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BACKGROUND

The idea of establishing an Organization specialized in agricultural development emerged in 1969 at a meeting held in Cairo and attended by the Ministers of Agriculture of 14 Arab States.

In its 53rd ordinary session, the council of the League of Arab States. by resolution No. 2635 approved the institution of a body corporate in the name of the Arab Organization for Agricultural Development (AOAD).

The council, then invited other member states to join the new Organization, which reached its full membership by 1980. The following table shows the names



of member states and date of joining the Organization.

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Sequential Effective Date of Membership

The Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan	30/9/1972
2. United Arab Emirates	30/9/1972
3. Republic of Sudan	30/9/1972
4. Syrian Arab Republic	30/9/1972
5. Republic of Iraq	30/9/1972
6. State of Kuwait	30/9/1972
7 Arab People's Socialist Jamahiriya of Libya	30/9/1972
8. Arab Republic of Egypt	30/9/1972
9. People's Democratic Republic of Yemen	30/9/1972
10. Kingdom of Saudi Arabia	30/9/1972
11. Sultanate of Oman	18/2/1974
12. State of Qatar	27/3/1974
13. Republic of Tunisia	23/6/1974
14. Democratic Republic of Somalia	05/8/1974
15. Yemen Arab Republic	05/8/1974
16. Islamic Republic of Mauritania	08/8/1974
17. People's Democratic Republic of Algeria	17/12/1974
18. State of Palestine	05/4/1975
19. State of Bahrain	11/5/1975
20. Kingdom of Morocco	17/10/1975
21. Republic of Lebanon	01/1/1980
22. Republic of Djibouti	27/5/1980

AOAD Headquarters

Regional Offices

The capital of the Republic of the Sudan, Khartoum, was chosen for AOAD headquarters, which was transferred from its temporary location to a permanent and newly constructed building in 1987. It comprises the Organization's adminstration and its technical and service departments, which include printing and publishing units and the Arab Centre for Agricultural Documentation and Information (ACADI).

AOAD has currently eight regional offices distributed in the Arab region as shown below:



Country	Location	Date of Establishment
Iraq	Baghdad	01.4.1975 01.6.1976
Jordan Yemen	Amman Sanaa	01.9.1976
Syria Libya	Damascus Tripoli	19.2.1976 01.11.1977
Morocco	Rabat	10.2.1984
Mauritania Algeria	Nouakchot Algiers	01.8.1985 21.2.1987
Algeria	riigicis	21.2.1307

AOAD Objectives

The objectives of the Organization emanate from sense of realization, conviction and desire of Arab countries to explore avenues for strengthening relations and developing cooperation in different agricultural activities to achieve food self sufficiency in a framework of regional agricultural and economic integration.

To realize those objectives, AOAD was assigned the following major developmental tasks:

- Development of natural resources.
- Improving efficiency of agricultural productivity.
- Increasing agricultural production.
- Supporting the establishment of agricultural and agro-industrial projects.
- Encouraging intra Arab Agricultural trade.

- Improving living standards of the rural population.

To fulfill its objectives, the Organization adopts different approaches including:

- Supporting and coordinating regional developmental efforts in the following areas:
 - Technical research:
 - Economic and social studies;
 - Rural communities development;



- Promotion of agricultural institutions and services;
- Conservation of natural resources;
- Improvement of means of production, marketing and agro-industries; and
- Exchange of Agricultural expertise.
- Compilation and publication of food and agricultural data and information.
- Providing technical assistance on request of member states.
- Monitoring recent development and innovations in international agriculture.
- Preparation, evaluation and implementation supervision of developmental projects and programs.
- Contributing in the propagation of developmental projects and programs in an effort to secure their financing needs.
- Coordination of agricultural legislation, laws, systems and standardization of agricultural specifications, measurements and terminologies.
- Cooperation with different national, regional and international Organizations concerned with agricultural development issues.

AOAD Structure

The present organizational set-up comprises the following:

- General Assembly
- Executive Council
- General Administration

The General Assembly:

It is the supreme entity of the Organization's structure, concerned with formulating strategies and general policies that pave the way for the

Organization's operations. It is also responsible for planning and monitoring AOAD programs, activities, technical and administrative operations. To achieve AOAD objectives the general assembly takes all necessary and needed arrangements.

The general assembly is composed of the Ministers of Agriculture of all member states or any official whom they may delegate. The general assembly has replaced the now defunct Organization's council according to amendments approved by the Ministers of Agriculture in 1990. The council held 20 ordinary and 2 extraordinary sessions during the period 1972-1990. The sessions were



chaired by the Ministers of Agriculture of the host countries. The attached table provides a summary of the location and timings of those meetings. (the table on page 15)

The Executive Council:

In its 20th ordinary session, AOAD Ministerial council approved the formulation of an executive council to act as major body of its Organizational structure. It assumes the role of the board of directors, concerning itself primarily with taking all necessary measures to enable AOAD in achieving its objectives. It submits to the general assembly AOAD technical work plan, budget and financial statements. It is also entrusted with issuing of administrative and financial regulations. The council also assists the general administration in securing AOAD financial requirements including membership shares, donations and grants.

The executive council consists of seven members who are periodically selected for a two-year term from among members of the general assembly.

The General Administration:

It is the main executive authority of the Organization It comprises the Director General, Deputy Director General, staff of technical departments, regional and Liason officers.

He is the chief executive of the Organization, responsible to the general assembly and the executive council for ensuring that the Organization's objectives are fully achieved and its tasks accomplished.

The Director General is delegated to represent the Organization in

Director General

pursuance of its objectives in all meetings and gatherings at the national, regional and international levels. He is also authorized to negotiate, draw up contracts on behalf of the Organization and to defend it in litigation. The Director- General is entrusted with carrying out all technical, administrative and financial responsibilities assigned to him by the general assembly and the executive council.

Since its establishment in 1972, three distinguished agricultural scientists have held the post of Director General, namely.



