

Farzin Khan

Ms. Farzin Khan has over 16 years of professional experience in the areas of Financial Oversight & Regulation, Compliance & Corporate Governance, Stakeholder Communications & Advocacy, Project Management & Strategic Policy Planning, and Anti Money Laundering (AML).

She holds an MBA in Finance as well as a Masters in Financial Management from the University of Bedfordshire Business School, United Kingdom, besides having attended many other career development programs, seminars and conferences. She has the distinction of being an IVLP Scholar under the United States funded Program on Financial Reforms 2011.

Her professional life ranges over years of local and regional experience across legal & regulatory enforcement agencies, regional governmental bodies and donor sectors with hands on experience of policy level strategic interventions, institutional conflict management and working with senior executives, corporate boards, advisory committees etc. She possesses well acknowledged communications & advocacy skills for external relations management, especially with government agencies and regulatory bodies. She is a Certified Director registered with PICG holding Director Training Program (DTP) certification from LUMS (2016). She has extensive exposure to Pakistan's Anti Money Laundering (AML) Regime and Pakistan's FATF Compliance program having served with USAID and UNODC AML and FATF Support Programs for Government of Pakistan. She is a proud National Award Holder – Prime Minister's Special Award for Women in the area of Corporate Governance and Women on Board initiative.

In her recent roles with leading donors in the development sector, she handled extensive support portfolios at national level for various regulatory and financial institutions and gained hands on experience of Financial Oversight & Regulation, Compliance & Corporate Governance, Stakeholder Communications & Advocacy, Project Management & AML/CFT Compliance mechanisms. She has served for ten years as the Deputy Secretary General of the South Asian Federation of Exchanges (SAFE)-an industry association of 24 securities market institutions from South Asia as well as from Mauritius and UAE. In earlier assignments, she worked in a number of national level regulatory institutions such as the Competition Commission of Pakistan (CCP) as well as the Securities and Exchange Commission (SECP).

She is currently serving as an independent director on the boards of Postal Life Insurance Company Ltd. (PLIC), ISE Real Estate Management Trust (ISE REIT Management Company Ltd), Citi Pharma Ltd and Ghani Global Holdings Ltd.

She is one of the founding members of Pakistan's first Women on Boards (WoB) initiative, to establish a forum under the international WoB drive, to address the acute shortage of women in senior, leadership & strategic positions, in the formal financial and listed corporate sector of Pakistan. She is a regular contributor and speaker at the various WoB events and initiatives.

Alongside her professional accomplishments, she is happily married for eighteen years and has a fifteen-year-old son. In her own words, she greatly values work life balance and never fails to stand for promoting gender equality and an enabling rather encouraging environment for female professionals.