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He taught in the History Department at the University of Tunis (1977), is an Emeritus professor (2012) and was the Director of the "DirasetMagharibiya" Research laboratory (1999-2012) and was the Chairman of the Department of Humanities and Social Sciences at the Tunisian Academic Society of Sciences, Letters and Arts ("Beit al- Hikma") – Carthage (2013-2015).

Education: He was awarded his thesis (Doctorate d'Etat 1995), HDR (1994) and Doctorate third cycle (1979), his Master's (1973), and his Bachelor's (1972) of History, and a Certificate of Sociology from the University of Tunis.

He was a Visiting Professor at several Arabic and European Universities: Mauritanian University (1980, 1981), the Higher School of Social Sciences (EHESS) in Paris (1989, 2010) and Marseille (1998), University of Rabat (2003), University of Catania in Italy (2006, 2007), University of Casablanca – BeniMsik (2008), University of Roma - La Sapienza (2012, 2015) and the University of Constantine and Oran (2013).

He contributed to many juries of evaluation on PhD theses in: the Higher School of Social Sciences in Paris (May 1998, November 1998), and the University of Marseille-Aix-en-Provence (2005, 2012).

He is a member of scientific committees for the review of: "RMMM" – Aix-en-Provence (1996-2013), "*HesperisTamuda*" (since 2008), "*Insaniyyat*" (since 2012), "Ustour" (since 2014).

Research Interests: cultural, political and social history of the Maghreb during the modern period.

His latest research deals with aspects of modernity and evolution, as the emergence of the modern state, the relations between religion and policy, the emergence of new knowledge and the modern historian, the phenomenon of individuality in Tunisian society and the indigenization of historical knowledge in the Maghreb.

He is writing a book about the "The personality of the historian in Tunisia".

He wrote some books like: *al-Jarid and its relation with central power* (1980), *property and social strategies in the City of Tunis* (1999), *Ottoman Tunisia: state-building and field* (2012), *The research experience of the "Diraset" laboratory* (2012), *The brother, the "ra'iyya" and the citizen: dynamics of individuality in Tunisia* (2015).

He authored and co-authored books including *The social history and informative sciences* (1997), *The city and space in the Maghreb* (2000), *The waqf in the Mediterranean world* (2004), *How to become a "Notable" in the Maghreb* (2006), *Writing History in the Maghreb* (2007), *The itinerary of a historian and a historical experience* (2008), *The Individual and the power in Mediterranean Muslim countries* (2008).

He published many studies in Arabic, French and Italian in different reviews.

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