# Ali Syed, PMP

# IT Project Manager

Alqusais 1 Damascus St Obaidullah UAE | +971 554351317 | syedaliwadood@hotmail.com | linkedin.com/in/aliwadood

PMP-certified Project Manager with 12+ years of progressive experience delivering mission-critical **data center** and **IT infrastructure** projects across financial, telecom, and public sectors. Known for managing **structured cabling, fiber deployments, ELV works**, and leading **cross-functional coordination** with General Contractors, consultants, and vendors. Strong grasp of technical documentation, compliance standards, and operational procedures for Tier III+ environments. Adept at ensuring quality, timeliness, and cost-efficiency across all project phases.

## Core Competencies-

Project Delivery & Lifecycle Management | Data Center Infrastructure | Structured & Fiber Cabling | ELV Works | GC & Vendor Coordination | Project Submissions & Documentation | IT Room Setup (MDF/IDF) | Server Racking & Network Equipment |
ISO & Compliance Standards | Site Readiness & QA | Change Management | Technical Reporting | Power & AV Installations |
Access Management | Procurement & Licensing | Cross-Team Communication

## Professional Experience-

## Workspace Infrastructure Project Specialist, Geotab Inc.

- Led data center decommissioning and site migrations, managing end-to-end logistics, vendor coordination, and change requests.
- Oversaw installation of structured cabling, rack systems, UPS, and ELV components across 10+ international office and server rooms.
- Coordinated closely with General Contractors (GCs) to ensure compliance with site readiness standards and project timelines.
- Submitted detailed documentation including project trackers, risk logs, cabling diagrams, and handover reports to PMO.
- Directed procurement, asset tracking, and material delivery to avoid project delays and cost overruns.
- Conducted site inspections and QA checks post-installation to ensure alignment with ISO standards and client expectations.

## Data Center Analyst, DXC Technology

- Supported Tier III data centers (CIBC, eHealth Ontario) in delivering infrastructure upgrades, including fiber routing, rack layout, and power systems.
- Created rack elevation diagrams, structured cabling blueprints, and connectivity plans to support system expansion.
- Managed change control processes, hardware installs, and on-site contractor coordination within approved maintenance windows.
- Liaised with client teams and GCs during migration activities to ensure secure access and zero service disruptions.
- Documented site readiness reports, test results, and equipment commissioning logs for each deployment phase.
- Conducted regular DR tests and lifecycle maintenance on active systems to ensure optimal performance and uptime.

## Project Manager Service Delivery, Multinet Pvt Ltd

- Delivered 40+ telecom POPs and 5,000+ km of fiber optic infrastructure, managing vendors, permitting, and inter-city deployment logistics.
- Executed end-to-end installation of structured cabling, ELV systems, and rack-mounted equipment in enterprise data rooms.
- Coordinated with local authorities and General Contractors for project approvals, NOCs, and compliance sign-offs.
- Submitted technical project plans, daily progress updates, and post-implementation documentation to internal and client stakeholders.
- Supervised resource teams during trenching, splicing, cabling pulls, and server room setup across multiple provinces.
- Led governance meetings with clients, resolved delivery risks, and ensured timely handover with full documentation.

# Aug 2018 - Nov 2021

Nov 2021 - Jan 2025

# Jan 2012 - Apr 2018

#### Bachelor of Science (BSc) in Electronic Engineering (Specialization in ICT)

Sir Syed University of Engineering and Technology (SSUET) - Credentials Assessed by the University of Toronto (CES)

#### Project Management Professional (PMP) - PMI Certified

## Key Projects-

- Enterprise Office Migrations & Data Center Decommissioning: Delivered phased infrastructure migrations and shutdowns across North America, coordinating vendors, stakeholders, and compliance audits achieving \$250K+ in annual savings.
- Financial Services Infrastructure Upgrade (CIBC & eHealth Ontario): Led infrastructure modernization in live Tier III data centers, including switchgear, structured cabling, and power systems with zero disruption to critical services.
- Global LAN Room & IT Fit-Out Rollouts: Managed end-to-end delivery of MDF/IDF rooms, structured cabling, and redundant networks across 10+ global sites ensuring ISO compliance and stakeholder alignment.
- Telecom POP & Fiber Network Deployments: Oversaw 40+ POP rollouts and 5,000+ km of fiber infrastructure across multiple cities. Managed procurement, permits, vendor SLAs, and client handovers.
- Enterprise AV & NOC Command Center Build Outs: Directed deployment of 100+ AV-enabled rooms, video walls, and collaboration systems across North America delivered under budget and within tight timelines.
- Hybrid BMS & NetBox DCIM Implementation: Deployed monitoring and asset tracking solutions across data centers and remote sites, improving operational visibility and lifecycle control.

## Leadership & Awards-

- Performance-Based Bonus Awarded for outstanding leadership and execution of a global IT infrastructure overhaul, enhancing operational efficiency and system reliability across international offices.
- Certificate of Appreciation Cross-Regional Project Coordination Recognized for successfully leading cross-regional teams on key technology initiatives, increasing collaboration and project success rates.

## **Technical Skills-**

- Infrastructure & Cabling: Cat6, MM/SM Fiber, Racking, Patch Panels, Splicing, ELV
- Dever & AV Systems: ATS, UPS, Power Cabling, Digital Signage, Room Automation
- 2 Tools & Software: AutoCAD, NetBox DCIM, MS Project, Jira, ServiceNow
- B Governance & Compliance: ISO 27001, ITIL, Change Control, DR Planning
- 2 Project Controls: Procurement, Financial Tracking, PO Management, Site Access Coordination
- Collaboration & Communication: Cross-Functional Collaboration, Stakeholder Engagement, Technical Documentation, Leadership, Conflict Resolution