

Muhammad Suleman Kakar

Objective

Actively and effectively participate and contribute in the process of Peace, Reconstruction and Development of Afghanistan

Experience

14 February 2007 to 14 June 2007 Ministry of Education, Afghanistan

[Senior Advisor on Program Coordination & Social Mobilization](#)

Coordination of all Program activities of the Ministry of Education at sub-national level, including provision of technical support to the Provincial Education Directorates, social mobilization for the support and protection of educational institutions.

20 May 2006 to 20 January 2007 Islamic Republic of Afghanistan

[Senior Advisor – Reorganization, Office of the President \(OoP\)](#)

Facilitation and Implementation of the restructuring/reorganization of the Office of the President, including rationalizing the structure, streamlining the functions, developing standard operation procedures for all the Unites and sub-Units.

01 January 2005 till Present CPAU Kabul, Afghanistan

[Chairman](#)

Policy Advisor and Overall strategic leadership of the organization

01 January 2004 to 31st December 2004 CPAU Kabul, Afghanistan

[Director](#)

Overall strategic leadership of the organization, making sure all programs and activities are in line with the organization vision, mission, values and mandates

15 December 2000 to 31 December 2003 CPAU Kabul, Afghanistan

[Program Director](#)

Facilitation, implementation and coordination of peacebuilding activities, research/advocacy, human rights education and civil society development in Afghanistan

03 July 1999 to 20 September 1999 ADA Pakistan/Afghanistan

[Human Resource Development Director](#)

Coordination and facilitation of capacity development of the ADA staff and of the participating communities

26 April 1999 to 02 July 1999 RTC Birmingham, England

[Visiting Tutor](#)

Planning and facilitation of an eleven week course on Working with Conflict for an international group of development, peace and human rights practitioners

01 March 1996 to 25 April 1999 ADA Pakistan/Afghanistan

[Human Resource Development Director](#)

Coordination and facilitation of capacity development of the ADA staff and of the participating communities

01 October 1992 to 28 February 1996 ADA Pakistan/Afghanistan

[Administration Director](#)

Strategic management including managing work, staff, external relation, information, communication and material resources

16 June 1992 to 30 September 1992	ADA	Pakistan/Afghanistan
Program In-charge		
Designing, planning, Implementation, monitoring and evaluation of the integrated rural development program in southwest Afghanistan		
01 November 1991 to 15 June 1992	ADA	Pakistan
Marketing Director		
Promotion of sale of Afghan handicrafts (produced by afghan refugees) through submission of the products to local and international markets		
01 July 1990 to 31 October 1991	The Salvation Army (UK)	Pakistan
Marketing Manager		
Promotion of sale of Afghan handicrafts (produced by Afghan refugees) through submission of the products to local and international markets		
08 March 1987 to 28 June 1990	SCF (US)	Pakistan
Training Coordinator		
Coordination and supervision of vocational training and teacher training program		
01 September 1986 to 01 March 1987	SCF (US)	Pakistan
Time Keeper		
Maintaining material supply register of at least 10 construction sites, keeping attendance records of laborers and supervision of skill training project		

Education

1999 – 2000	Master of Arts (MA); Development Studies Development Studies Center, Holy Ghost College, Kimmage Manor, Dublin, Ireland
1999 – 2000	Post Graduate Diploma; Development Studies Development Studies Center, Holy Ghost College, Kimmage Manor, Dublin, Ireland
1988 – 1990	Bachelor of Arts (BA); Political Science and Economics University of Peshawar, Pakistan
1986 - 1988	First Examination of Arts (FA); Humanity Group Board of Intermediate and Secondary Education, Peshawar, Pakistan
1982 – 1984	Secondary School Certificate Examination (S.S.C.E), Science Group Board of Intermediate and Secondary Education, Peshawar, Pakistan

Training

2001 (three days)

SPHERE Interagency Workshop, Humanitarian Charter and Minimum Standards in Disaster Response, Peshawar, **Pakistan**

1999 (one week)

Strategic Planning Workshop, Peshawar, **Pakistan**

1996 (two week)

Peacebuilding Training Workshop, Swat, **Pakistan**

1996 (eleven week)

Working with Conflict Course, Birmingham, **England**

1995 (one week)

Conflict Management Workshop, Islamabad, **Pakistan**

1993 (eleven week)

Development Studies Course, Birmingham, **England**

1991 (one week)

Report Writing Workshop, Peshawar, **Pakistan**

1990 (eight week)

Teacher Training Course, Mansehra, **Pakistan**

1989 (eight week)

Instructor Training Course, Mansehra, **Pakistan**

Research and Consultancy Services

February 2006

Evaluation of SDF's Peacebuilding Program

Together with an International Consultant, evaluated the SDF's Peacebuilding Program in Farah and Badghis Provinces of Afghanistan

December 2005

Facilitation of Project Related Impact Monitoring (PRIM)

Facilitated a process of Project Related Impact Monitoring of Fredric Ebert Stiftung (FES) in Kabul, Afghanistan

November 2005

Research (Armed Groups and Peace Processes)

Conducted research on Armed Groups and Peace Processes in 9 districts of Afghanistan

November 2005

Advocacy Practices in Afghanistan

Together with Mr. Kanishka Nawabi, conducted the research on Advocacy Practices in Afghanistan

September 2005

Conflict Analysis Report

Together with Mr. Kanishka Nawabi, produced an update Conflict Analysis Report of Afghanistan for Fredric Ebert Stiftung (FES)

