

BIOGRAPHY

Guellouz Ridha

Ingénieur Général de Télécommunications

Engineering Diploma from Ecole des Télécommunications de Tunis

DESS – Business Administration – IACE – Tunis/Paris

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Carrier :

1976-1978 : Professor at Ecole des Télécommunications de Tunis

1978-1982 : Head of Technical Coordination Department – Arabsat – League of Arab States

1982-1987 : Head of Telecom Projects – Ministry of Communications - Tunisia

1988-1991 : Director of Development – Agence Tunis Afrique Presse

1992-1995 : Directeur at Centre des Etudes et Recherches en Télécommunications - CERT

1995- 2006 : Adviser to the Minister of Communication Technologies

2006-2007 : Director General of WSIS Follow-up – MTIC - Tunisia

2007-2011 : Director General – CIFODECOM

2011-2013 : Director General of WSIS Follow-up – MTIC - Tunisia

Presently : ICT Expert/Consultant and President of Tunisian ICT Association - ATTIC

Responsibilities

• At national level

- Member of the National Space Committee (1983-1985).
- Member of the National Technical Cooperation Commission
- Member of the Board of Directors of Tunisie Télécom (1996-1999)
- Member of the Board of Directors of l'IRSIT (1996-1998)
- Member of the Board of Directors of National Broadcasting Company (1999-2004),
- Member of the Board of Directors of Agence Nationale des Fréquences (2001-2004).
- Member of the Board of Directors of Tunisie Télécom (2011-2013)
- Member of the National Commission for competencies evaluation.
- General Coordinator – ICT4ALL
- President of Tunisian ICT Association – ATTIC
- Member of National IGF MAG

• At the international level :

- Tunisian Representative at the African Organization for satellite Communications, RASCOM et Vice-Chairman of the Board of Directors (1996-1999).
- Chairman of the negotiation Committee RASCOM/BOT.

- Participation at WTO negotiations on telecommunications
- Vice-Chairman of IWG INMARSAT (1995-1997).
- Member of UIT Experts Group on International Telecommunications Regulations.
- Member of the African Advisory Group of Experts in the field of radio-communications and space telecommunications.
- Tunisian Representative at the Arabsat Board of Directors (1995-1999).
- Tunisian Representative at the ITU Council.
- Tunisian Representative at the Arab Regional Conference on Telecommunications Development – Beyrouth 1996.
- Tunisian Representative at the World Telecommunications Development Conference - Malta 98. Chairman of the Committee "Networks Development".
- Tunisian Representative at the ITU Plenipotentiary Conference – Minneapolis 1998.
- Tunisian Representative at the World Radio-communications Conference – Istanbul 2000.
- Tunisian Representative at the World Telecommunications Development Conference - Istanbul 2002–Vice-Chairman of the Conference.
- Tunisian Representative at the ITU Plenipotentiary Conference – Marrakech 2002.
- Chairman of the Arab Commission for the Preparation of WSIS
- Vice-Chairman of the ITU Group in charge of the WSIS Preparation.
- Member of the African Group in charge of the WSIS Preparation (Bamako Bureau).
- Chairman of CODI IV (ECA)
- Tunisian Representative at the World Telecommunications Development Conference – Doha 2006. Chairman of the Committee “WSIS”.
- Tunisian Representative at the ITU Plenipotentiary Conference – Antalya 2006.
- Member of the Executive Committee of the NEPAD e-Africa Commission;
- Member of GAID-Africa (Coordinator for Governments)
- Tunisian Representative at the World Telecommunications Development Conference – Hyderabad – 2010.
- Tunisian Representative at the ITU Plenipotentiary Conference – Guadalajara 2010.
- Participation at Kigali Summit (Connect Africa - 2007)
- Participation Connect Arab States (CAS, Doha - 2012
- Chairman – ICT4ALL Orientation Committee
- Coordinator of IGF North Africa
- Member of African IGF coordination Group
- Member of the Arab MAG - 2014

Recent Activities

- **Study on the Establishment of an African Space Agency (AUC - 2010)**
- **Study on the Tunisian ICT strategy 2013-2016 (MICT Tunisia, 2012)**
- **Study on the AUC framework for the development of affordable roaming tariffs in Africa (AUC, 2011/2013)**
- **Study on financing of Connect Arab States projects (ITU - 2013)**
- **Study on the Strategic Model for the Djibouti ICT Sector (Djibouti)**
- **Study on the sustainability of the Pan African e.Network**

Languages : Arabic, English, French.

Affiliations

- Member, Tunisian Engineers Order
- Member, Ordre de la République Tunisienne