



His Excellency, Dr. Ibrahim Bin Saleh Al-Naimi

His Excellency, Dr. Ibrahim Bin Saleh Al-Naimi is currently the Undersecretary of the Ministry of Education and Higher Education in Qatar. Prior to his appointment as the Undersecretary by the Emir of Qatar, His Highness, Sheikh Tamim Bin Hamad Al-Thani, Professor Ibrahim Al-Naimi was the founder and President of the Community College of Qatar from 2008 to May 2018. Under his leadership, the college developed more than 17 associate and bachelor degree programs and grew to become the fastest growing higher education institution in the State of Qatar.

Prior to establishing and presiding over the Community College of Qatar, Professor Al-Naimi played a key role in the educational reforms in Qatar. Under the “Education for a New Era” initiative, he led in the development of a number of well-known international K-12 schools including Michael E. DeBakey for Health Professions-Qatar, Sherborne School-Qatar and the International School of London-Qatar. Professor Al-Naimi also led the design and development of Stenden University in Qatar and served as the President for the university during its inaugural stages (2000 - 2006).

Professor Al-Naimi is well known around the country for his outstanding leadership in academic affairs and for his strong commitment to student success as well as program and community development. In 1994, Professor Al-Naimi was the first Qatari to be appointed as the President of Qatar University. Under his leadership and guidance, the university saw significant growth in student enrollment, faculty, staff and academic programs. Prior to that Dr. Ibrahim held several leadership and academic positions locally including Dean of College of Science and Professor of Organometallic Chemistry at Qatar University as well as founder and President of Qatar Scientific Club since its inception in 1987.

At the international level, Dr. Al-Naimi is recognized as a global ambassador promoting a culture of peaceful co-existence and acceptance of others. He has and continues to serve as Chair of Doha International Center for Interfaith Dialogue (DICID) since its inception in 2007 which serves as a platform for supporting an awareness of religious and cultural values in order to address the problems and issues of concern to all people around the world.

Dr. Al-Naimi has conducted workshops and presented academic and scientific research in many local and international conferences. He has published more than forty research papers in international, regional and local journals. In addition, Professor Al-Naimi has been a very active member of his community having served and continues to serve on a number of local and international academic, scientific and social boards including member of Board of Directors for the Center for Muslim Contribution to Civilization, the General Assembly, National Committee for Education, Culture and Science, the Advisory Board for the Asian Journal of Chemistry, the Board of Trustees for Qatar Awards, and many more.

Professor Al-Naimi earned his Bachelor of Science degree in Education with Honor in Chemistry from Qatar University, and both an MA and a PhD in Chemistry from University of Southern California (USC).