جامعة الملك سعود
King Saud University



Prof. Dr. Ali Mohammed Ali Mismali

Acting President, King Saud University

Academic Qualifications

- Ph.D. in Tear Film & Dry Eye
  Cardiff University, United Kingdom
- Academic Leadership Development (ALDP)
  University of British Columbia, Canada
- Bachelor's in Optometry & Vision Sciences
  College of Applied Medical Sciences,
  King Saud University
- Postgrad Cert. in Business Administration
  London Business & Finance School
- Strategic Investment Management
  London Business School

Leadership and Administrative Roles

2025 - Present
Acting President, King Saud University

2025 - 2026
Chairman of the Board, Riyadh Valley Company

2023 - 2025
Secretary of the University's Executive Board Committee

2023 - 2026
Supervisor and Advisor to the Office of the Chairman of the Board of Directors of King Saud University

2020 - Present
Vice President for Planning & Development, King Saud University

2019 – 2020
Strategic Planning Consultant – Human Capability Development Program Saudi Vision 2030

2018 - 2020
Secretary of the University Transformation Steering Committee

2018 – 2020
Supervisor of the Vision Realization Office, King Saud University

2012-2016
Vice Dean for Development & Quality, College of Applied Medical Sciences

2012-2016
Secretary of the Advisory Council & Academic Accreditation Committee, College of Applied Medical Sciences

2012-2016
Secretary of the College Council, College of Applied Medical

2010 - 2013
Head of the Optometry Department, College of Applied Medical Sciences Sciences

Current Board Memberships and Positions

- Chairman of the Board of Directors – Medical City.
- Chairman of the Board of Directors – King Abdullah Institute for Research and Consulting Studies.
- Chairman of the Board of Directors – Entrepreneurship Institute.
- Chairman of the Board of Directors – King Salman Center for the History of the Arabian Peninsula and Its Civilization.
- Chairman of the Board of Directors – National Center for Youth Research.
- Chairman of the Board of Trustees – King Saud University Endowments.
- Member of the Board of Directors – King Saud University.
- Member of the Board of Directors – King Khaled Eye Specialist Hospital.
- Member of the Executive Committee – Board of Directors of King Saud University.
- Board Member – Riyadh Center for Biotechnology (Non-Profit Organization).

Previous Board Memberships and Positions

- Chairman of the Board of Directors – King Saud University Investment Company (2020–2025).
- Chairman of the Nominations and Remuneration Committee – Wadi Al Riyadh Company (2021–2025).
- Member of the Investment Committee – Board of Directors of King Saud University.
- Member of the Board of Directors – Wadi Al Riyadh Company.

Institutional Achievements

Contributions through supervision of:

- Updating the University's 2021 Strategic Plan
- Launching the "Develop Your University" initiative to enhance community engagement
- Leading the project to modernize King Saud University's Strategic Plan
- Developing a strategic plan for spending efficiency and operational savings
- Establishing a Data Management Office to support data-driven decision-making
- Leading the institutional reaccreditation of the university for 2024

Academic and Research Achievements

- 2018 - 2021: Head of the Cornea Research Chair
- Published over 75 peer-reviewed scientific papers
- Reviewer for ISI-indexed journals specializing in ophthalmology and optometry
- 2008: Member of the scientific team for the Ophthalmology Wing at the Royal Conference in London
- 2011 - 2013: Visiting Professor – Contact Lens and Anterior Eye Research Unit (CLAER), Cardiff University.

Awards and Recognitions

- 2011: First Award for Best Research Paper – European Academy of Optometry and Optics' Conference, Prague
- 2014: Fellow of the European Academy of Optometry and Optics
- 2015: Fellow of the American Academy of Optometry and Optics
- 2015: Fellow of the British Contact Lens Association
- 2022: Jazan Award for Excellence & Innovation – Academic Performance