

CVAhsan Ali Syed – Founder and President

Based in Bahrain, Ahsan Ali Syed is the founder and President of Western Gulf Advisory (WGA). He founded WGA in 2008, following in the footsteps of his family who have over 150 years of history in private sector lending across Asia.

Mr. Ali has been self-employed since the age of 16 and closed his first significant deal worth \$1.5 million at the age of 18. Mr. Ali now plays a role in the management and the boards of over 133 companies worldwide.

Mr. Ali considers himself and his company to be experts in turnaround stories by converting non-performing assets into performing assets. Between 2003 and 2004 he bought a Canadian company for C\$ 565,000 and transformed it into a valuable vehicle worth C\$ 8 million within only 16 months. Mr. Ali's expertise and professionalism is highly recognised in the financial world, which is why he acts as a financial adviser to sovereign wealth, royalty, as well as many high net worth individuals.

Mr. Ali understands entrepreneurial needs and prides himself on being a reliable partner for all his clients. One of the main reasons he started his own asset management company was because he believed in his own ability and qualifications to manage and invest his own wealth carefully. Mr. Ali strongly believes that investments are not just about profit-making and capital preservation but also about selflessness and creating social welfare.

Mr. Ali holds a bachelor degree in law as well as a master degree in finance from universities in India as well as abroad.