



Arafat Al Yafei

Chief Executive Officer, LAHAB



Arafat Al Yafei is the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of LAHAB.

His responsibilities include manufacturing oversight of all ranges of ammunition from Small Arm and Infantry to Artillery and Aircraft. He is also responsible for leading the deployment of cutting-edge technologies and the enhancement of in-country manufacturing capabilities.

Arafat Al Yafei possesses extensive experience in the deployment, development and distribution of ammunition to fulfil the demands of the UAE Armed Forces, along with regional partners.

Prior to joining LAHAB, formerly known as Barij Munitions, Arafat served as the Chief Executive Officer of Abu Dhabi Carbon Capture Company, a joint venture between ADNOC and Masdar, where he led the establishment of the first commercial carbon capture and utilisation project in the Middle East. He also worked at Abu Dhabi National Oil Company (ADNOC), where he held several senior positions, including management of Abu Dhabi offshore fields, Research and Development, and Enhanced Oil Recovery Tech.

Arafat Al Yafei holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Mechanical Engineering from UAE University, UAE, along with a Master of Science degree from Institute Francaises du Petrol (IFP), France.