- 1. H.E. Dr. Kamal Ramzi Isteno Ex- Minister of Supply, Arab Republic of Egypt. (1972-1976)
- H.E. Mohamed Mohib Zaki.
 Ex- Minister of Agriculture, Arab Republic of Egypt. (1976-1979).
- 3. H.E. Dr. Hassan Fahmi Jumah Ex-Minister of Agriculture and Agrarian Reform, Republic of Iraq (Since 1980).

Director General at present:

Dr. Hassan Fahmi Jumah was appointed Director General for his first term in 1980 for a period of 4 years. He was re-appointed twice in 1984 and 1988 respectively.

Prior to becoming Minister of Agriculture and Agrarian Reform in Iraq, Dr. Jumah held several high ranking posts. Those include Deanship, Faculty of Agriculture at Mosil University, and Faculty of Veterinary Medicine in Baghdad University. He also occupied the post of General Manager of the Department of Agricultural Education and Natural Resources at the Ministry of Education and Scientific Research in Iraq, In addition to all those Dr. Jumah continued to provide his academic expertise as a professor of nutrition to a number of Iraqi Universities.

The Deputy Director- General The Deputy Director- General assists the Director- General in administering the affairs of the Organization and deputises for him in his absence. The post was held consecutively by four leading Sudanese agricultural scientists, namely:

- Dr. Ahmed Abdalla Osman Former undersecretary of the Ministry of Agriculture (1973-77)
- Mr. Hussein Mohamed Hassan
 Former undersecretary of Agriculture for Services (1977-1981)
- Dr. Mohamed Osman Mohamed Salih
 Former director of Agricultural Research Corporation (1981-1990).
- Dr. Abdel- Rahman El Tayib Aldel-Hafeez Former deputy Vice- Chancellor, University of Khartoum, (Since 1990)



The headquarters of the Organization comprises four main departments and three other technical units, namely:

- Crop Production Department
- Animal Production Department
- Economic Department
- Financial & Administrative Department
- Technical Cooperation Section
- Information and Publications Section
- The Arab Centre for Agricultural Documentation and Information (ACADI)

The above departments and sections carry out technical and economic studies and provide advice and assistance to member states. They also supervise the implementation of developmental projects, plan training courses and provide opportunities for Arab technical staff and experts to meet, exchange their views and discuss current issues of Arab agricultural development. The duties of the technical departments are carried out by a permanent specialized team with the support of part-time Arab specialists.

Crop Production
Department

The Technical and

Administrative Departments

At the

Headquarters

It is concerned with studies in areas of crop production, horticulture and forestry and the improvement of production techniques through such means as mechanization and crop protection. It is also concerned with the development and evaluation of land and water resources both quantitatively and qualitatively for potential agricultural use.

The department also undertakes and coordinates national and regional crop production research and field experiments and contributes in disseminating their findings among Arab countries. In addition, the department provides scientific advice on modern technology for the improvement of production. It also helps in

the development of agricultural and food industries as a mean of diversifying agricultural production and exploring new markets for agricultural products. At the operational level and to fulfill objectives of new technology transfer the department designs small-scale pilot projects and supervises their implementation which include the provision of inputs and training of national staff.



The Crop Production department comprises the following sections:

- Field and Horticulture Crops Section
- Land and Water Section
- Pilot Projects Unit
- Agricultural Mechanization Unit

Animal Production Department The department conducts studies and offers technical advice in such areas as livestock, poultry and fish production and related activities. Those efforts also include the proper utilization of natural and cultivated pastures, in addition to prevention and vaccination against endemic and other prevalent diseases. The department also supervises studies and research pertinent to survey, management and conservation laws of wild life.

In the area of animal hygiene, the department contributes in designing national and regional programs to promote vaccine production and control the spread of animal diseases. It also encourages cooperation among member states in the exchange of information on animal diseases, vaccine and drug production and planning for the development and promotion of veterinary services and quarantines. In addition to those activities, the department conducts studies and monitor the flow of imports and exports of animals and animal products in the Arab region. The department comprises three sections:

- Animal Production Section
- Poultry and Marine Biology Section
- Animal Hygiene Section

The Economics Department

The department is responsible for carrying out economic studies in the fields of the economics of agricultural production, use of economic and natural resources, in addition to agricultural planning and policies. It also conducts studies related to the domestic and foreign trade in agricultural commodities and products.

The department is also concerned with the enhancement of agricultural supporting institutions and systems that encompass cooperation, credit, research, extension services and overall rural development programs.

At the same time the department undertakes the task of improving the



efficiency and performance of agricultural statistical systems to involve their human, institutional and physical capacities. In pursuing its efforts to improve and disseminate statistical information, the department prepares a year-book on Arab agricultural statistics, in addition to an annual report on food and agricultural situation in the Arab region.

The Economics department, in collaboration with other technical departments, conducts feasibility studies of agricultural development projects. Moreover, it taps and encourages domestic and foreign capital resources in an effort to secure financial needs of those projects.

The department acts as a technical secretariat to the Food Security Working Group formulated since 1983 to function under the auspices of the Economic and Social Council of League of Arab States

The department consists of three sections:

- Projects Evaluation Section
- Production Economics Section
- Statistics and Planning Section.

Financial and Administrative Affairs Department The department provides all financial and administrative services for the Organization, in particular the preparation of the draft budget and the execution of the financial and administrative resolutions of the executive council. It is also

responsible for all procedures involved in expenditures and accounting, in addition to personnel affairs. It carries out all duties connected with the employees' committee, supervises the adminisatration and maintenance of the Organization's physical assets and revises contracts concluded between the Organization and other parties. It also prepares information on the Organization's financial position every three months and represents the Organization in the supervisory bodies responsible for financial scrutiny and the preparation of the final accounts.

In addition the department also supervises secretarial duties, store keeping



administration and the supply of materials as well as the public relations duties of receiving and dispatching of the Organization's experts.

