

16'TH LEADERS IN ENGINEERING SEMINAR

THE PETROLEUM INSTITUTE, ABU DHABI

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Main Lecture Hall (room 100), Zarkuh Building
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From Academy to Industry

In the present time the industrial world is struggling to acquire and build upon the knowledge and skills to push for higher productivity and growth. Such knowledge and skills starts with the fresh and young graduate from technical discipline colleges and institutes. The market is becoming very demanding and facing a lot of challenges with tremendous competition to attract and retain professional engineers and technical staff in their organization to ensure their success.

Professionalism nowadays is becoming scarce in spite of efforts made in the industry to develop means and ways in establishing a good environment for the younger generation to have their first hands on experience and future prosperous career in the organization.

This lecture will put the industry prospective for making such technical career for the young graduates as building foundation to the excellences in professional world. It highlights the essential ingredients like Innovation, Attitude and Synergy that need to be acquired by the individual when stepping from the academic environment to that of industrial life.

Under each aspect there are related attributes that gain different degree of importance to form collectively a pillar to the elements of success.

Mr. Al Ghafli's Profile

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

B.Sc., Electrical and Computer Engineering, Arizona State University, USA (1981)

ACHIEVEMENTS

- With more than 24 years of responsibilities which included General Management of FERTIL and GASCO Plant Management, Engineering and Operations.
- Involved directly in the studies, reviews and upgrades of their technical projects from planning to commercialization.
- UAE Governor for OPEC (2002 – 2005) and a member in Technical, Educational, Industrial & Engineering Committees.
- Demonstrated ability to successfully define, manage and implement complex, technical and business objectives from marketing inception through product manufacturing.

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

ADGAS, General Manager, (May 2006 – Current)
FERTIL, General Manager, (1999 – 2005)
GASCO, Operations Manager (Nov 1996 – 1999)
GASCO, Deputy Operations Manager (Aug 1995 – Nov 1996)
GASCO, Plant Manager (Oct 1991 – Aug 1995)
GASCO, Engineering Superintendent (Dec 1987 – Oct 1991)
GASCO, Process Meas. & Control Section Head (Jan 1983 – Dec 1987)
GASCO, Electrical Engineer (May 1982 – Jan 1983)

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