



Amir Mahmoud Abdulla
Deputy Executive Director
and Chief Operating Officer

**World Food
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Biography

Amir Mahmoud Abdulla became Deputy Executive Director and Chief Operating Officer of the World Food Programme in March 2009.

Before assuming his current post, Mr. Abdulla was WFP's Chief Financial Officer (CFO) from January 2008.

Mr. Abdulla's career at WFP began as a logistics officer in 1991. He then went on to serve in a variety of field and headquarters posts including as Project Manager (2000-2001) responsible for implementing the corporate information management system, and as Director of Budget (2001-2004).

In 2004, Mr. Abdulla was named Regional Director for the Middle East, Central Asia and Eastern Europe Bureau where he served until July 2006, at which point he took up the post of Regional Director for Southern Africa until his return to headquarters in 2008.

Prior to joining WFP, he was a Branch Manager for Juba and Port Sudan for shipping and forwarding company Transintra, and Assistant Area Manager for engineering company, Burmeister & Wain Scandinavian Contractor, in the Sudan. Mr. Abdulla also taught at the American School & Comboni College in Khartoum.

A Sudanese national, Mr. Abdulla was born in Khartoum, Sudan, in 1957. He is a graduate of the Imperial College of Science and Technology, London University, reading Electrical Engineering and graduating in June 1978 with a BSc Honours degree and ACGI Associateship of The City & Guilds of London Institute. He is married with three children.

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