August 2004

Facilitation of Strategic Planning Exercise for AFSC

Facilitated Strategic Planning of American Friends Service Committee (AFSC)

March 2003

Research (Strategies and Structures in Conflict Prevention)

Worked as a researcher and co-author for the research project "strategies and structures in conflict prevention and resistance to pressures", supported and initiated by Collaborative for Development Action (CDA)

August 2001

Research (Political Economy and Livelihood Strategies)

Worked as co-researcher for Afghanistan political economy and livelihood research project, initiated by Overseas Development Institute (ODI)

May 2001

Facilitation of Strategic Planning Exercise for CoAR

Co-facilitated the strategic planning exercise for Coordination of Afghan Relief (CoAR)

May 2001

Mid-Term Review of OI's Community Development Project

As a local consultant, conducted mid term review of Ockenden International's (OI) community development project in Enjil district, Herat province, Afghanistan

February 2001

Interagency Evaluation of UN Humanitarian Response

As a local consultant, conducted an interagency evaluation of the UN (WFP, UNHCR, OCHA and UNICEF) humanitarian response in Afghanistan

September 2000

Evaluation of Christian Aid/Ecumenical Field Office

As a local consultant, evaluated Christian Aid/Ecumenical Field Office in Herat, Afghanistan

*Participation in
the National
and
International
Forums and
Conferences*

7-8 February 2007

Participated in the Seminar "Peacebuilding and Governance in Afghanistan" in Madrid, **Spain**

13 -15 November 2006

Participated in "The First Arab Regional Forum on Innovations in Governance" at Dubai School of Government, Dubai, **United Arab Emirates**

24- 26 August 2006

As key note Speaker, participated in the workshop "Violence in the Post-Conflict State" in Bergen, **Norway**

7-9 June 2005

Participated in the Consultative Working Conference as part of Novib's (Oxfam Netherlands) involvement in the preparation for the UN Conference on the Role of Civil Society in the Prevention and Transformation of Armed Conflict, held at Noordwijk, **The Netherlands**

11-12 May 2005

As chair and lead facilitator, chaired and facilitated the conference "Internationally Accepted Criteria for Free and Fair Elections" Kabul, **Afghanistan**

6-9 February 2005

Participated in the Conference "Mapping the Terrain, The Role of Religion in Diplomacy and Peacemaking, organized by PRIO (Peace and Research Institute), Oslo, **Norway**

23-26 January 2005

As Partner Advisory Group Member, participated in the Norwegian Church Aid's Strategic Forum, Oslo, **Norway**

30 September 2004

As lead facilitator, facilitated the discussions and dialogue between Civil Society Representatives and the Candidates for Presidential Elections organized by the Afghan Civil Society Forum in Kabul, **Afghanistan**.

18 – 19 September 2004

As lead facilitator, participated in the Civil Society Seminar on National Budget Implementation, organized by the Ministry of Finance (Afghan Government), Kabul, **AFGHANISTAN**

09 August 2004

As Keynote Speaker, participated in the conference on "Women and Politics: New Opportunities and New Challenges", Kunduz, **AFGHANISTAN**

31 March – 02 April 2004

Participated in European Conference “The Role of NGOs and Civil Society in the Prevention of Armed Conflict”, the first Regional Conference within the framework of the Global Partnership for Prevention of Armed Conflict, Dublin Castle, Dublin, **IRELAND**

13 – 22 December 2003

As a Guest Speaker, participated in the Caritas International Annual Meeting in Rome, Vatican City, **ITALY**

12 – 13 June 2003

As a Keynote Speaker, participated in the conference on “The Role of Women in the Realm of Peacebuilding and Reconciliation”, Den Haag, **THE NETHERLANDS**

22 – 24 September 2002

Participated in the conference on “Afghanistan: Peacebuilding in a Regional Perspective” held at Bergen, **NORWAY**

16 – 28 March 2002

Participated in 3rd Annual Meeting of ACTION for Conflict Transformation, held in Kanamai Conference Center, Mombassa, **KENYA**

19 – 23 January 2002

Participated in the International Conference on Reconstruction Assistance to Afghanistan, Tokyo, **JAPAN**

11 – 13 December 2001

Participated in the NGOs Conference on Reconstruction of Afghanistan, Tokyo, **JAPAN**

27 – 29 November 2001

Participated in an International Conference on “Preparing for Afghanistan’s Reconstruction”, Islamabad, **PAKISTAN**

13 – 15 April 2000

Participated in an International Conference on “Local and Global Dimension of Food Security, Cork, **IRELAND**

12 – 15 January 1998

Participated in the Conference, “From Rhetoric to Reality: The Role of Aid in Local Peacebuilding in Afghanistan”, held in York, **ENGLAND**

02 – 14 March 1998

Participated in a Consultation Meeting of Responding to Conflict, held in Londonderry, **NORTHERN IRELAND**

25 February to 06 March 1997

Attended 35th Session of the Commission for Social Development as an Observer at the United Nations Headquarters, **NEW YORK**

20 – 24 January 1997

Participated in the International Forum on “Assistance to Afghanistan” and as a Resource Person attended the Education Forum, held at Ashqabad, **TURKMENISTAN**

Abbreviations

ADA	Afghan Development Association
CPAU	Cooperation for Peace and Unity
RTC	Responding to Conflict
SCF (US)	Save the Children (USA)
SA	The Salvation Army (UK based humanitarian organization)