



Ahmed Abdirahman

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President Obama Leader

European David Rockefeller Fellows of the Trilateral Commission

Nordic Migrant Expert at the Nordic Council of Ministers

Ahmed Abdirahman is founder and CEO of **The Global Village Foundation**. The foundation strives to enable and work for all people to be included in social, economic, and political life. Among the programs of foundation is Järva Politician Week, (**Järvaveckan**) which gathers stakeholders from civil society, business, government, and political leaders to address current and future challenges facing Sweden, especially inclusion of immigrants and their children. The event is annual and had over 50 000 participants in 2019. Abdirahman was policy expert on social sustainability at the **Stockholm Chamber of Commerce**. Prior to this Abdirahman worked at the **U.S. Embassy in Stockholm** and at **Interpeace**, an international peace-building organization based in Geneva.

Through a Courtney Ross scholarship, Abdirahman holds a bachelor's degree in International Studies from Marymount Manhattan College, NY. He is also graduate of Hög Röst Politikerskola, Sweden's first and only politically independent politicians' school and from Tandem Leadership program. Abdirahman is an alumnus of the 'Future Leaders Invitation Programme' (programme d'invitation des personnalités d'avenir) held by the French Ministry of Foreign Affairs. In 2020, Abdirahman was selected as a President Obama Leader. In 2021 Abdirahman was selected to the Nordic Migrant Expert Forum of the Nordic Council of Ministers. The forum is linked to the Nordic co-operation programme on the integration of refugees and immigrants and aims to provide a well-founded and diverse knowledge base for Nordic co-operation on integration. Abdirahman hosted 'Summer on P1' (Sommar i P1) on Swedish Radio (July 1st, 2018) where he shared his story and work with over one million Swedes.

A selection awards and honors:

- Honorary Award winner, Raoul Wallenberg Academy, 2021
- 12 Future Leaders of Sweden, 2018 by Chef
- Future Policy Maker of Year, 2018 by makthavare.se
- Award for Outstanding Personal Engagement by UNDP, 2018
- Göran Tunhammar Prize winner 2018
- Opinion Maker of the Year, 2017 by Dagens Opinion
- 150 Super Communicators in Business, 2018 & 2017 by Resumé
- Civic Builders of Year, 2018: Sweden's 101 Super Talents by Veckans Affärer

Board/advisory role:

- Expert advisor, Agenda2030 commission, Stockholm City Hall
- Expert advisor to The Swedish Crown Princess Couple's Foundation
- Reference member, Stockholm Region's Security Commission
- Advisory board, Digital@ldag, Forum för Omställning
- Advisor, Swedish School of Governance
- Senior advisor, Global Utmaning (Global Challenge)