The department consists of the following sections:

- Financial Affairs Section
- Administrative Affairs Section
- Public Relations Section.

The work of this section is to strengthen ties and establish new ones with Organizations, institutions and research centres in Arab countries and to help in the transfer of expertise from international centres in different fields of economics and agriculture. It also participates in the design of details of all the scientific gatherings and training courses arranged by the Organization inside and outside the Arab world.

In addition, this section collects data on agricultural expertise in Arab Countries and publishes them periodically. Also in collaboration with other concerned departments, it coordinates technical work and supervises technical assistance provided by the Organization to member states.

This section consists of the following units:

- External Relations Unit
- Training Unit.

Technical Cooperation Section

Information and Publications Section

The work of this section is to establish relations between the media and agricultural extension centers in Arab countries. The section is responsible for publishing a journal on agriculture and development in the Arab world and supervises the printing of all AOAD publications. Its other tasks include the preparation of such information materials as films and slides, in addition to mounting exhibitions and producing radio and television programmes on the agricultural sector in the Arab world.

This section consists of the following units:

- Typing Unit



- Design and Processing Unit.
- Printing Unit.

The aim of the centre is to link sources of information on agriculture in the Arab world and to coordinate collaboration between them and the international information systems. This will allow the free flow of information between Arab countries to proceed effectively and provide guidance for the efficient resource allocation invested in this field.

The centre collects, processes, stores and disseminates both documentary and non-documentary information using modern technology. It coordinates the output of the sectoral network for agricultural information as part of the Arab information network.

The centre also coordinates activities of Arab centres for agricultural documentation and information. This task includes systems design, development and documentation as well as the establishment and modernization of unified Arab data bases, training and the Organization of workshops. The centre participates in Arab and international information systems.

The centre provides services for many benificiaries in Arab countries: which include, researchers, trainees, policy-markers, decision-makers, agriculturalists and agricultural extension workers. This is in addition to agriculturalOrganizations and institutions which carry out research, teaching and developmental activities.

The Arab Centre for Agricultural Documentation and Information (ACADI) Technical and Administrative Units outside the Headquarters

Regional Offices

The centre consists of the following units:

- The Library
- The Computer
- Microfiche Laboratory
- Distribution

These units comprise:

- The Regional Offices.
- Liason Offices



-The Arab Institute for Forestry and Range

The Organization's eight regional offices are located in Baghdad, Amman, Sanaa, Damascus, Tripoli, Rabat, Nouakchott and Algiers. Each office is managed by a director with a broad agricultural experience supported by a small administrative staff. In some cases, few technical staff are affiliated to the offices.

The regional offices perform the following functions:

- Collecting country agricultural statistics and information on development plans and studies.
- Preparing an annual report on agriculture and development within the geographical area covered by the office;
- Updating list of experts specialized in different aspects of agricultural development;
- Contacting country authorities for technical consultations on programmed activities to be implemented by the Organization
- Providing technical and administrative assistance to teams of experts who execute the Organization's programs and activities within the offices geographical area; and
- Opening channels of communication and dialogue between the Organization and representatives of other Arab and international institutions and Organizations operating within the relevant geographical area, with the aim of highlighting and promoting the Organization's programs and activities and exploring the possibilities of joint projects.

LIASON OFFICES

THE ARAB
INSTITUTE FOR
FORESTRY AND
RANGE

Those are technical staff employed by their respective countries and as a part of their official duties they provide services to the Organization. They are stationed in Kuwait, Riyadh, Dubai, Mogadishu, Aden and Beirut, They represent the link between the Organization's headquarters and specialized ministries in their countries. They are generally assigned to collect statistics, information and technical reports and facilitate official missions of the Organization's experts.

The institute was established in 1960 in Latakia, Syria in collaboration with the FAO. In 1979 it was decided to affiliate the Institute to AOAD and since then it



receives annual funds from the Organization's general budget.

The Institute has a board of directors headed by the deputy director-general of the Organization and membership comprised of the director of AOAD regional office in Syria and the managers of the Forestry departments or their representative in Syria, Jordan, Iraq, Tunisia, Sudan and Algeria, in addition to the director of the Institute.

The Institute trains and qualifies Arab cadres in its field of specialization and awards its graduates a diploma after completing two academic years equivalent to 22 working months. Students are enrolled on the basis of their attainment high secondary school certificate based on regular or agricultural education or their equivalent.

To secure its financial resources, AOAD has a number of sources which include:

- Annual contributions of member states allotted according to shares followed in the general budget of the League of Arab States
- Target funding by member states or as a part of cooperation agreements with Arab, regional and international development and financing organizations. Those funds are targeted to finance joint collaborative activities such as conducting of studies, implementation of projects and programs.
- Potential returns from investment of the Organization's capital flows.

Financial Resources of the Organization

Activities of the Organization

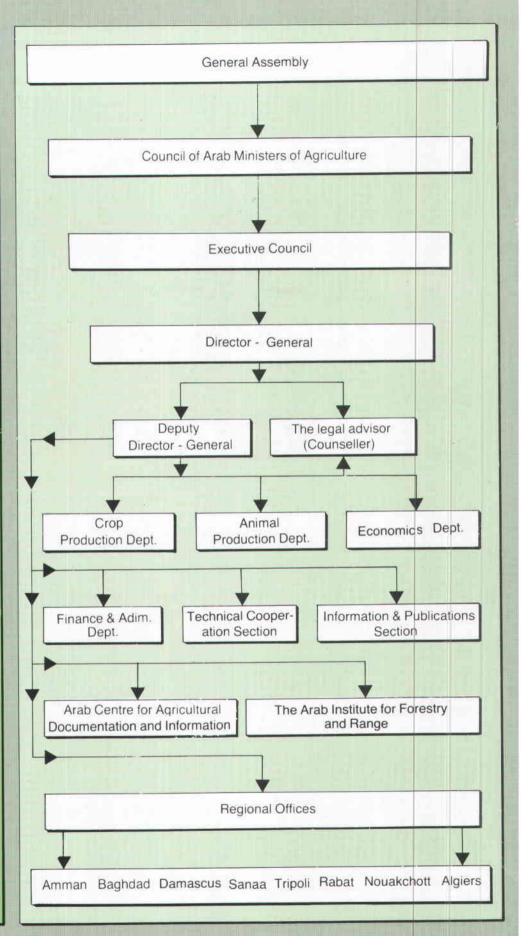
Gifts, bequests or contributions approved by the executive council of the Organization or its general assembly.

