

# Abbreviations

ACC	American Chemical Company
Aramco	Arabian American Oil Company
AR-RAZI	Saudi Methanol Company
ASA	USC's Arab Student Association
BDO	Butenedoil
BTU	British thermal unit
CEO	Chief executive officer
ECC	European Economic Community
GAS	National Industrial Gases Company
GCC	Gulf Cooperation Council
GDP	gross domestic product
GEC	General Electricity Corporation
HADEED	Saudi Iron and Steel Company
IBN HAYYAN	National Plastic Company
IBN RUSHD	Arabian Industrial Fibers Company
IBN SINA	National Methanol Company
IBN ZAHR	Saudi-European Petrochemical Company
IPO	initial public offering
KEMYA	Al-Jubail Petrochemical Company
PETROKEMYA	Arabian Petrochemical Company
PVC	polyvinyl chloride
R&D	research and development
SABIC	Saudi Basic Industries Corporation
SADAF	Saudi Arabian Petrochemical Company

SAFCO	Saudi Arabian Fertilizer Company
SAMAD	Al-Jubail Fertilizer Company
Saudi Aramco	Saudi Arabian Oil Company (formerly Arabian American Oil Company)
SCECO	Saudi Consolidated Electricity Company
SHARQ	Eastern Petrochemical Company
Sipchem	Saudi International Petrochemical Company
SULB	Jeddah Steel Rolling Mill
Tasnee	National Industrialization Company
TQM	total quality management
TSOC	Tasnee and Sahara Olefins Company
UNIDO	United Nations Industrial Development Organization
USC	University of Southern California
YANPET	Saudi Yanbu Petrochemical Company