

Profile of candidates contesting for the election of directors 2023

Yutaka Arae – Chairman (Non-Executive)



Designation	Chairman, Agriauto Industries Limited
Education	MBA, University of Suzuoka, Japan,1962-66. MBA, University of Nebraska, USA,1967-69.
Experience	With an illustrious career spanning decades, Mr. Yutaka Arae has left an indelible mark on the automotive sector through his transformative leadership and strategic insights. His journey began at Toyota Tsusho Corporation, Japan, where he played a pivotal role in propelling the company to new heights of success. His visionary approach continued at Indus Motor Co., Ltd., Pakistan, where he led the organization to become a market leader known for innovation and operational excellence. As a director at Agriauto Industries Ltd., Mr. Arae's influence further optimized operations, cementing his reputation as a driving force in the industry. His extensive experience and proven track record have solidified his position as a revered figure in the global automotive landscape, inspiring generations to come.

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Fahim Kapadia (CEO)



Designation	Chief Executive Officer
Education	Certified Public Accountant (CPA). Chartered Accountant (FCA). Bachelor of Science -Accounting. Attended the AVIRA: Awareness, Vision, Imagination, Role, Action program by INSEAD
Experience	<p>Mr. Kapadia is the CEO of the Company since January 2010. He has over 35 years of experience in the field of Finance, General Management and Business Development in Pakistan and abroad.</p> <p>He has been associated with the House of Habib for the last 21 years having served as Chief Financial Officer of Thal Limited and prior to this as General Manager Finance and Deputy Managing Director of Agriauto Industries Limited.</p> <p>He was been serving on the Board of Agriauto Industries Limited since 2002 and a member of the Board of Agriauto Stamping Company (Private) Limited and AuVitronics Limited.</p>

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Hamza Habib



Designation	Non-Executive Director
Education	Bachelor of Science in Business Management, 2005 – 2009
Experience	<p>Hamza Habib was appointed as a Director of Agriauto Industries Limited in October 2018. He is a Vice President at Habib Bank Zurich (Hong Kong) Limited. Prior to his transfer to Hong Kong in 2016, he served as Vice President at Habib Bank AG Zurich in the United Arab Emirates from 2011. From 2009 – 2011 he worked at Standard Chartered Bank in Geneva and London.</p> <p>Hamza Habib graduated from Babson College in Wellesley, Massachusetts (USA) in 2009, with a Bachelor of Science in Business Management.</p>

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Sohail P. Ahmed



Designation	Director
Education	INSEAD, France
Experience	<p>He has been the Chief Executive of Naya Daur Motors and Mack Trucks, under Ministry of Production and of Allwin Engineering, Agriauto Industries Ltd, Thal Limited in the private sector. He is also Chairman of Pakistan Auto Sector Skill Development Company and Vocational Training Centre for Women, Korangi. He is a Director on many Boards in public & private sectors having served on Boards of PIDC, Pakistan Steel etc. He has been a member of the Senate of Dawood College of Engineering & Technology and Syndicate of NED University Karachi.</p> <p>Trade & Professional Bodies Fellow of Institution of Engineers Member of The American Society of Mechanical Engineers President of "Pakistan Association of Automotive Parts & Accessories Manufacturers" (PAAPAM).</p> <p>The Government of Japan has conferred the prestigious decoration, The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon to Mr. Sohail P. Ahmed, in recognition of his dedicated contributions for strengthening economic relations and mutual understanding between Japan and Pakistan.</p>

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Salman Burney



Designation	Non Executive Director
Experience	<p>Mr. Salman Burney joined the Board in August 2017 as a Non-Executive Director. He has also served as the VP/Area GM for GSK Pakistan, Iran and Afghanistan.</p> <p>He began his career with ICI Pakistan in Sales & Marketing within various roles in Pakistan & African / Eastern Region at ICI's Agrochemicals & Seeds Business. He joined the company in 1992, was appointed MD, SmithKline Beecham in 1997 with additional responsibility for Iran and the Caspian Region. He was holding the position of MD for GSK in Pakistan and was responsible for GSK's Pharmaceutical business in Pakistan, Iran & Afghanistan.</p> <p>He has a degree in Economics from Trinity College, University of Cambridge, UK. Mr. Salman Burney has been the President of Pakistan's foreign investors Chamber and as Chairperson of the MNC Pharma Association has led the industry interface with the government on various issues.</p>

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Aqueel Merchant



Designation	Independent Director
Education	FCA – ICAP
Experience	<p>Aqueel Merchant is a professional with a wealth of experience spanning more than 30 years in professional services, mainly consulting, covering Banking and Financial Services, FMCGs, Manufacturing, Development, and Government and Public sector clients in Pakistan, Afghanistan, UK and Middle East. Large projects carried out by him cover Business, IT and HR transformations, Operational Improvements, Governance, Monitoring and Evaluation, Regulatory Compliance, Contract Management and Risk Management. Due to his being the only Senior Partner of EY Ford Rhodes and the founder and Country Leader of the Consulting Business, he is well placed to engage at a strategic level with C-suites and Boards to make a strong contribution to any organization in a leadership capacity.</p>

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Ayesha T. Haq



Designation	Independent Female Director
Education	LLB, LLM, Barrister at Law
Experience	Ayesha T. Haq was appointed as a Director of Agriauto Industries Limited in October 2018. She practised corporate commercial law in the UAE, Pakistan, Philippines and the USA.