In order to achieve its objectives, the Organization conducts development studies, training courses and seminars in addition to providing technical assistance to member states. It also designs and implements pilot agricultural projects aimed at disseminating knowledge of modern agricultural techniques. Furthermore, the Organization supervises the execution of certain production or service oriented development projects at both the country and regional levels.



In conducting its programs and other activities, the Organization adheres to a system of multi-disciplinary and well integrated research and executive teams. Members of those teams are chosen from different Arab states and work for a period ranging from a few weeks to a number of years depending on the nature of the project, program, seminar, study or technical aid. The Organization sometimes, contracts foreign consultants to offer their expertise in such areas where no Arab experts are available.

Administrative Structure of AOAD



AOAD COUNCIL MEETINGS

Ordinary Sessions	Location	Date	Chairmanship
First Second Third Fourth	Khartoum, Sudan Khartoum, Sudan Cairo, Egypt Cairo, Egypt	30/9-2/10/1972 27/1-30/1/1973 17/7-19/7/1973 6/8-8/8/1974	H.E.W. Habashi H.E.W. Habashi H.E. Dr. M.M. Zaki H.E. Dr. M.M. Zaki



1	Fifth	Baghdad, Iraq	14/10 17/10/1075	UE De UE lumah
	Sixth	-	14/10-17/10/1975	H.E. Dr. H.F. Jumah
H		Tunis, Tunisia	13/10-14/10/1976	H.E. H. Belkhoja
ı	Seventh	Amman, Jordan	17/10-20/10/1977	H.E.S. Gomaa
1	Eighth	Rabat, Morocco	23/10-27/10/1978	H.E.M. Faris
	Nineth	Riyadh, S. Arabia	7/1-10/1/1980	H.E. Dr. A.A. Alsheikh
	Tenth	Damascus, Syria	13/12-16/12/1980	H.E.H. Masoukar
	Eleventh	Tripoli, Libya	12/12-15/12/1981	H.E.B. Gouda
١	Twelfth	Sanaa, Yemen	20/11-22/11/1982	H.E. Dr. A.A. Al Hamadani
	Thirteenth	Khartoum, Sudan	24/12-26/12/1983	H.E. Dr. O.A. Hakim
	Fourteenth	Mogadisho,	11/12-13/12/1984	H.E. Brigadier
ı		Somalia		B.R. Goulied
	Fifteenth	Algiers, Algeria	11/1-13/1/1986	H.E. A.S. Al Noman
١	Sixteenth	Baghdad, Iraq	26/1-28/1/1987	H.E. A.S. Al Noman
ı	Seventeenth	Khartoum, Sudan	18/1-20/1/1988	H.E. Dr. O. Nour Al Dayem
1	Eighteenth	Damascus, Syria	16/1-18/1/1989	H.E.M. Ghabbash
	Nineteenth	Tripoli, Lybia	16/1-18/1/1990	H.E.A. AL Gaoud
	Twentieth	Amman, Jordan	29/7-30/7/1990	H.E. Dr. S. Arabiat
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Extra Ordinary Sessions

Baghdad, Iraq Amman, Jordan H.E.A. Allsasi First 3/7/1979 28/7-29/7/1990 H.E.A. Al Gaoud Second

List of AOAD Technical Staff at Headquarters, Regional Offices and Projects

Name	Title	Qualification
Hassan F. Jumah	Director General	Ph.D. Animal Production
A/Rahman E. A/Hafeez	Deputy Director General	Ph.D., Horticulture
A/Hamid O. Abbashar	Head, Animal Prod. Dept.	Ph.D., Animal Genetics
Mohamed Z. Gomaa	Head, Economics Dept	Ph.D. Agricultural Economics
Khashii M. Al Rawii	Head_Plant Prod_Dept_	Ph_D_ Agronomy
Yahia Bakour	Head, Regional Office, Syria	Ph.D., Agricultura Extension
Mohamed K. Boker	Head, Regional Office, Libya	MSc., Agricultural Economics
Najem Ben Mohamed	Head, Regional Office, Morocco	MSc., Irrigation
Abdel Hamid Al Kayed	Head, Regional Office, Jordan	Ph.D. Agricultural Economics
Mohi Y, Al Samarrai	Head, Regional Office, Iraq	Ph.D. Soil Science
Ismail M. Al Mutwakil	Head, Regional Office, Yemen	MSc., Agronomy
Ahmed Al Wafi	Head, Regional Office, Mauritania	Bachelor of Laws (LL.B)
Mustafa Al Abbasi	Head, Regional Office, Algeria	Ph.D. Agronomy
Ali A. Saad	Head, Dept. of Finance & Administration	B.A. Commerce
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	State of Bahrain	Sciences
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	Saudi Arabia	
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Mohamed A. Hibaisha	an Country Coordinator, UNDP Project on Oil- Seeds Development, Yemen	MSc., Entomology
Gaafar H.A. Al Jafri	Country Coordinator, UNDP Project on Oil- Seeds Development, Yemen	MSc., Agricultural Extension
Omer Sh. Mohamed	Country Coordinator, UNDP Project on Oil- Seeds Development, Somalia	MSc., Plant Breeding
Ibrahim A. Al Mekki	Vegetable & Fruit Prod. Consultant, Somalia	MSc., Horticulture
Abdel Malik Sh. Osma	an Vegetable & Fruit Prod. Staff.	Diploma, Horticulture

