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Summary

With more than 30 years of experience in public health at national and international levels, Dr Asadi-Lari has served his country, Eastern Mediterranean Region and at international levels in serving public health, particularly health systems, non-communicable diseases and health diplomacy in different capacities.

Dr Asadi-Lari graduated from medical school in 1992, and served deprived areas of southern Iran as a medical doctor in a remote rural health centre for two years and then as a junior expert in the National PHC Expansion Centre, where he promoted gradually to senior staff manager within seven years. He pursued his PhD in Epidemiology in the University of Nottingham, UK, then as a post-doctoral fellowship in University of Warwick.

As a professor of epidemiology, he has trained and supervised more than 150 postgraduate students, led several national studies such as Urban HEART, contributed in many national and international research projects and published more than 180 scientific papers, majority of them in prestigious English peer-reviewed journals. Dr Asadi-Lari played an important role in the WHO, Executive Board (2013-15) and at various regional and global levels, built up a strong collaboration with the health sectors of more than 90 countries, and as a member of the Board at the Global Fund since 2015, he is responsible for coordinating regional and international activities to fight HIV/AIDS, Malaria and Tuberculosis.

Personal details:

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Educational background:

- PhD in Cardiovascular Epidemiology and Public Health; The University of Nottingham, July 2000 – March 2004
- Fellowship in Palliative Care, Warwick, UK, Feb 2004-May 2006
- MPH course, Tehran University of Medical Sciences, 1997-1999
- Doctorate in Medicine, University of S Beheshti- Tehran, 1985-1993
- High school diploma, Tehran, 1985

Experience in International Organizations:

- Board Member, The Global Fund (March 2015-2025)
- Member of Executive Board, WHO, HQ, Oct 2013-May 2015
- Acting Minister for International Affairs, MHME, 2013-2022
- Member of Programme Sub-Committee, WHO EMRO, 2017-2020
- Member of (national) UNDAF steering committee (coordination of UN agencies): 2013-2021
- Vice Chair of Executive Board, WHO, HQ, Jan 2014
- Vice Chair of Committee B, World Health Assembly (WHA-67), May 2014
- Vice Chair of Committee B, World Health Assembly (WHA-69), May 2015
- Member of CCM, GF: 2013 onward
- Chair, EMR Constituency Meeting, Khartoum, Sudan (2015), Tehran, 2016, Kish Island (Dec 2017), Tunis (2018),

Professional background:

- Medical practice 1990-2000
- Head of rural health care centre, Southern Iran, 1994-1995
- Expert in rural health care system, Iranian Ministry of Health, 1995-2000
- Financial manager of the Iranian PHC centre, Iranian Ministry of Health, 1996-1998
- Deputy Director General, PHC centre, Iranian Ministry of Health, 1996-1998
- Executive Advisor, Under-Secretary for Public Health, Iranian Ministry of Health, Oct 1998-Jan 2000
- PhD Researcher, Queen's Medical Centre, University of Nottingham: Jan 2000- Aug 2004
- Public Health Assistant, Nottingham City Primary Care Trust (PCT), NHS, Nottingham: Aug 2004- March 2005
- Senior Research Fellow, Warwick Medical School, Coventry, Feb 2005- May 2006
- Assistant Professor in Epidemiology & Public Health, Iran University of Medical School (IUMS), and Tehran University of Medical Sciences; May 2006-June 2011
- Associate Professor, Department of Epidemiology, IUMS; June 2011- Feb 2017
- Professor, Department of Epidemiology, IUMS; March 2017 onward
- Member of Health Studies Committee, Tehran Municipality, 2007-2010
- Head, Oncopathology Research Centre, IUMS, May 2007 onward
- Director of International Office, IUMS, Oct 2008-Oct 2010
- Director of Knowledge Translation and Exchange (KTE) Office, TUMS, 2010- 2013
- Member of national death registration committee, MHME, Jan 2012 onward
- Member of Tehran Health Strategic Council, 2010-2014
- Member of National NCD Secretariat, 2015 onward
- Member of SDH National Committee, 2014 onward
- Principle Coordinator: Afghan Safe Motherhood Project, 2015-2018

Research:

- Published more than 180 scientific papers (mostly in English)
- Authorship and Contribution in 18 books and book chapters
- Supervising more than 40 PhD (mostly in epidemiology), 80 MSc and 20 MPH students
- H Index (Scopus): 30; H Index (Google Scholar): 41

- Principle Investigator of both rounds of Urban HEART Project (2008, 2011), Tehran, equal to 500K CAD
- Obtaining research grants for all PhD students, altogether equal to 150K CAD since 2008.

Teaching:

- Social Epidemiology, PhD and MSc Courses (Since 2009)
- Secondary Studies, Epidemiology of NCDs, SDH, Principles of Epidemiology (MSc Course), since 2006
- Global Health Diplomacy, PhD course, since 2022