



## **Prof. Wael AlKattan, MD, FRSC**

*Executive Director of Sustainability & Strategic Planning*

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Prof. Wael AlKattan is a key figure at Alfaisal University, serving as the Executive Director of Sustainability and Strategic Planning and a member of the university Council of Deans. With extensive expertise in education, clinical practice, and research, he has been a pivotal contributor since joining in 2007. As a founding faculty member, Prof. AlKattan significantly shaped Alfaisal, holding various roles such as Professor and Consultant of Surgery, Executive Director of Continuous Medical Education Center, Head of Surgery department, and Vice Dean for Admin. His influence was crucial in developing and accrediting the prestigious MBBS program, ensuring it met high standards.

In the realm of medical education, Prof. AlKattan played a central role in planning and designing facilities for the College of Medicine, creating an optimal learning environment. His leadership extended to strategic planning, where he established the Department of Sustainability and Strategic Planning, fostering sustainability education, research, and practices within and beyond the university.

As the first Executive Director of Sustainability, Prof. AlKattan initiated innovative strategies to integrate sustainability into Alfaisal's fabric. Notably, he reviewed the university's Strategic Plan, ensuring the seamless integration of sustainability for long-term growth. His contributions extend beyond Alfaisal, as he held managerial roles in various academic and clinical institutions, developing strong analytical and organizational skills.

### **Education**

Prof. Wael AlKattan earned his MBBS degree from the College of Medicine at King Saud University in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia. He furthered his medical education by completing clinical training in surgery in Canada, followed by several clinical fellowships. These fellowships encompassed Minimal Invasive Surgery at the University of British Columbia in Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada, as well as a Laparoscopic Surgery Diploma from the University Louis Pasteur in Strasbourg, France. Additionally, Prof. AlKattan pursued specialized training in Hepatobiliary & Pancreatic Surgery and Liver Transplantation at the University of British Columbia in Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada. To enhance his educational expertise, he also completed the Macy Program, a Diploma Program for Educators and Health Care Professionals, offered by the Harvard Macy Institute in Boston, USA.