Name	Title	Qualification
Yousri A. Nasser	Irrigation Systems Staff, Sultanate of Oman	BSc., Irrigation Engineering
Gaffer H.M. Ali	Onion Seeds Propagation Consult. Yemen	Ph.D. Horticulture
Al Sanousi A Al Sanousi	Vegetable and Fruit Production staff, Yemen	Diploma. Horticulture
Mahgoub G Al Haj	Animal Nutrition Consultant Sultanate of Oman	Ph.D., Animal Nutrition
Haydar Ibrahiem	Kahidi Agric. Institute Staff Mauritania	BSc., Agriculture
Sadig A. Bakhiet	Kahidi Agric Institute Staff Mauritania	BSc., Forestry
Abd Elmoneim Ail Hassan	Kahidi Agric. Institute Staff Mauritania	M.Sc Veterinary Sciences
Sirag Aldin M.Jab Alla	Rural Engineering Staff, Mauritania	BSc. Agriculture
Osman H. Abdel Samed	dVegetable and Fruit Production staff, Yemen	Diploma, Horticulture
Zein Al Abdin A. Hamid	Vegetable and Fruit Production staff, Yemen	Diploma, Horticulture
Abdalla Abo Baker	Country Coordinator & Animal Production	Ph.D Animal Production
Mohamed N, Sounkari	Consultant New Heisha Project, Libya Environment Consultant, New Heisha Project, Libya	Ph.D., Environmental Sciences
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Ibrahim Al Nazer	Bee Honey Consultant New Heisha Project, Libya	Ph.D Bee Honey
Al Haj A. Al Habib Khalid A. Rajab	Animal Production Dept. Staff Plant Production Dept. Staff	MSc. Animal Production MSc. PlantProduction
Osman Mirghani	Technical Section Staff	BSc Agriculture
Ibrahim M. Hassan Mohi El Din M.	Computer Programmer, Economic Dept Financial Dept. Staff Financial Dept. Staff	Diploma, Statisatics BSc. Accounting BSc., Accounting
Atta Almannan Abdel Fatah Saliheen	Administration Dept. Staff	LL.B.
Awatif Yousif Mohamed		B.Sc. Commerce.
Hassan M. Salih Mohamed A. A/Moniem	Financial Dept. Staff	BSc. Economics BSc. Commerce
Ihab A. Mahmoud	Documentation &	
	Information Dept., Staff	BSc Agriculture
Khalafalla M. Rahama	Documentation & Information Dept., Staff	BSc. Agriculture
Mona A/ Rahman (MS)		BSc. Agriculture BSc. Commerce
Ramiz Fakhri	Head Computer Unit	BSc. Commerce BSc. Computer Science
Awad M. Alı	Hard ware Engineer	Diploma,
		Electronics

Studies

REGIONAL STUDIES

The scope of AOAD studies is designed to cover three levels:

- Regional level;
- Semi-regional (Joint) level:
- Country level.

In what follows is a comprehensive list of those activities at the regional, semi-regional, and country levels conducted by AOAD during 1975-1990.

1.	Arab Agricultural Resources	(1975)
2.	Agricultural Production in the Arab World	(1975)



3.	Projections of Agricultural Production and inputs in the	
	Arab countries (1980-1985)	(1975)
4.	Demand Estimates of Agricultural Food Commodities in the	
	Arab Countries	(1975)
5.	Foreign Trade and Exchange Impediments of Agricultural	
	Commodities in Arab Countries and means of Activation	(1975)
6.	Fish Resources in the Arab World	(1975)
7.	Main Trends in the Arab Production Policy	(1975)
8.	Production, Marketing and Packing of Agricultural	
	Products with Special Reference to Vegetables in the	
	Arab Countries	(1975)
9.	A Comprehensive Survey on utilization of Machinery for	
	Agricultural Development in the Arab Countries	(1975)
10.	Methods for Agricultural Development and Export of	
	Citrus Fruits in the Arab Countries	(1975)
11.	Development of Production and Export of Medicinal	
	Aromatic, and Ornamental Plants and Flowers in the	
	Arab Countries	(1975)
12.	A Comprehensive Survey of Agricultural Extension in the	
	Arab Countries	(1975)
13.	Report on Evaluation and Improvement of the Arab	
	Forestry Institute, Lattakia, Syria	(1975)
14.	Food Economics in the Arab Countries, 3 Vols.	(1976)
	Vol. 1: Production - Vol. 2: Consumption - Vol. 3: Foreign	Trade
15.	Agroclimatic Study in the Arab Countries (Phase I)	

16.	(Study and Atlas) Agroclimatic Study in the Arab Countries (Phase II)	(1976) (1977)
17.	(Study and Atlas) Agroclimatic Study in the Arab Countries (Phase III) (Study and Atlas)	(1978)
18.	Appraisal of Agricultural Extension Programmes in the Arab Countries and Relationship with Agricultural Research	
	(Phase I) (Syria, Jordan, Iraq, Saudi Arabia, Oman, Libya)	(1978)



19.	Study of Adequacy of Arab investment funds in financing	
20.	agricultural development projects in the Arab Countries The Future of Food Economics in the Arab Countries	(1978)
20.	(1975-2000) (3 Vols.)	(1979)
	Vol. I Production - Vol. II Consumption - Vol. III Foreign Tra-	de
21.	The market for livestock and meat in the Arabian Peninsula	
	and the role of supplies from neighbouring African Surplus	(1070)
22.	regions (jointly with FAO)	(1979)
22.	Grain marketing and storage in some countries of the near East Region (jointly with FAO).	(1979)
23.	Development of Veterinary Quarantine Services in some	(1373)
	Arab Countries, Jordan, U.A.E., Bahrain, Syria, Iraq, Qatar,	
	Kuwait and N. Yemen	(1979)
24.	A study of camels in the Arab states (Phase I): present	
	status and means for development	(1980)
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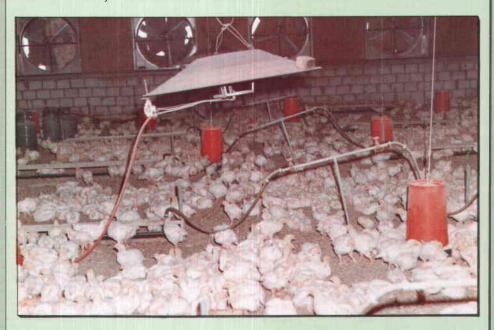


