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Expert in internationalization of higher education, research and innovation

WORK EXPERIENCE

Since 2019: LINDEN & SWIFT, Managing partner

- Created and launched the company, dedicated to internationalization of higher education, research and innovation
- Advices, assists and trains Universities in internationalization (academic partnerships, student recruitment, alumni relations...)
- Represents worldwide institutions in France and Europe
- Shares expertise on innovation ecosystems, the innovation strategies of institutions of higher education and the innovation models of France and Israel

2015-2019: FRENCH EMBASSY IN ISRAEL, Scientific and Academic Cooperation Attaché

- Developed and implemented the strategy of the scientific and academic cooperation Department and contributed to the innovation strategy
- Managed the Department (human resources, budget, and communication)
- Advised the French and Israeli institutions to set up partnerships
- Promoted studies in France
- Managed France Alumni network
- Provided scientific and innovation watch
- Organized country missions for French delegations and leaders in academia and innovation
- Managed the scientific and academic bilateral programs
- Organized scientific and innovation events
- Advised the Ambassador, organized meetings and events, wrote speeches
- Gave public speeches on science and innovation in France and Israel
- Assessed actions

2009-2015: SCIENCES PO, International Affairs Manager (Middle East and North Africa)

- Developed and implemented the University strategy in the area
- Negotiated and managed partnerships (universities, embassies, ministries, companies)
- Promoted Sciences Po programs
- Advised students and managed mobility
- Developed scientific cooperation (mobility of professors, joint symposia, joint-PhD programs...)
- Supported Sciences Po departments in their international projects (executive education, fundraising...)

Country missions: Morocco, Algeria, Tunisia, Egypt, Lebanon, Syria, Israel, Palestinian Territories, Jordan, United Arab Emirates, Kuwait, Iraq, Iran, Turkey, Saudi Arabia, Qatar

2007-2009: SCIENCES PO, Consultant for the Rabat School of Economics and Governance

- Managed the mission (strategy, budget, coordination, assessment)
- Provided strategic advice and pedagogic support for the creation of the School
- Managed the relations with French and Moroccan public authorities and project partners

2006-2007: SCIENCES PO, Advisor to the President

- Represented the President to partners (State, local authorities, companies...) and within the University
- Was source of proposals on strategic projects
- Wrote position papers and speeches

2005-2006: SCIENCES PO, Manager, Cooperation with high schools in underprivileged areas

- Managed the project
- Developed partnerships with public authorities and companies
- Created assessment tools

2003-2005: SCIENCES PO, Secretary General of the Doctoral School

- Managed the doctoral school (human resources, budget, and communication)
- Organized conferences
- Managed relations with professors, students, partner universities and public authorities

2001-2003: SCIENCES PO, Public Affairs Manager

- Managed lobbying

1999-2001: NATIONAL AGENCY FOR EMPLOYMENT, Public Affairs Manager

- Managed lobbying
- Trained and advised the regional offices on lobbying

1997-1999: ASSOCIATION OF SMALL CITIES IN FRANCE, Project Manager

- Managed lobbying
- Organized conferences
- Managed the cities network

PEDAGOGICAL EXPERIENCE (SCIENCES PO)

- 2019: Lectures on the innovation ecosystem in Israel
2001-2015: Taught on Lobbying (Master, Executive education)
Participated to admission panels
Advised students

EDUCATION

- 1996-1997 **Master (DESS) in Public Management, Université Paris Dauphine**
1993-1996 **Sciences Po, public service section**
Sept.-nov. 1995: Exchange program, Law School, Leiden University (Netherlands)

LANGUAGES

French: Mother tongue
English: fluent
Spanish: good knowledge

VOLUNTARY EXPERIENCE

2012-2013: Participated to the strategic committee of the organization of the World table tennis championships in Paris (2013)

2011-2012: Presided Saint-Denis Table tennis association (professional club)