

Meet the Candidate



Robyn Albers

Director/Lead Trainer

Albers Business Communication Solutions

Profile:

Robyn Albers helps professionals express themselves with confidence in both speech and writing. She has a M'Ed of Education and two decades of training experience. She has been living in the UAE for sixteen years and enjoy meeting Canadians and helping them navigate Abu Dhabi. She has given three webinars at CBC that were positively received.

What contributions do you plan to make to the CBC Abu Dhabi if elected?

Provide help with communication, promote membership at CBC, continue networking and helping people together. I have attended several CBC events and I am now introducing new members to people that would benefit them.

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Antoine Chamy

Executive Director

Ckre - Lloyd International Insurance Broker

Profile:

Antoine Chamy has over 35 years of experience with a worldwide knowledge and contacts in different field, including insurance, healthcare and big contracts negotiation. His role in Al Jaber Group covered taking care of all insurance matters including claim recovery of the group, negotiating and underwriting all insurance contracts with local and international insurance companies, risk management analysis and consultancy, and evaluation, adjustment and settlement of claims.

What contributions do you plan to make to the CBC Abu Dhabi if elected?

I would like to continue what I started and achieved during the past two years as board member . I shall work to increase the members and help them join CBC and take advantage of the different business opportunities, networking and connections we can bring.

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Amir Hasan

CEO

National Consulting Office for Engineering

Profile:

Amir Hasan is a strategist with almost two decades of experience and a strong background in engineering, project management, and sustainability. His expertise lies in organizational development, where he has established policies and developed an integrated environment with an engaged workforce. His proven track record of leadership and market intelligence has seen him rise up the ranks. He currently serves as the CEO of UAE-based National Consulting Office of Engineering (NCO), where he is involved in positioning the organization towards growth and profitability with an open-door policy.

What contributions do you plan to make to the CBC Abu Dhabi if elected?

Goal: Canadian Business & Citizen Centric, Build-Better-Connections

- Getting Canadian companies and individuals of different level to explore synergies between the companies for business growth in MENA region
- Talent pool - to identify Canadians at different level and assist them to find their ideal jobs / employer and vice versa
- Market Canadian universities in collaboration with universities for international students
- Identify / market investment in Canada
- Bring Canadian companies to ME especially for renewable energy, infrastructure and power and water sector.
- Collaborating with other business councils
- Gathering with Canadian and other companies CEO and executive management

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Dhia Hussain

Vice President, Sales and Marketing
M3 Marine Technology

Profile:

Dhia Hussain has over 35 years of experience in the areas of Technical and Project management, ship building, strategic planning and organizational excellence. He was involved in Major projects as project manager with ADNOC and other companies in the region. Passionate about energy efficiency in the marine market by promoting niche technologies. Active in organizational excellence program in Abu Dhabi & Dubai through the role of team leader in Sheik Khalifa excellence award, Dubai Health Authority and other private & governmental entities. Dhia Hussain is UK Bachelor graduate in Marine Engineering and master's in project management.

What contributions do you plan to make to the CBC Abu Dhabi if elected?

After launching CBC business services in my last term, I intend to Foster growth business strategy with well thought out approach along with the team to include;

- A) identification of CBC AD audience in the community
- B) perform market research for current trends
- C) identify creative communication plan
- D) lay down smart goals
- E) establish shadow board structure to infuse energy with experience
- F) utilize social media to advance CBC AD mission
- G) brainstorm diversification strategy to review current strategy for CBC sustainability.

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Kim Evans Jeffery

Consultant, Industry Engagement
Higher Colleges of Technology

Profile:

Kim Jeffery is a Canadian born and raised healthcare professional that came to the region with the intention, like many, to stay for a short period. Twelve years, two kids, four management positions in hospitals, medical devices, and software industries, and quite a few moves later, she finds herself back in Abu Dhabi with a renewed sense of excitement for where healthcare is headed in the region.

What contributions do you plan to make to the CBC Abu Dhabi if elected?

Kim plans to add value to CBC membership by consistently showing up – for meetings, for events and for the team; by continuing to build relationships in the region and at home, in an effort to drive CBCs mission of “creating trusted connections”; and by continuing to play the variety of roles needed by the CBC to drive membership, execute on engaging content and events, and to consistently create value for our members.

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Faiza Usman

Senior Vice President Mubadala Investment Company

Profile:

Faiza Usman is Senior Vice President of the Financial Planning and Business Reporting unit at Mubadala Investment Company. She is a Canadian Chartered Accountant with more than 20 years of experience in developing and building teams, strategies systems and processes to elevate the efficiency of the accounting and finance function of action-driven organizations. Before moving to the UAE, Faiza was responsible for internal controls, statutory reporting, management reporting, and taxation at various leading Canadian-based companies including KPMG, Bell Canada and Barrick Gold. Faiza holds a Bachelor of Business Administration degree from York University, is a Canadian Chartered Accountant (CA) Certified Public Accountant as recognized by the State of Illinois, and a certified Project Management Professional (PMP).

What contributions do you plan to make to the CBC Abu Dhabi if elected?

If reflected, I would like to serve the board as the Treasure and continue to monitor and report the monthly financial results of the Canadian Business Council. During this year, I worked on establishing a forecast for the 2021 year and on a monthly basis I have been reporting the financial results monthly to the board. I have enhanced the monthly report and provided additional visuals to help highlight some of the key financial drivers. This year if elected, I plan on developing a detailed budget and on a monthly basis monitoring the actual results against budget as well as updating the latest forecast which will be updated monthly. This will allow the Board members have better visibility on their financial position and allow them to make more informed financial decisions.

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Katherine Verrier-Fréchette

Managing Director
AWZ Horizons

Profile:

Katherine Verrier-Fréchette is the Managing Director of Awz Horizons, a subsidiary of Canadian VC Fund Awz Ventures being registered in ADGM. She is responsible for Awz's activities throughout the MENA region (except Israel). Previously, Katherine was a management consultant with McKinsey & Company's Middle East Office. She served McKinsey's public sector clients across the Middle East, Africa and Asia on strategy and implementation. She also supported clients' capability building. Katherine is also a former senior Canadian diplomat. She shaped Canada's vision and strategy in foreign contexts and represented Canada at the highest levels of government. She concluded her ~2 decades in the Foreign Service as Head of Mission (Ambassador-equivalent). Throughout her career, Katherine has advised leaders ranging from CEOs to community figures and from senior officials to ministers and heads of governments. She has also excelled at building bridges, partnerships and coalitions to sustain progress and innovation.

What contributions do you plan to make to the CBC Abu Dhabi if elected?

- A) Improving the working methods and overall efficiency of the CBC-Abu Dhabi Board of Directors working alongside the Chair of the Board and other interested Board members.
- B) Building the professional services business line with the contributions and participation of the Chair of the Board, other interested Board members, and members of the CBC Abu Dhabi.