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KURDISTAN MEDICAL AND SCIENTIFIC FEDERATION - UK CONFERENCE

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Keynote Speakers:



MR SORAN HAMARASH
Historian, Linguist, and
Documentarist



DR HUSEYIN BEKTASSurgeon, Oncology

SUN 9TH NOVEMBER 2025 9 AM - 8:30 PM

HILTON HOTEL LONDON SYON PARK PARK ROAD, ISLEWORTH TW8 8JF

REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Students £10 *FREE*
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Non-Members £40

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CONFERENCE WELCOME LETTER

Date: 9 November 2025

Venue: Hilton London Syon Park Hotel



To Our Distinguished Colleagues and Honourable Guests,

On behalf of the Kurdistan Medical and Scientific Federation (KMSF), it is with the greatest respect and sincere appreciation that we welcome you to the conference entitled "Supporting Our Nation and Promoting Our Identity", convened on Sunday, 9 November 2025, from 9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

This conference represents not merely a professional engagement, but a significant forum for the advancement of knowledge, the strengthening of national values, and the preservation of our shared identity. It is our intention that this gathering serves as a platform for rigorous intellectual exchange, meaningful collaboration, and the celebration of our collective achievements.

The program has been carefully structured in two principal components:

- Scientific and Medical Sessions enabling robust interdisciplinary dialogue, research exchange, and professional development across critical fields.
- Cultural Exhibition reflecting the richness of our shared heritage, accomplishments, and the enduring values that unite us.

Your participation lends this conference its true value. It is through your insights, contributions, and commitment that we may advance our mission, foster enduring partnerships, and ensure a legacy that honours both our profession and our identity.

We extend our profound gratitude for your presence, and we look forward to a day marked by constructive dialogue, professional excellence, and shared vision.

With the highest professional regard,

Mrs Tara Tofec

Secretary, Kurdistan Medical and Scientific Federation

Dr. Hiro Khoshnaw

Chair, Kurdistan Medical and Scientific Federation

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The Kurdistan Regional Government (KRG) is the autonomous governing body of the Kurdistan Region in northern Iraq, responsible for managing key sectors such as health, education, infrastructure, and economic development. Its sponsorship of this event reflects its strong commitment to strengthening healthcare services and advancing scientific capacity in the region. By supporting this event, the KRG is reinforcing its role in fostering innovation, improving healthcare delivery, and building professional networks that contribute to the long-term wellbeing and development of the Kurdish people.

Kurdistan Chronicle is a non-partisan monthly magazine in English, published in the Kurdistan Region of Iraq. Kurdistan Chronicle provides timely and informative coverage of news, politics, culture, history, business, and more. The content found within Kurdistan Chronicle covers topics from politics, culture, economics and more. It features interviews with prominent figures in Kurdish society along with opinion pieces written by local and international writers and journalists who provide valuable insight into issues affecting everyday life throughout the region.





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WHAT IS THE KURDSITAN MEDICAL AND SCIENTIFIC FEDERATION?



The Kurdistan Medical and Scientific Federation is the voice for Kurdish doctors, healthcare professionals, academics, scientists, and postgraduate certificate holders residing outside of Kurdistan. Our mission is to promote cooperation, unity, and excellence among our members while advancing healthcare standards and scientific research in the Kurdistan Region.

Through networking, support, and collaborative initiatives, KMSF provides valuable resources and opportunities to our members. We organise conferences, seminars, and research projects, fostering knowledge exchange and career development. Join us in our mission to make a positive impact.

Since 1988, the Kurdish medical and scientific professionals in the UK have provided continuous support to the institutions of higher education in Kurdistan, and have played an important role in promoting Kurdish human rights. In recent years, and following the expansion of the number of universities in Kurdistan and also the increasing number of Kurdish doctors and academics in the UK, the Kurdish professional organisations felt the need to get together in order to enhance their productivity and to make their efforts more unified and highly efficient. Its objectives are to:

- 1. Promote communication between member organisations;
- 2. Safeguard and promote the academic and practical skills for all the members of the federation;
- 3.Establish and promote active links between the Federation and healthcare and academic institutions in Kurdistan Region;
- 4. Promote cooperation and unity between member organizations;
- 5. Promote scientific and educational goals for the Kurdistan Region through active collaboration between experienced members of the federation and relevant institutions in Kurdistan;
- 6.Promote and advocate for the highest standards of services that could found outside Kurdistan for adoption after.