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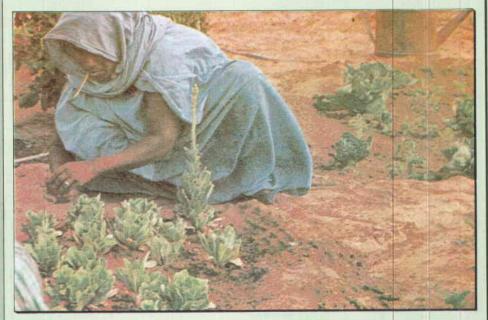


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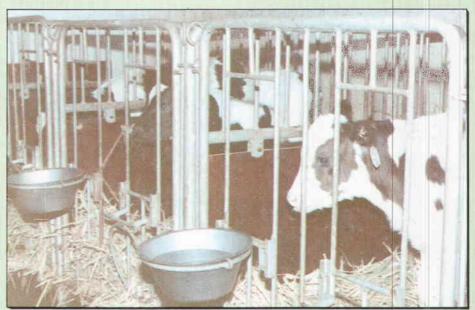
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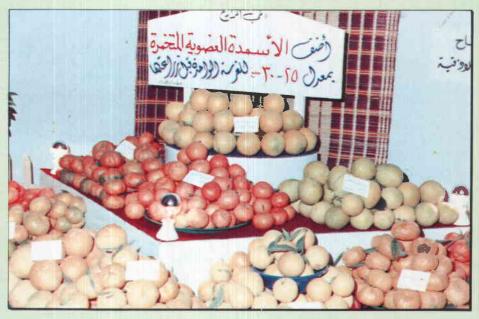
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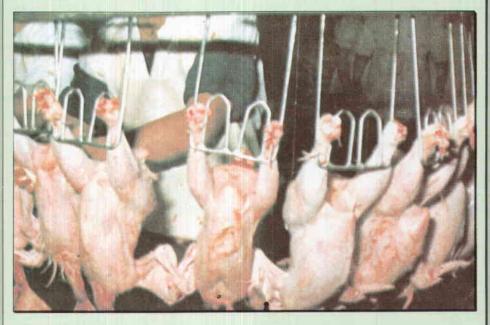
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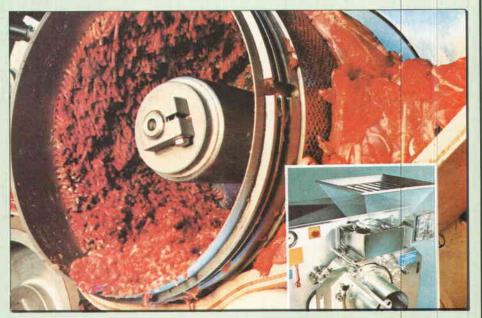


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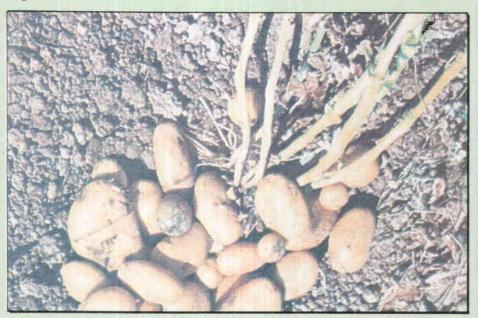
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	sector Jordan,	(1986)
65.	Training course on Husbandry and Breeding of poultry,	
	Holland	(1986)
66.	Training course on Operation and Maintenance of Farm	

	Machinery, Yemen A. R.	(1986)
67.	Symposium on Agricultural Cooperation and Integration in Arab Countries Jordan	(1986)
68.	First Arab Conference on Animal and poultry production, Morocco	(1987)
69.	Symposium on Marketing of food and Agricultural products, Jordan	(1987)
70.	Symposium on production of Viral and Bacterial Disease-Free Fruit Seedlings, Jordan	(1987)



71.	Training course on Cow Breeding and Husbandry, Holland	(1987)
72.	Training course on plant Viral Diseases, Jordan	(1987)
73	Training course on forestry Conservation and Forest Fire Control Syria	(1987)
74.	First Training course on propagation and Care of Gum Arabic Tree. Sudan	(1987)
75.	Training course on preparation of Agricultural projects, Morocco	(1987)
76.	Training course on Management, of Implementation, Monitoring and Evaluation of Agricultural projects Tunisia	(1987)
77.	Senior Policy seminar on Agricultural Adjustment in Arab States. Kuwait	(1988)
78.	Structural Adjustment Seminar on Agricultural policies Syria	(1988)
79.	Training course on Implementation and Evaluation of Agricultural Development project, Morocco	(1988)
80.	Training course on Management, Execution and Evaluation of Agricultural Development project, Tunisia	(1988)
81.	Symposium on propagation and care of Date Palm Tree	
	United A. Emirates,	(1988)
82. 83.	Symposium on the Breeding of the Arabian Horse, Algeria, Training course on Management of Farm Machinery and	(1988)
84.	Agricultural Implements, Iraq, Training course on Recent Training in Raising the Nutritive	(1988)
04.	of Feedstuffs in Animal Nutrition, Syria	(1988)

