

Luna Shamieh, PhD

International Expert in Public Administration Reform and Strategic Planning

Luna Shamieh is an internationally recognized expert in the fields of public administration reform and development evaluation. With a distinguished academic background, she holds a PhD in International Public Administration from the National University of Public Service in Hungary. Luna's academic credentials are further bolstered by diplomas in Diplomacy and International Security Studies, Development Evaluation, and an MBA, in addition to her foundational education in education and physics. Her multidisciplinary expertise positions her as distinguished expert in security sector reform, strategic policy development, and governance frameworks, especially in conflict and post-conflict settings.

Luna's career spans over 22 years, during which she has worked in a wide range of challenging environments including Afghanistan, Iraq, Yemen, Sudan, Libya, Tunisia, Palestine, and the broader MENA region. She has contributed her expertise in several key roles, providing advisory services, conducting evaluations, and delivering training on good governance, human rights, peacebuilding, and conflict resolution. Luna has worked with a diverse array of international organizations, including the OECD, UNDP, World Bank, and the European Union, as well as governmental bodies and civil society organizations. Her work has had a significant impact on developing national strategies for administrative reform, creating monitoring and evaluation frameworks, and enhancing the capacity of institutions to respond to crises and foster resilience.

Luna is renowned for her ability to design and implement training programs that build the leadership, management, and technical skills of local stakeholders. Her expertise in capacity building is further demonstrated through her work in developing curricula and facilitating interactive learning experiences for government officials, civil society leaders, and military personnel. Her proficiency in monitoring and evaluation has been instrumental in designing performance management systems and assessing the effectiveness of development projects, humanitarian initiatives, and peacebuilding programs.

Throughout her career, Luna has demonstrated a deep commitment to improving governance, public administration, and human security in fragile states. She is a member of several prestigious professional organizations, including the Advancing & Evaluating the Societal Impact of Science Network (AESIS) and the Global Association for Humanitarian Open Diplomacy (GAHODA). Luna's work has been critical in supporting governance reforms, developing national strategies for administrative and political development, and strengthening the capacity of local institutions to manage conflict and promote social cohesion. Her ability to navigate complex political and cultural landscapes, combined with her fluency in multiple languages (Arabic, English, French, and Hungarian), allows her to build effective partnerships and drive meaningful change in challenging contexts.