We would be delighted to keep in touch through our various media outlets:





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Secretary: Taban Hawezy Data Analyst

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Araz Agha Architect, Academic & Researcher

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KMSF Annual Conference: Supporting Our Nation, Promoting Our Identity

Sunday 9th November 2025 Hilton London Syon Park Hotel, Isleworth, TW8 8JF

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| Programme: | |
| 9.00 - 9.45 | Registration |
| 9.45 - 9.50 | Welcome and Introduction: Dr Sayah Saied, Chair of Kurdistan Scientific Association (KSA) |
| 9.50 - 10.00 | Opening Remarks: Mr Karwan Jamal Tahir , Kurdistan Regional GovernmentHigh Representative to the United Kingdom |
| 10.00 - 11.00 | First Session: Bridging Borders: Leveraging UK-Based Kurdish Medical Expertise for Healthcare Advancement in Kurdistan |
| | Chair: Mr Zhyar Said, Chair of Kurdish Medical Association (KuMA) |
| 10.00 – 10.15 | Professor Deiary Kader, Consultant Orthopaedic Surgeon |
| 10.15 – 10.30 | Dr Chinar Osman, Consultant Neurologist |
| 10.30 – 10.45 | Dr Goran Ali, Consultant in Emergency Medicine |
| 10.45 – 11.00 | Questions and Answers |
| 11.00 – 11.30 | Coffee, Contacts & Conversations |
| 11.30 – 12.30 | Second Session Brain Gain: Tapping into the Kurdish Academic Diaspora |
| | Chair: Dr Tahir Hassan , Member of KSA Executive Committee |
| 11.30 – 11.45 | Dr Bawar Jalal, Technology Consultant |
| 11.45 – 12.00 | Mrs Mamilan Hussein, Senior Lecturer in Business Management, |
| 12.00 - 12.15 | Dr Aras Asaad, Machine Learning Scientist |
| 12.15 - 12.30 | Questions and Answers |
| 12.30 - 13.00 | Keynote Lecture: Introduction by Dr Hiro Khoshnaw, Chair of KMSF |
| | Crossing boundaries using professional platforms: Dr Huseyin Bektas |
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| 13.00 – 14.00 | Lunch Break |
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| 14.00 – 15.00 | Third Session: Between Two Systems: Stories of Adaptation and Resilience |
| | Chair: Mr Bayad Omar, KSA Executive Committee Member |
| 14.00 - 14.15 | Dr Zhinya Hadi, Resident Doctor |
| 14.15 - 14.30 | Dr Yad Zana Omar, Internal Medicine Trainee |
| 14.30 - 14.45 | Mrs Beghal Rasool, Bridge/Structure Design Engineer (TBC) |
| 14.45 - 15.00 | Questions and Answers |
| 15.00 - 16.00 | Fourth Session: Medical Law and Ethics in Unequal Systems |
| | Chair: Dr Sanaria Raouf , Senior Consultant Obstetrician |
| 15.00 - 15.15 | Mr Goran Ahmed, General and Oncoplastic Breast Surgeon |
| 15.15 - 15.30 | Miss Yar Ameen, Senior Paralegal |
| 15.30 - 15.45 | Dr Salahaddin Ubaid, Consultant Interventional Cardiologist |
| 15.45 - 16.00 | Questions and Answers |
| 16.00 - 16.30 | Coffee, Contacts & Conversations |
| 16.30 - 17.30 | Fifth Session: Kurdish History |
| | Chair: Mr Hama Attar, Consultant Urological Surgeon |
| 16.30 - 17.00 | Beyond Distortion and Erasure; Who are the Kurds? Mr Soran Hamarash |
| 17.00 - 17.30 | KMSF Recognition Award |
| 17.30 - 18.00 | Networking |
| 18.00 - 19.30 | The Rise of Kurdish Medical and Academic Talent! |
| | Presenter: Dr Rangeen Ibrahim |
| 18.00 - 18.15 | Kurdish poems: Dr Hama Attar |
| 18.15 - 18.30 | Music by Dr Goran Ali and Dr Azad Beck |
| 18.30 - 18.45 | Kurdish songs: The Golden Ladies of Kurdistan |
| 18.45 - 19.30 | Kurdish Dancing (Halparkey Kurdi) |

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Speakers and Chairs' Details and Biographies



DR SAYAH OTHMAN SAIED

Sayah Othman Saied is a highly accomplished physicist who holds an honours degree in Physics from Baghdad University. After teaching in a secondary school in Sulaimaniyah, she joined the Kurdish revolution in 1974, which eventually led her to exile in the UK with her family. While in the UK, she earned both an M.Sc. and a Ph.D. in atomic physics from Aston University in 1981, where she has since held a position.

