

PhD Dr. Abdusalam H. Omer
Minister of Foreign Affairs and Investment Promotion
Term of Appointment: 06/02/201 to present

On February 6, 2015, Dr. Abdusalam H. Omer was sworn in as the Minister of Foreign Affairs and Investment Promotion of the Federal Republic of Somalia.

The Minister of Foreign Affairs and Investment Promotion has overall responsibility for the work of pursuing the nation's foreign policy and Investment Promotion goals with the overarching objectives of protecting, promoting and advancing the nation's interests abroad

Dr. Omer holds PhD in Political Science and Public Administration from University of Tennessee, M.A. from Oklahoma State University, and B.Sc. in Economics from Boston College.

Dr. Omer served as the Governor of the Central Bank of Somalia, assuming to restart the operations of the bank and developing a 5-year strategic plan as guiding principles.

He served as the Program Manager for governance and financial services (GFS) at UNDP, Somalia and as Senior Associate at the Horn Economic and Social Policy Institute (HESPI). He also held senior consultant positions for World Bank, United Nations and Somali government.

Dr. Omer also served as the Chief of Staff to the Mayor of the District of Columbia and as Budget Director was considered one of the leaders who were instrumental and credited with turning around fiscal performance and city services of Washington, DC.

Dr. Omer taught undergraduate courses in U.S politics, comparative politics and Public Administration.

In 2001, Dr. Omer was recognized as the leader who had the most impact on service delivery and advocacy for low-income children. For this he was awarded the Tip Your Hat award by the City of Washington D.C.