

CAPABILITY STATEMENT

Dr Abenet Yohannes, Ph.D.

Educator | Researcher | Management Professional | Business Consultant

Bridging academic insight with practical implementation to help organizations strengthen systems, manage risk, improve performance and make evidence-based decisions.

18+

YEARS OF EXPERIENCE

10+

YEARS IN LEADERSHIP

3

GRADUATE DEGREES

EXECUTIVE PROFILE

Dr Abenet Yohannes is an educator, researcher, management professional, certified trainer and business consultant with more than 18 years of experience spanning teaching, research, consultancy, financial management and organizational leadership. He supports NGOs, public institutions, businesses and professionals to build stronger systems, improve accountability, manage risk and translate strategy into measurable results.

CURRENT LEADERSHIP ROLES

- Director of Risk & Compliance - OWS Development Fund
- Assistant Professor of Finance - Jigjiga University
- Founder & Managing Director - Kuraz Consulting

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Core Service Lines

Integrated advisory, systems strengthening, research and capacity development.

01

Financial Systems & Management

Stronger financial discipline, visibility and decision support.

- Financial system design and accounting workflows
- Budgeting, cost control, reporting and FP&A
- ERP and finance-process readiness

02

Strategy & Organizational Performance

Clear direction supported by workable structures and tools.

- Strategic planning and organizational assessment
- Policy, manual and SOP development
- Performance frameworks and change support

03

Risk, Compliance & Internal Control

Proportionate controls that protect value and enable delivery.

- Enterprise, fraud and operational risk assessment
- Internal control and audit-readiness reviews
- Donor, regulatory, due diligence and safeguarding systems

04

Business & Investment Advisory

Evidence-based decisions from concept through financing.

- Feasibility studies and bank-ready business plans
- Financial modelling and investment appraisal
- Market assessment and financing strategy

05

Project & Grant Advisory

Implementation-ready plans for accountable project delivery.

- Project design, work plans and budgets
- Risk registers, procurement plans and compliance tools
- Monitoring, reporting and implementation support

06

Research, Policy & Data Analytics

Credible evidence translated into actionable recommendations.

- Research design and policy analysis
- Quantitative and qualitative data analysis
- Surveys, evaluations and professional reports

07

Training & Capacity Development

Practical learning built around real organizational needs.

- Customized training and facilitation
- Training-of-trainers, manuals and course design
- Executive coaching and professional mentoring

08

Entrepreneurship & SME Growth

Practical support for resilient and scalable enterprises.

- Business development and enterprise diagnostics
- Growth strategy, cash flow and operations
- Entrepreneurship and employability skills

Sector & Assignment Experience

Cross-sector perspective grounded in Ethiopia's institutional and business environment.

SECTORS SERVED

- **NGOs & Donor-Funded Programs**
Risk, compliance, finance, grants, safeguarding, audit readiness and operational systems.
- **Higher Education & Research**
Teaching, supervision, applied research, curriculum development and academic leadership.
- **Government & Public Institutions**
Policy analysis, planning, research, institutional systems and capacity development.
- **SMEs, Entrepreneurs & Private Enterprise**
Business planning, financial management, strategy, growth and investment readiness.
- **Manufacturing, Agribusiness & Services**
Market studies, feasibility analysis, financial models and operational improvement.

REPRESENTATIVE VALUE DELIVERED

Governance and assurance

Led integrated risk, compliance, internal control and audit-readiness initiatives across multi-donor project portfolios.

Systems transformation

Designed finance, project, procurement, HR and document workflows to support ERP adoption in an NGO operating environment.

Investment decision support

Prepared feasibility studies, business plans and financial models for petroleum, agribusiness, poultry, garment and service ventures.

Professional learning

Developed and delivered training resources in accounting, finance, project management, HACT, MEAL, internal control, risk and compliance.

Evidence and policy

Conducted and advised academic and applied research in finance, accounting, project management, investment and microfinance.

Operational strengthening

Produced policies, SOPs, manuals, registers, dashboards and implementation tools that convert recommendations into daily practice.

THEMATIC EXPOSURE

Education | Food security & nutrition | Health & immunization | Protection & GBV | Social cohesion | Livelihoods | Agriculture | Enterprise development

CREDENTIALS

Qualifications & Working Approach

Academic rigor, practical judgment and tools designed for implementation.

ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS

Ph.D.

Commerce and Management
Studies

M.Sc.

Accounting and Finance

M.A.

Project Management

Certified trainer and consultant with multidisciplinary academic and applied expertise.

HOW ENGAGEMENTS ARE DELIVERED

01

Diagnose

Clarify the decision, problem, stakeholders and evidence needs.

02

Design

Develop a fit-for-purpose solution, method and implementation plan.

03

Validate

Test assumptions with leadership, users and available data.

04

Implement

Translate recommendations into systems, tools and accountable actions.

05

Transfer

Build internal capacity and support follow-through, learning and improvement.

ENGAGEMENT FORMATS

CONSULTING ASSIGNMENTS

ORGANIZATIONAL DIAGNOSTICS

RESEARCH AND POLICY STUDIES

TRAINING AND WORKSHOPS

EXECUTIVE COACHING

RETAINED TECHNICAL ADVISORY

LET'S TURN COMPLEX CHALLENGES INTO PRACTICAL RESULTS.

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