Dr. Saied is not only involved in teaching but also manages analytical facilities and commercial operations at the university. She serves as a consultant for various industries, including semiconductors and medical devices, and is recognized as one of the UK's leading experts in electron spectroscopy and surface analysis. Her research has resulted in over 100 papers and numerous conference presentations.

In addition to her academic and professional achievements, Dr. Saied has been a director of Midland Surface Analysis Ltd. since 2011, a spin-out company from Aston University. Throughout her career, she has been a supportive figure for students, particularly Kurdish students, and has been actively involved in Kurdish political and social activities in the UK. She has been a dedicated member of the Kurdish Medical Scientific Federation (KMSF) since its inception in 1988.



MR KARWAN JAMAL TAHIR

Mr. Karwan Jamal Tahir was born in the city of Sulaimani and followed in the footsteps of his father by getting involved in the world of politics. Mr. Tahir served as an Adviser to the General Enterprise for Special Projects, at the Kurdistan Regional Government's Council of Ministers, from 2004 to 2007.

Prior to his appointment as the Deputy Minister, for the Department of Foreign Relations from 2009 to 2015, Mr Tahir served as a Senior Adviser, to the Minister of Natural Resources for two years. He played a pivotal role in the Ministry of Natural Resources strategic plans and relations with the IOCs. As well as leading three Management Committees, while participating as a member in many more.

During his tenure as the Deputy Minister, of the Department of Foreign Relations, Mr Tahir promoted the Kurdistan Region's relations with the international community on a political and cultural level, through participating in numerous conferences around the world and engaging with the diplomatic community in Erbil.

On June 2015, Mr. Tahir was appointed as the Kurdistan Regional Government's High Representative to the United Kingdom. He endeavour's to further strengthen bilateral relations between the KRG and the United Kingdom's government, think-tanks, NGOs, educational institutions, with cultural and trade organisations.

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MR ZHYAR SAID

Zhyar Said came to London at the age of 10 months old with his family where he went on to study at Whitgift School, taking a special interest in the school's Corps of Drums, performing for the late Queen. He also learnt how to conduct aerobatic stunts in a propellor plane. Zhyar then went to study a Master of Pharmacy at the University of East Anglia, qualifying as a pharmacist in 2021.

Prior to founding his own company, he worked as a data analyst for a healthcare data company for three years, and then started his role as Senior Lecturer at Kingston University. He still guest-lectures throughout the UK.

Zhyar is most well known for his educational company, RevisePharma, which is the leading educational company for trainee pharmacists, teaching more than half of the new pharmacists each year. He also runs a charity programme, The PharmAssists' Project, which donates to the local area by raising money from educational webinars. Zhyar likes to play padel, tennis, and loves to travel. He is also the chair for KuMA.



PROFESSOR DEIARY KADER

Professor Deiary Kader is a consultant orthopaedic surgeon specialising in knee arthroplasty and sports injuries. He trained in Australia and the UK, later serving at Queen Elizabeth Hospital, Gateshead, and as team doctor for Newcastle United FC. Since 2015 he has worked at the South West London Elective Orthopaedic Centre (SWLEOC), where he is now Director of Research.

He is a Visiting Professor at Northumbria University, has published over 150 scientific papers, co-edited leading orthopaedic textbooks, and plays a key role in postgraduate training.

Beyond clinical practice, Professor Kader is deeply engaged in humanitarian work, founding NGMV Medical Volunteers, working with the ICRC in Lebanon, and supporting war trauma surgery in Iraq. He is a past President of the British Orthopaedic Sports Trauma and Arthroscopy Association and serves on several national surgical boards.



DR CHINAR OSMAN

Dr Chinar Osman MBBS, BSc (Hons), MRCP

A consultant neurologist with a special interest in peripheral nerve disorders at Wessex Neurological Centre since 2019. She completed a post-CCT fellowship in neuromuscular disorders where she established the UK's first Neurology led-outpatient plasma exchange service. Dr. Osman is the lead for the Neurology Immunoglobulin service in the South-East region and a member of the neuromuscular advisory board for the Association of British Neurologists. Dr Osman is involved in national recruitment for neurology trainees and is a member of the Neurology SCE question writing committee.

