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Date of birth: Jan.1958

Place of birth: Amman, Jordan

Nationality: Jordanian

Social status: Married (3 children)

Mohammed Khaled holds Master's degree from MIT 1989 in *Design for Islamic Societies* and B.Sc. Arch. from Jordan University 1981. He is a founding partner of GDAR (Group for Design and Architectural Research) an architectural consulting office established in Amman, Jordan in 1991. Also he is an Industrial professor of architecture at School of the Built Environment, the German Jordanian University since January 2011.

Mohammed has more than 30 years of experience in architectural design and teaching. As a Principal of GDAR he has developed design approach that mediate between modernism and cultural commitment to place and context. He has worked on complex projects from educational and health facilities to urban design and heritage conservation and housing schemes in different places as Morocco, West Bank of Palestine, Saudi Arabia, Yemen, UAE and locally in Jordan. He has participated in numerous numbers of architectural competitions and won prizes in most occasions. His work on Princess Salma real estate development project has won the Islamic architecture award of Cityscape Dubai 2006. As principal and Design manager at GDAR he has the skills and experience to lead a design team of various specialties with vision of conceptual, engineering and management sight. In addition Mohammed has the experience of dealing with urban and cultural projects locally and overseas and with remote design teams via different tools and medias.

He has wide experience in teaching design studios, history and theory of architecture and other courses at Jordan University, German Jordanian University, American University of Madaba and Petra University. He is a regular visiting critic of graduation projects in most of the local Universities. He has participated, lectured and exhibited his work on several conferences, workshops and events.

Education:

MIT / USA	1987-1989	Master of Science in Architecture Studies (S.M.Arch.S) June 1989
UJ/JORDAN	1976-1981	Bachelor of Architecture, University of Jordan (B.Sc.Arch) June 1981 (First rank)

Professional Experience:

List of Employers:

- 2011- Present **German Jordanian University,
School of Architecture & the Built Environment**
Industrial Professor (part time).
- 1991 - Present **GDAR Group for Design and Architectural Research, Amman, Jordan**
Architect, Founder/ Partner, Principal in charge .
- 2018-2019 **American University Madaba,
School of Architecture and Design**
Part time lecturer.
- 1989-1996 **Jordan University, Amman, Jordan**
Faculty of engineering, Dept. of Architecture
Lecturer.
- 1992-1993 **Petra University (Jordan University
for Girls previously) , Amman, Jordan**
Faculty of Architecture & Design
Part time Lecturer.
- 1984-1987 **Jordan University, Amman, Jordan**
Faculty of engineering, Dept. of Architecture
Teaching Assistant.
- 2002-2006 **Otaishan Consulting Engineers (OCE), Riyadh, KSA**
Specialized Design visiting consultant.
- 1990-1991 **DAR AL OMRAN, Amman, Jordan**
Senior Designer.
- 1989-1990 **Bilal Hammad Architects consultants, Amman, Jordan**
Senior Designer.
- 1981-1987 **Bilal Hammad Architects consultants, Amman, Jordan**
Architect.

List of International Consultants cooperated with at GDAR:

SB Architects, San Francisco CA, USA. Resort and Hospitality consultants.

Contact Person: Bruce Wright (bwright@sb-architects.com)

HHCP, Maitland FL, USA. Planning consultants.

Contact Person: Gregory Dungan (gdungan@HHCP.com)

WOHA, Singapore. Hotel and Resort Design consultants.

Contact Person: Wong Mun Summ (pr@wohadesigns.com)

HKS, Dallas, TX. USA. Healthcare Planning and Design.

Contact Person: Emanuel Mikho (emanuel@mikho.com)

Practice Experience:

1990 – Now Group for Design & architectural research (GDAR) *Architect, Founder, Principal in charge*

Responsible for all design activities in office, (*for details refer to GDAR –CV*)
Design, managing and production of final documents including design coordination and site support for projects in office, sample of projects following:

Selected Projects:

- New master plan for, Ras al Khaimeh (RAK) University campus.
- School of Business, Ras al Khaimeh (RAK) University.
- University library, RAK University.
- **Proposal for heritage conservation and urban study of old city of Ras Al-Khaimah.**

- Hanina Terraced housing – Madaba, Jordan.
- Al-Far Steel Factory- alMouager, Jordan.
- Samara Resort, (landscape design) Dead Sea-Jordan.
- Hael University Hospital, (600 beds teaching hospital) Hael- KSA
- Main Administration Tower for Jazan University, Jazan- KSA
- College of Medicine, Hael University, Hael- KSA
- College of Traditional Islamic Arts & Architecture, Amman- Jordan
- Waqfiat TIBA, Traditional Islamic Book Art Headquarter, Amman- Jordan
- Argane Golf Resort, real estate development, Marrakech - Morocco
- Hivernage Golf Resort, real estate development Marrakech - Morocco
- Residence de la Vallee Resort, real estate development Marrakech - Morocco
- Three Sub – Urban Mansions, Marrakech – Morocco.

- **Terraced Housing Estate (Princess Salma Neighborhood), Zarqa New Garden City, Zarqa – Jordan (Winner of Cityscape Architectural Awards 2007).**
- **Amman Municipality Building, Downtown Amman (jointly with Bilal Hammad Architects).**
- **Urban Restructuring for Downtown Amman, Master plan for Amman Plaza Ras Al-Ain site (jointly with Bilal Hammad Architects).**
- Crystal resort, (5 star hotel & development) Dead sea- JOR
- Arab American University, (master plan & colleges) Jenin West bank- Palestine
- Health care centers in different towns, West bank- Palestine

- **Urban Restructuring for Al-Mazar mosque and Mu'tta battle martyrs' monuments, Mazar –JOR (Jointly with Dar al Omran & Tibah Consultants)**
- King Hussein Mosque, Downtown Madaba – JOR.

