepared concept notes, and project proposal to govt. for cost sharing for a2i project.

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## MAJOR COURSES

*Program planning and project design*

*Leading and managing social sector organization*

*Leadership community and coalition building*

*Business and climate change*

*Advanced monitoring and evaluation*

*Fundraising & grant writing*

*Humanities and social science*

*Theories and practice of sustainable development*

*Theories and practice of economic development*

*Management information system*

## OTHER INFO

*Resident: Canadian*

## REFERENCES

*Rev. Adam Taylor, Ex-Faith-based leader, World Bank*

*Dr. Azza Karam, Ex-Sr. Advisor, UNFPA*

*Shaila Khan, Director, Partnership and Business Development Cluster, UNDP*

***International Institute for Sustainable Development (IISD) – Winnipeg, MB, Canada***

**PROJECT MANAGER**

**April 2016 – Sep 2017**

- Performed center-point role for all project staff, and managed relationship with both internal as well as external project stakeholders.
- Monitored project implementation and actions taken in compliance with project plan, and identifies incomplete tasks and corrective action to project team.
- Prepared funding proposal & budget to SIDA, Gates Foundation & World Bank.
- Prepared budget with project team and monitor monthly spending to identify any gap and reallocate funds for effective utilization of project funds.

***Achievements:***

- Successfully completed 2 M CAD EU funded project of green public procurement.
- Completed project on sustainability standards funded by SIDA with targeted results.

***The World Bank Group – Headquarters, Washington D.C, USA***

**SHORT TERM CONSULTANT**

**June 2015 – Dec 2015**

- Managed relationship with civil societies and other stakeholders to collaborate and create partnership with the bank towards sustainable development goals (SDGs).
- Communicated and engaged with UN agencies, NGOs, and aid agencies to conduct and administered conferences at the bank as well as at UN office in New York. <https://jliflc.com/wp-content/uploads/2015/08/Religion-Sustainable-Development-Conference-Proceedings.pdf>.
- Coordinated with external stakeholders to prepare report on conference proceedings.

***Silkbank Limited (An affiliate of International Finance Corporation, IFC Pakistan)***

**RELATIONSHIP MANAGER**

**April 2018 – May 2011**

- Identified potential sector for new projects and resource mobilization through linking private/public sector in arranging funds for co-financing for projects.
- Developed relationship with public and private sector organizations for investment.

## TRAINING & CERTIFICATES

- International organizations legal framework, UNDP
- Ethics and integrity, UNDP
- The gender journey, UNDP
- Prevention of harassment, sexual harassment, and abuse of authority, UNDP

## ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS

***University of Waterloo, Ontario, Canada***

***2019 - To date***

**PhD Candidate in Sustainability Management**

***SIT Graduate Institute, Vermont U.S.A***

***2014 - 2016***

**MA in Sustainable Development**

***Institute of Business Administration (IBA), Karachi Pakistan***

***2002 - 2004***

**Master's in Business Administration**