Dr Osman is actively involved in various multi-centre international clinical trials and research.

She is a trustee of a charity organisation KR-UK-IMPAKT to improve mental health provision in KRI.

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DR GORAN ALI

Dr. Goran Ali is a Consultant in Emergency Medicine with more than two decades of clinical experience across London and Kent. He currently serves at Whipps Cross Hospital, part of Barts Health NHS Trust, where he has been a Consultant since 2018. His career includes senior roles as a Locum Consultant, Associate Specialist at Darent Valley Hospital, and Emergency Department Registrar across multiple East London trusts.

Dr. Ali graduated in Medicine from the University of Sulaimani in 2002, later completing PLAB I & II in London. He went on to achieve membership of the Royal College of Emergency Medicine (MRCEM) in 2015 and successfully completed the FRCEM examinations in 2020–2021. In addition to his clinical expertise, he has trained in medico-legal report writing through Bond Solon's accredited "Excellence in Report Writing" programme.

Recognised as an accredited expert witness on the UK Register of Expert Witnesses, Dr. Ali provides CPR Part 35-compliant medico-legal reports, with a reputation for timely delivery and balanced instruction ratios between claimant and defendant cases. His core areas of practice include adult emergency medicine, trauma management, acute diagnostics, resuscitation, governance, and critical incident triage.



DR TAHIR HASSAN

Dr. Tahir Hassan is a Visiting Researcher in Fairness-Aware AI at the Centre for Vision, Speech and Signal Processing (CVSSP), University of Surrey, and an Executive Committee member of the Kurdistan Scientific Association (KSA). Holding a Ph.D. in Computing and an M.Sc. in Mathematics and Computation, his expertise lies in the development of trustworthy and equitable AI systems for high-stakes healthcare applications.

He led large-scale data preparation and preprocessing for the OPTIMAM Breast Screening Dataset, the UK's largest mammography dataset. He also developed fairness-aware knowledge distillation frameworks (FairDi) to reduce AI performance disparities across diverse patient populations. His collaborative work with NHS partners and industry focuses on translating advanced research into reproducible, real-world tools.

At the KMSF 2025 conference, Dr. Hassan will serve as the Chair for the "Brain Gain: Tapping into the Kurdish Academic Diaspora" session, where he will facilitate discussions on leveraging UK-based expertise to address Kurdistan's needs through skills transfer and joint projects.



DR BAWAR JALAL

Dr Bawar Jalal holds a BSc in Electronic and Computer Engineering and a PhD in Electrical and Electronic Engineering, both from the University of Nottingham, awarded in 2018 and 2023 respectively. His academic research focused on computational modelling techniques for power electronics, with the goal of enabling faster, more intuitive design tools for the engineers of the future.

Bawar is currently a Technology Consultant at Capco, working to advise clients in the financial services and energy sectors on how to use technology to transform their businesses.

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MRS MAMILAN HUSSEIN

Mamilan Hussein is a Senior Lecturer in Business Management at the University of West London, with extensive experience in project management, leadership, and sustainable development. She is also the Director of Sustainable Development for Developing Countries (SDDC) — an organisation committed to advancing sustainability through expertly designed training programmes for future leaders, managers, and innovators across developing nations.

Mamilan led the first UK-based entrepreneurship workshop for Kurdish women, funded by a UK public university, marking a significant step toward empowering underrepresented communities. She is actively involved in advocating for greater immigrant participation in the UK economy, working to ensure inclusive access to economic opportunities and leadership pathways. Her work is grounded in a strong commitment to equity, innovation, and sustainable growth across international and local communities.



DR ARAS ASAAD

Aras Asaad (BSc Koya, MSc and PhD buckingham Uni) is currently working as Machine Learning scientist in Oxford Drug Design at Oxford innovation centre in Oxford.

He is also an honorary research fellow at the university of Buckingham, UK. He is researching on many topics including AI and Machine learning, Drug discovery and antibiotics, topological data analysis, Medical Image analysis, DeepFake image and video detection.

