

Dr. Yousef Ebrahim Al Akraf

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Dr. Yousef Ebrahim Al Akraf holds a PhD from Ohio State University (USA) in 2000 and an MBA from the same university in 1997. He joined the Mohammed Bin Rashid Leadership Program, Dubai from 2005-2007. Dr. Al Akraf is a Certified Master Lead Assessor from the European Foundation for Quality Management (EFQM) and a member of the American Society for Training and Development.

In 2000, Dr. Yousef joined DEWA as Assistant manager – Training. Driven by his academic qualifications, he led his team to several achievements and initiatives for DEWA. As a result, he received the Dubai Government Excellence Program (DGEP) award in the Distinguished Administrative Employee Category in 2004. DEWA's HR Department also received the DGEP Distinguished Department award in 2005. Dr. Al Akraf's career has advanced through different positions within DEWA up to his current position as EVP of Business Support and Human Resources.

As part of DEWA's leadership team, Dr. Yousef is managing the functions of the Business Support and Human Resources division in line with the set strategic and operational targets and activities in DEWA, including Commercial, Administration, Security, Health, Safety, Environment, contracts and Business Improvement. Moreover, he is leading Human Resources tasks, including Emiratisation plans, DEWA Academy, Talent Acquisition, Personnel Management, Talent Management, Learning and Development, and Employee Happiness.

In addition to his other roles, Dr. Yousef also manages logistics pertaining to exhibitions and major events organised by DEWA.