Selected Competitions:

- Ministry of Water and Electricity, Riyadh-SA (second prize).
- Bait al-Mal office building in Ramallah, Palestine.
- Urban development and commercial strip, Aqaba-JOR.
- Urban development and landscaped strip, Aqaba-JOR.
- Al-Haj Islamic center, Amman_JOR (second prize)
- Al-Bassam Office tower, Dammam- SA (first prize)
- Al-Jeraisy palace in Riyadh- SA (first prize)

- Master plan Urban and Landscape design for Amman plaza, Amman- JOR Jointly with Bilal Hamad Consulting Engineers (first prize)
- Urban restructuring for Al-Mazar mosque and Mu'tta martyrs monuments, Mazar-JOR. Jointly with SBA & Tibeh offices (first prize)
- Abu-Obeideh monument and mosque, JOR (second prize)
- Madaba Mosque, Madaba-JOR (first prize)
- Master plan for Taiz University, Yemen (second prize)

- *Participated in the design of "urban revitalization and cultural conservation of Al-Rainbow street" jabal Amman (with TURATH)*

- *Participated in the design proposal for a new urban development and heritage conservation Of sub-urban district of Lahore, Pakistan (with Maisam Architecture & Eng. Consultant)*

2002 -2004 Otaishan Consulting Engineers, Riyadh- SA

Chief designer, head of Arch. Section

Responsible for design activities in office,
Chief architect design and development for major projects,

- APU Hyper Market and shopping mall – East Riyadh
Concept design by CVZ, PM & P designer for DD and Final design(finished2006).
- IKEA Mega Store, Riyadh.
Concept based on IKEA prototype (finished2004)
PM and P designer for DD & final design and site support.
- Faculty of Science, King Saud University, Qassim Branch- SA
PM & P designer, Programming, Planning & concept design.
- Qaseem private University, Bureideh-SA
PM & Concept design for Master-plan & colleges design
- APU-Hyper Market and mall – North Riyadh
Design and site support
- APU- Store in Dammam.
- Al-Ehsa commercial complex
- Saudi Commission for Health Specialties
PM & P design for DD & Final design.
- Buriideh Oasis housing complex.
- Youth welfare headquarters offices.

1990 Project designer

The Lecture halls & labs for medical colleges in the University of Jordan, Amman- JOR.
(with the Engineering Office for UJ).

1989- 1991 Freelance architect

Participation in design and production of the following with Arch. Rasem Badran
SBA office:

- Museum of Science and Astronomy competition, Riyadh-SA
(with Rasem Badran, SBA) (first prize)
- Specialty hospital, Amman-JOR (with SBA)
- **Samarkand urban planning of traditional center, Intl competition.**

Participate in competitions with Bilal Hammad Architects:

- National museum of Jordan, Amman- JOR.
- Master plan for the University of applied sciences, Amman
(Second prize)
- Headquarter for the organization of Islamic capitals and cities, Jeddah-SA.

1981- 1987 Bilal Hammad Consultant, Amman- Jordan

Architect/Designer – Part time, Participate in design and production of final drawings for the following:

- Private housing complex ,Amman , 1986\ (1st prize winner)
- Engineers housing project ,Irbid 1986 (2nd prize winner)
- Monumental gate for Amman 1986 (3rd prize winner)
- Multi-Functional complex ,Irbid 1985 (2nd prize winner)

1985 Personal participation in Mimar Competition III, a mosque in Jeddah (commended entry , published in Mimar Magazine # 17 ,1985)

Awards & Honors:

- Won several architectural competitions.
- Honorable mention of Tamayouz international, for students' graduation projects 2017 & 2019.
- Islamic architecture award of Cityscape Dubai 2006.
- Mimar (architecture in development Magazine) certificate of design excellence 1986.
- Full scholarship from UJ to cover masters studies at MIT.
- MIT award for academic excellence to cover tuition 1988/89.
- Aga-khan scholarship to cover tuition 1987/1988.
- H.M King Hussein award for academic excellence for graduates of 1981.
- Won several architectural competitions.

Committees and Workshops:

- Member of committee for the governance of qualification and accreditation system for JEA (Jordanian Engineering Association).
- Head of architectural qualification of experts and consultants committee JEA.
- Member of architectural scientific committee JEA.
- Visiting critic for design studios at JUST, JU, Hashemite University, Petra Univ., AUM, Zaytuna Univ. and Philadelphia Univ.
- Member of the steering committee and scientific committee for the fourth architectural international conference 2018.
- Participating & lecture at school of Architecture RAK University workshop for sustainable house design 2017.
- Participating in Campus-Med urban workshops in Malta, Algiers and Rome 1993-1995.
- Participating member of Architecture week workshop (biannual conference) JEA since 1982 onward.
- Member of committee Architecture & the city at JEA.
- Head of architecture interviewing committee for architects' professional classifications.

Professional Associations:

- Member of Jordanian Engineering Association, 1981.
- Member of Jordanian Architects Society.

Languages: Arabic (Mother)
English (Fluent)