He is supervising PhD and MSc students in Oxford University, Durham University, Buckingham University and Koya University. He received many awards among them is best paper award by IWDW conference in Magdeburg, Germany and Springer award in 2017. The award for best paper by London Mathematical Society in 2019, and finally, one of his papers ranked 2nd among 42 thousand papers ranked by Kscien organisation in Iraq/Kurdistan.

He is also a CEO and cofounder of DAAR AI, an AI startup company in UK which focuses on building IT infrastructure in health sector and software development.



DR HIRO KHOSHNAW

Dr Hiro Khoshnaw, MD, MA, FRCP

Consultant Physician and Geriatrician, and Director of Medical Education, Royal Surrey NHS Foundation Trust

Chair of KMSF Board

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DR HUSEYIN BEKTAS

Dr Huseyin Bektas is one of the well-recognized surgeons of Germany specifically known for his interest and success in oncological related surgeries. Dr Huseyin was born in Turkey in 1961 in Bingol province.

After completing his schooling he transferred to Germany where he completed his medical education and continued with his profession. Dr Huseyin Bektas is currently part of one of the biggest medical networks of Germany, Bremen-Mitte clinics. He is the clinic director of the general, visceral, and oncological surgery center there.

Under his direction, the department has performed a large number of successful surgeries. Dr Huseyin has is specific interest in liver tumor removal surgery, gastrointestinal tumor treatment, pancreatic cancer treatment, and its transplant, colorectal cancer, and other general surgeries.



MR BAYAD OMAR

Bayad Omar is a Technology Consultant at Oracle. The role involves supporting hospitals around the UK and Europe with their digital transformation projects. He holds a Masters degree in Medical Engineering from Cardiff University.

Bayad is currently a member of the Kurdistan Scientific Association Executive Committee. His hobbies include learning languages, playing football and the Daf.



DR ZHINYA HADI

Dr Zhinya Hadi was raised between the mountains of Ababayle and Sulaymaniyah (Kurdistan), where she developed a love for hiking and martial arts. Now in the UK, she enjoys horse riding alongside her medical career.

She is a Neurology Registrar at Imperial College Healthcare NHS Trust with experience in Neurology and Stroke medicine. She holds a Master's degree in Clinical Neuroscience from University College London and has a strong interest in neuroimaging and its clinical applications.

Dr Hadi is committed to advancing neuroscience while maintaining a deep connection to her Kurdish heritage and culture.

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DR YAD ZANA OMAR

Dr Yad Zana Omer MbChB, MRCP (UK) Internal Medicine Resident

University of Sulaimani - College of Medicine (Class of 2019).

Clinical Fellow of Medicine at George Eliot Hospital (2022-2023).

Internal Medicine Training (2023-Present) - Currently working as (IMT3) Medical Registrar.



MRS BEGHAL RASOOL

Beghal Rasool is a civil engineer with over 8 years of professional experience, specialising in bridge design and structural engineering. Originally from Kurdistan, she moved to the UK in 2007 and later pursued higher education, earning a BEng in Civil Engineering with First Class Honours, followed by a Master's degree in Structural Engineering.

She began her career with Kier Group before joining Amey Consulting, where she currently works as a Bridge Engineer (Designer), contributing to major infrastructure and transport projects. Beghal's expertise lies in bridge design, assessment, and innovative engineering solutions that support sustainable development.

Passionate about engineering excellence and community engagement, she is committed to inspiring young professionals and promoting the role of women in engineering.



DR SANARIA RAOUF

Dr Sanaria. A. Raouf MBChB, MRCOG, FRCOG

Senior Consultant in Obstetrics and Fetal Medicine University Hospitals of Derby and Burton NHS Foundation Trust.UK

Has 24 years experience of NHS in UK and 16 years as a consultant and specialist in Fetal medicine and prenatal invasive and noninvasive diagnosis National UK Maternity Units Marvel Awardee 2025- for providing outstanding care through complications in pregnancy.

Former Clinical Director for Obstetrics in the 5th largest Maternity Unit in the UK.

East Midlands Regional lead for Preterm Birth Prevention and Feal growth Restriction.

Has 30 publications in peer reviewed journals with over 70 citations and is an national and international presenter at BMFMS and ISOUG.

Outside works loves swimming and baking.

