

## Mrs. Amiera Alhefeiti

Deputy Permanent Representative of the United Arab Emirates to the United Nations, New York

<u>August 2021 to present</u>: Managing numerous political files in the United Nations Security Council such as African, Asian and American issues, in addition to thematic files, including Human Rights, Humanitarian Affairs, legal issues, peacekeeping, and peacebuilding.

<u>2017 – August 2021</u>: Managed Security Council portfolio, focusing on Middle Eastern issues, legal and sanctions committees' issues. She also contributed to the preparations for the UAE non-permanent membership in the United Nations Security Council for the period 2022-2023. She was appointed as a political coordinator to supervise the political content of the UAE in the United Nations.

<u>2014-2017</u>: She co-managed the Third Committee file on Social, Humanitarian, and Cultural Issues of the United Nations General Assembly, and played a leading role in the issues of gender equality and youth through her position as Vice-President of the Executive Board of UN Women for the year 2016, representing the Asia and Pacific Group.

She joined the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation in January 2011, where she held the position of Analyst in the Policy Planning Department. Her work included advising and developing strategies on many country-specific issues, including those related to the Gulf Cooperation Council countries, Yemen, Iraq, the United Kingdom, and specifically the UAE-UK Task Force, in addition to human and women's rights issues.

Prior to joining the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation, she held the position of a parliamentary researcher in the Federal National Council and conducted several studies and contributed to the preparation of the foreign participation of the president and its members in regional and international conferences and forums.

In 2015, she was awarded the Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation's Award for Excellence in the Distinguished Diplomat category.

She holds a bachelor's degree in Political Science with distinction from the UAE University, and a master's degree in International Law, Diplomacy and International Relations, from Paris-Sorbonne University Abu Dhabi.

She has participated in several diplomatic training programs, including at the Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS) in Washington DC, New York University, and the Harvard Kennedy School.