85.	Training course on Designing and Evaluation of Irrigation	
	Systems, U.A. Emirates	(1988)
86.	Training course on Tissue Culture for production of Disease	
	- Free Date palm Offshoots and Identification of date palm	
	Disease and its prevention, Morocco	(1988)
87.	Second Training course on propagation and care of Gum	
	Arabic Tree Sudan,	(1988)
88.	Third Training course on Propagation and care of Gum Arabic	0
	Tree, Mauritani, a	(1988)
89.	Fourth Training course on Propagation and care of Gum	
	Arabic Mauritania	(1988)
90.	Training course on Desert Locusts in Arab Countries Sudan,	(1989)
91.	Training course on post harvest for Horticulture, Egypt	(1989)
92.	Workshop on Rural credit Morocco	(1989)
93.	Symposium on Agricultural prices policies, Sudan	(1989)
94.	Training course on propagation of Fruit and Grape Seedlings	
	Algeria	(1989)
95.	Training course on the Modern Methods for Bee-Keeping,	
	Syria	(1989)
96.	Symposium on Camel Breeding and Diseases, Algeria	(1990)
97.	National Symposium on Agricultural policie s, Syria	(1990)
98.	Training course on poultry Diseases, Jordan	(1990)
99.	Coordinating Symposium of the Directors of the Arab	
	Agricultural Documentation and Information, Centres Sudan	(1990)
100.		
	statistics for Middle cadre Technicians, Sudan	(1990)
101.	Second Training course on Agricultural Census and	
	statistics for Middle Technicians Sudan	(1990)
102.	Training course on Agricultural census Techniques for	
	Supervisors and Enumerators, Sudan	(1990)

Implementation of Agricultural Project

To enhance the transfer and application of modern agricultural technologies. AOAD carries out some pilot agricultural projects particularly in Arab countries in lesser scale of agricultural development. The majority of these projects is financed, monitored and by the Organization staff drawn heavily from Arab Countries.

List of projects and their locations includes:

- Vegetable, fruit and wood trees nurseries, Yemen
- Potato seds production and seeds propagation, Yemen
- Establishment of modern bee hives, Yemen and Djibouti
- Establishment of a botanical garden, Bahrain
- Establishment of animal feed mill, Morocco
- Establishment of an Agric. Statistics Dept., Mauritania.
- Agricultural intensification and utilization of fallow, Syria
- Samid dairy project, in collaboration with State of Palestine.
- Vegetable production improvement, Djibouti
- Horticultural crops improvement project, Sudan.
- Supporting fodder production unit, Somalia
- Improvement of potato cultivation and production, Somalia
- Breeding of small farm animals, Algeria.

In addition to these efforts, AOAD supervises the execution of some country and semi-regional levels. These developmental projects at both projects are fully or partially financed by international, regional and national Technical Assistance

AOAD Information and Documentation Systems development institutions. Examples of some of these projects include:

- Topographic survey of farms and cultivable land in Qatar,
- Oil seed production development in Sudan, Somalia and Yemen (North and South). A project fully financed by UNDP.
- Rehabilitation of Statistical Information System in Sudan. A project financed mainly by AFESD and partially by AOAD, with FAO providing technical support.
- Strengthening National Research Centres in Arab region. A project jointly financed by UNDP, ISNAR and AOAD.

The Organization provides immediate technical aid to deal with emergency situations as in case of spread of epidemics, natural disasters etc., that may hamper the process of regional agricultural development. To fulfill These objectives, the Organization has initiated its technical assistance programme which is composed of two major components

1. Immediate technical assistance:

This type of technical assistance is rendered in response to urgent request by member states to avert the detrimental impact of unforeseen circumstances. Technical assistance is provided in the form of technical expertise, and supply of relief materials such as medicines, vaccines etc...

2. Ordinary technical assistance:

It is rendered on direct request by member states. It comes in the form of production inputs, short-term technical expertise and financing country missions to get acquainted with recent innovations in agricultural development.

Usually AOAD receives many requests for technical assistance. However, priority is always given to Arab member states that are in dire need and face serious problems in the path of their agricultural development.

The decade of 1980 heralded AOAD efforts to emphasise the role of information and documentation in the process of agricultural development, As a result, the Arab Centre for Agricultural Documentation and Information (ACADI) was established in 1983. In its endeavour to collect information and documents, the Centre has managed to set up a wide-ranging network of cooperation with international regional and national institutions.

The library currently contains 40000 publications, 7000 documents on microfiche, and receives about 1000 periodicals annually. The average annual number of acquisitions is about 3000 documentary items. The Centre stores information electronically on hard discs, tapes and floppy discs. The informations stored on hard discs and tapes comprise about 500 million letters including bibliographical and other details. The amount of information stored on floppy discs is about 1000 million letters of bibliographical details. The main elements of the non-bibliographic data-base, include a list of Arab agricultural expertise, the Arab agricultural dictionary in three languages and administrative details about AOAD.

The present bibliographic data-base contains not only information on the publication and micro-fiche items in the library, but also Arab and international academic research on agriculture stored in international information systems in the field of agricultural technology since 1975. In addition, the bibliographic base contains data on Arab periodicals, agricultural extension in the Arab world, and FAO publications. About 2 million references are now stored in the Centre's database.

The Centre provides services to a wide range of institutions and individuals

Cooperation with Arab, Regional and International Organizations including planners, decision makers, and researchers. The number of those using the service exceeds 2000 per year.

Since its establishment, the Organization has worked towards strengthening relations with specialized organizations and agencies at the regional and international levels. Planned programs have been initiated to conduct joint studies, seminars and allow for the exchange of technical expertise and scientific documents.