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MR GORAN AHMED

Mr Ahmed is a general and oncoplastic breast surgeon. He offers treatment to breast cancer patients in Surrey, East Hampshire and Berkshire. He is trained in all aspects of breast surgery including oncoplastic, reconstructive and cosmetic surgery. Mr Ahmed also offers surgery for melanoma and non-melanoma in collaboration with the dermatology colleagues.

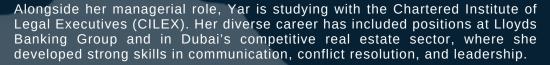
Mr Ahmed has been practising as a General Surgeon since 2017, after which he pursued advanced training and a competitive fellowship to specialise in oncoplastic breast surgery. In 2023, he completed a master's degree in Oncoplastic Breast Surgery with Distinction from the University of East Anglia, further strengthening hus academic and surgical foundation in this field.



MISS YAR AMEEN

Yar Ameen is a Manager at Admiral Law in Cardiff, where she leads a team of trainee paralegals specialising in personal injury claims and negligence. Her role involves mentoring and developing her team while also working closely with medico-legal experts and reviewing complex medical reports prepared by consultants across various fields of medicine. Yar combines her technical expertise with strong leadership and a client-focused approach, ensuring both high standards of case handling and professional growth within her team.

Born in Iraq, Yar moved with her family to Germany at just nine months old, spending her formative years there before relocating to the UK. She began her secondary education in Cardiff and went on to complete a BSc in Pharmaceutical Sciences at the University of Greenwich, where she also served as an Outreach Ambassador and led a children's language group.



Outside of law, Yar enjoys running half marathons, contributing to community initiatives, and has recently taken up Muay Thai and Boxing.



DR SALAHADDIN UBAID

Dr Salahaddin Ubaid is a UK trained consultant interventional Cardiologist working at Cheltenham General and Gloucester Royal hospitals. Additionally, he holds the position of Honorary Clinical Lecturer and Clinical Tutor with the University of Bristol.

Dr Ubaid graduated in 2001. He obtained Membership of the Royal College of Physicians (MRCP) in 2007. Dr Ubaid was awarded the Certificate of Excellence in Interventional Cardiology Training from the European Association of Percutaneous Cardiovascular Interventions (EAPCI) Paris, France. He is fully accredited by the British Society of Echocardiography in transthoracic and transesophageal echocardiography.

Dr Ubaid was the first cardiologist world-wide to conduct novel research comparing the effectiveness of a new antiplatelet drug in patients presenting with heart attack. In February 2020, he was awarded a Doctor of Medicine (MD) degree from the University of Birmingham for his novel research work. He was the runner up for the Young Investigator Award from the British Cardiovascular Intervention Society (BCIS) in 2017.

Dr Ubaid is very keen on medical education. He currently holds the position of Honorary Clinical Lecturer and Clinical Tutor with the University of Bristol. He was awarded a Certificate of "Excellent Cardiology Teaching" from the University of Birmingham, whilst working as a cardiology research and educational fellow.

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MR HAMA ATTAR

Dr Hama Attar is a Consultant Urological Surgeon and Head of Urology Department at Chelsea and Westminster Hospital in Central London. He holds Masters degree in Urology from University College London. He is a Fellow of the Royal College of Surgeons of England and a Fellow of the European Board of Urology.

He has published over 40 articles in Urology and presented in various national and international conferences. He is the Training Lead and Examiner for Imperial Medical School. His dedication to both clinical excellence and academic contribution underscores his commitment to advancing the field of urology. He enjoys studying languages, playing guitar and reading Kurdish literature.



MR SORAN HAMARASH

Soran Hamarash is a historian and linguist focused on the complex history of the Kurdish people. Over several decades, his research has been presented in two books and numerous articles that aim to contribute to the field of Kurdish studies. In addition to his writing, he is a dedicated documentarist, having produced over 40 films covering diverse aspects of Kurdish culture and history.

Hamarash's work is enhanced by his expertise in ancient languages, including Sumerian, and a deep understanding of the Middle East's religious landscape. This skill set allows him to interpret historical records with a critical lens, unearthing connections that might otherwise remain hidden.

In his book, The Lost and Untold History of the Kurds, Hamarash challenges traditional narratives and calls for a reevaluation of the Kurdish role in antiquity. He argues that ideological and political biases have led to selective readings of history, obscuring a more accurate understanding of the region's past. Since its publication, the book's research has been presented in nearly 40 seminars worldwide, prompting renewed discussion on the topic.

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