

Tamdeen Youth Foundation, Yemen

Mr. Jameel Abdo Hodish

Organisation Profile

Tamdeen Youth Foundation (TYF) is a distinguished Yemeni non-profit and non-governmental organization focused on humanitarian aid, local development, climate action, peacebuilding, and empowering youth and women, with a strong emphasis on good governance. Established in 2013, TYF has grown from a voluntary youth group to a legally recognized entity with consultative status from the United Nations Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC). TYF's work spans a variety of areas including humanitarian response, socioeconomic and environmental development, peace and social cohesion, research, and promoting local humanitarian action. The foundation envisions societies where individuals have rights and contribute to sustainable development, with its mission centered on providing immediate responses and fostering growth and positive change. TYF values excellence, neutrality, transparency, participation, innovation, flexibility, inclusivity, and passion in all its endeavors.

Strategically, TYF has been involved in sector-specific humanitarian projects across Peace, WASH, FSAC, Shelter/NFIs, CCCM, Livelihoods, Health, Nutrition, Education, and Protection. In 2020, it embraced the Triple Nexus Approach, integrating humanitarian aid, development cooperation, and peacebuilding, to aid communities in recovering from war impacts. TYF prioritizes youth and the most vulnerable groups, including IDPs, returnees, refugees, and host communities, with a focus on gender equality. Its strategic directions include alleviating suffering from conflicts and disasters, enhancing youth and women's participation, and promoting socio-economic resilience. TYF is known for its accessibility, deep local context understanding, and equality in stakeholder engagement, employing approaches like Results-Based Management (RBM), gender mainstreaming, and protection mainstreaming to ensure responsive and inclusive programs. From 2013 to 2020, TYF expanded its emergency interventions across Yemen, actively participating in various clusters and contributing to several Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

Nominee Information

Mr. Jameel Abdo Hodish

Video presentation



Gender: Male

Job title: CEO

Jameel brings over 22 years of extensive expertise in program and project management within both humanitarian and non-humanitarian fields, including 15 years in management roles. With a Master's in Project Management and a Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering, his leadership over seven years in humanitarian efforts, emergency response, economic recovery, peacebuilding, and local development is noteworthy. As the CEO of the Tamdeen Youth Foundation, Jameel leads the localization movement in Yemen and collaborates closely with ICVA, RSH, NEAR, and other platforms, holding positions in the NEAR Leadership Council and the Operational Policy and Advocacy Group (OPAG).

His key capabilities span project and construction management, strategic planning, program development, team leadership, partnership and fundraising, research, advocacy, crisis management, and a profound

knowledge of NEXUS challenges. His technical skills include proficiency in various software and bilingual fluency in Arabic and English.

In his roles, Jameel has demonstrated exceptional skills in overseeing operations, strategic planning, stakeholder relationship building, and promoting localization in programs to ensure they are locally led. His experience encompasses developing and implementing programs addressing the water-food-energy Nexus, climate-migration Nexus, and managing diverse teams to achieve successful project outcomes and organizational growth.

To ICVA's Board, Jameel would contribute his deep understanding of the humanitarian and social contexts in conflict-affected regions, particularly in Yemen. His substantial experience in strategic planning, program management, and advocacy aligns with ICVA's 2030 strategy, particularly in promoting effective humanitarian action and localization. His leadership in navigating complex humanitarian challenges and fostering partnerships across governmental, non-governmental, and private sectors would be instrumental in advancing ICVA's mission. Jameel's expertise, coupled with his commitment to innovation, compliance, and ethical standards, positions him as a valuable asset to the ICVA Board, contributing to shaping strategic directions and fostering collaborative efforts toward sustainable humanitarian solutions.

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