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Dr. Abdullatif AlShamsi received his Ph.D. from Duke University, USA in 1997 and received his master and Bachelor degrees from Boston University. He is the President & CEO for the Higher Colleges of Technology as per Federal Decree (29) for 2015.

Prior to his appointment in HCT he was the Managing Director of the Institute of Applied Technology (IAT), from 2007 to the end of 2014, where he established the Applied Technology High Schools (ATHS), the Fatima College for Health Sciences, and Abu Dhabi Polytechnic. He started his career at UAE University as associate professor. His appointments at UAE University included the post of Assistant Vice Chancellor for Research, where he founded a University-wide Internship and Work Integrated Learning (iWIL) program.

Dr. AlShamsi has more than thirty-five research publications in world-class scientific journals and international conferences. His latest publications is a series of books published in Arabic titled: "The Make of Education." Dr. AlShamsi is a winner of the Federal Personality Award in its fifth edition, which is granted by HH Sheikh Mohammed Bin Zayed Al Nahyan, Deputy Supreme Commander of the UAE Armed Forces, and Chairman of the Emirates Center for Strategic Studies and Research (ECSSR).

Dr. AlShamsi is currently the Vice Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Institute of Applied Technology (IAT). He is the Deputy Chairman of the Abu Dhabi Maritime Academy (ADMA), as well as Board member of the Board of Directors of the Emirates Schools Establishment. These are in addition to his membership of several higher committees and educational advisory councils, such as the Higher Education Coordination Council, and the Higher Committee for Aqdar World Summit.