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GOVERNANCE COMPETENCIES

- Finance, audit & capital allocation
- Investment & real estate development
- Risk management & corporate governance
- Innovation & future economies
- National strategy & public-private partnerships

SECTORS

- Finance & Investment
- Real Estate
- Gaming & Esports
- Energy & IoT
- Logistics
- Research & Deep Tech

EDUCATION

- BBA in Finance, King Saud University
- Certificate in Project Management, University of Washington
- Executive programs, Stanford & IE Business School
- CME-1, Capital Market Authority

LANGUAGES

- Arabic - native
- English - excellent

Saleh Abdullah Alwallan

CHAIRMAN & CEO - BOARD DIRECTOR PROFILE

Chairman, chief executive, and investor with 18+ years steering capital, strategy, and governance across government, private, and non-profit institutions in Saudi Arabia. Has shaped national-scale programs - from a 146B+ SAR sector strategy to SME financing reform at a 45.5B SAR development bank - and built, scaled, and exited ventures of his own. Brings boards a rare combination: the financial rigor of a CFO, the operating instincts of a founder, and a research-first discipline that tests every decision against evidence before capital is committed.

18+

YEARS LEADERSHIP

10X

REVENUE GROWTH
(SEF)

3B+

SAR PORTFOLIO

188B+

SAR PROJECTS
(20+)

Board & Executive Roles

Chairman & CEO

2024 - Present

Nataedge Research & 86 Investments, Riyadh

Founded and leads two complementary institutions: a research house that converts rigorous scientific inquiry into ventures in future economies and deep tech, and a luxury real estate investment firm built on three decades of family construction expertise. Sets strategy, governance, and capital allocation across both.

Chief Financial Officer

2020 - 2023

Saudi Esports Federation

Grew revenue tenfold while professionalizing the federation's financial function. Co-led the 146B+ SAR National Gaming & Esports Strategy - 86 initiatives coordinated across 22 government entities - and contributed to the establishment of Savvy Games Group with PIF and the 1.8B SAR Gaming Development Fund.

Consultant, National Receivables

2020

Ministry of Finance

Entrusted by the Ministry to lead the design of the national receivables collection system - a government-wide framework for recovering state receivables under the MOF deputyship.

Senior Director, Business Development

2018 - 2020

Social Development Bank (45.5B SAR)

Redesigned how the Kingdom's largest development bank reaches small business: cut the national cost of capital for SMEs from 8% to 2% APR, launched instant financial guarantees of up to 10M SAR, and identified savings of over 90% of program costs through automation and commercial bank partnerships.

Entrepreneurship & Intellectual Property

Built and exited two ventures as a founder: an energy IoT company whose solutions supported over 5B SAR in value for Saudi Electricity Company, and a logistics business operated profitably for more than a decade. Inventor on two patents - liquid-asset sponsorship optimization (2024) and real estate-backed digital assets (2022) - reflecting a sustained record of turning financial insight into protected intellectual property.