List of collaborative Arab Organizations includes:

- 1 League of Arab States (LAS) Cairo
- 2 Council of Arab Economic Unity (CAEU) Cairo
- 3 Arab Fund for Economic and Social Development (AFESD) Kuwait
- 4 Arab Bank for Economic Development in Africa (BADEA) Sudan
- 5 Arab Centre for Study of Arid Zones and Dry Lands (ACSAD) Syria
- 6 Arab Authority for Agricultural Investment and Development (AAAID) Sudan
- 7 Arab Company for Development of Animal Resources (ACDAR) Syria
- 8 Arab Fisheries Company (AFC) Jeddah
- 9 Arab Investment Company (AIC) Riyadh
- 10 Inter-Arab Investment Guarantee Corporation (IAIGC) Kuwait
- 11 Arab Industrial Development and Mining Organization (AIDMO)
- 12 Arab Labour Organization (ALO) Cairo
- 13 Arab League Educational, Cultural and Scientific Organization (ALECSO) Tunisia
- 14 Arab Organization for Standarlization and Meteorology (ASMO) Amman
- 15 Arab Organization for Administrative Sciences (AOAS) Amman
- 16 Arab Institute for Economic and Social Planning (ALESP) Kuwait
- 17 Arab Institute for Training and Statistical Research (AITSR)
- 18 Federation of Chambers of Commerce, Industry and Agriculture for Arab Countries CHUCHA Lebanon
- 19 Federation of Arab Scientific Research Councils, (FASRC) Baghdad
- 20 Arab Federation for Food Industries (AFFI)
- 21 Arab Union for Paper Industries and Printing (AUPIP)
- 22 Arab Federation for Chemical Fertilizer Producers (AFCFP) Kuwait
- 23 Arab Federation for Fish Producers
- 24 Arab Federation for Engineering Industries
- 25 Arab Federation for Cooperation
- 26 Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) Riyadh
- 27 Arab Cooperation Council (ACC) Amman

- 28 Maghrib Arab Union (MAU) Morocco
- 29 Organization of Arab Petroleum Exporting Countries (OAPEC) Kuwait

As for international and regional collaborative institutions, the list includes:

- 1 Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations FAO- Rome
- 2 Economic Development Institute (EDI) World Bank (Washington)
- 3 United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)-New York.
- 4 International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) Rome
- 5 Islamic Development Bank (IDB) Jeddah
- 6 Consultative Group on International Agricultural Research (CGIAR) Washington.
 - a. International Maize and Wheat Improvement Center (CIMMYT) Mexico
 - b. International Crops Research Institute for the Semi-Arid Tropics (ICRISAT) India
 - c. International Rice Research Institute (IRR) Philippines
 - d. International Center for Agricultural Research in the Dry Areas (ICARDA) Syria
 - e. International Livestock Centre for Africa (ILCA) Ethiopia
- 7 International Service for National Agricultural Research (ISNAR) Netherlands.
- 8 International Irrigation Management Institute (IIMI) Sirelanka
- 9 Economic and Social Commission for western Asia (ESCWA) Iraq
- 10 United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) Geneva
- 11 International Trade Centre (ITC) Geneva
- 12 International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI)
 Washington
- 13 The French Group of Companies of the Regional Administration for Studies and Execution
- 14 International Development Research Centre (IDRC) Canada
- 15 International Centre for Advance Mediteranean Agronomic Studies (ICAMAS), Paris
- 16 United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) Nairobi
- 17 Economic Commission for Africa (ECA) Addis Ababa
- 18 African Development Bank (ADB) Abidjan
- 19 Technical and Scienctific Research Commission for Organization of African nity (TSRCOAU) Lagos
- 20 Near-East- North Africa Regional Agricultural Credit Association (NENARACA) Amman
- 21 Centre for Statistical Research and Studies in Organization for Islamic Conference. (CSRSOICS) Ankara
- 22 Regional Centre for Poultry (RCP) Amman

AOAD also enjoys fruitful working relationships with a number of country institutions that include:

- Emprical Research Centres in Agriculture and Economics
- 2 Colleges and Institutes of Agriculture, Veterinary.

Regular Publications of AOAD

How to obtain AOAD Publications Economics, Commerce and Business Administration

- 3 National Planning Institutes
- 4 Academy for Scientific Research
- 5 Central Bureau of Statistic and Planning
- 6 Arab Monetary Funds
- 7 Agricultural Information and Documentation Centres

Agricultural Statistics Yearbook:

This has been published annually since 1981 It includes data on agricultural resources on a country-to- country basis, crop, livestock, fishery and poultry production in addition to data on foreign trade and total balance of trade, agricultural balance of trade and the food gap. These data are mostly obtained from official sources in Arab states and in some cases estimations made by AOAD or other international organizations are quoted.

Annual Report on Agricultural and Food situation:

AOAD has been publishing this report since 1988. It reflects developments in production, foreign trade, consumption and agricultural investment in addition to pinpointing the obstacles which hinder agricultural development in the Arab region. Efforts to overcome these obstacles at both country and regional level are also dealt with, including programmes and projects and an analysis of agricultural policies.

Agriculture and Development Journal:

This was first published by AOAD as a quarterly journal in 1982. It is concerned with agricultural development in the Arab region and examines the problems involved. It also highlights the activities of AOAD in all fields, in addition to publishing applied research on development. The journal appears in Arabic with an average of 82 pages in full colour. Three thousand copies are printed and it is distributed free in all Arab countries at all levels of Agricultural institutions.

Firstly: Official distribution

- 1 Regional and country level studies, proceedings of workshops, conferences and training courses, Agriculture & Development Journal are freely distributed to governments of Arab states and Arab agricultural research and educational institutions listed by AOAD. There is a fixed quota for each Arab country.
- 2 Studies carried out under contract, reports on technical missions are distributed to the beneficiary Arab governments and the contracting and participating parties in the study. A specified number of copies is supplied according to the requirements of these parties.

Secondly: by purchase

Any Arab or other body has the option to purchase the Organization's publications as follows:

Main regular publications which include:
 regional studies, proceedings of national workshops conferences and training courses. The price of each printed volume including postage is 25 U.S Dollars or its equivalent in a local Arab currency.

The price of one microfiche is 5 U.S Dollars or its equivalent in a local Arab currency.

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These publications may be ordered in the form of microfiches alone at the same rates quoted before.

Agricultural & Development Journal (quarterly)

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Note:

These prices represent the actual cost of producing these publications. Return from sales cover only a negligible part of the Organization's expenditure on these items.

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