

Mr. Mohamed Bennani

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Personal data:

Name: Mohamed Bennani
Date of Birth: 12 February 1943
Nationality: Moroccan
Languages: Arabic, French, English

Function:

Professor at the Faculty of Law, Hassan II University, Ain-Chok Casablanca
Director, UFR International Studies
Coordinator, Master Programme “New Tendencies in International Law”
Director, Center of Doctoral Studies
Professor Emeritus, since 2008

Degrees:

PhD in Public Law, Hassan II University, June 1975
Thesis: *“The demilitarization of the seabed beyond the limits of national jurisdiction”*
Diploma of Higher Education in Public Law, March 1970
3rd cycle (Master) Thesis: *“The settlement of the disputes arising from the interpretation and application of agreements concluded between International Organizations or between States and International Organizations”*
Auditor of the Academy of International Law, The Hague (1968, 1970-1972);
holder of a degree from the Center for Studies and Research in the 1969 session

Professional Experience:

Professor, Faculty of Law, Hassan II University, Casablanca, since 1975
Former President, Moulay Ismail University, 1997-2002
Former Dean, Faculty of Law, Casablanca, 1979-1996
Senior Lecturer, 1970-1975
Assistant Lecturer, 1968-1970
Part-time Lecturer, Faculty of Law of National School of Public Administration, Rabat (ENAP); Faculty of Law of Meknes; Faculty of Law of Tangier; Faculty of Law of Fez; and Faculty of Law –Mohammedia
Visiting Professor at French universities: Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne; Paris XII Saint Maure; Paris V Sud; Paris X Nanterre; University of Social Sciences, Toulouse; University of Bordeaux 1; Mendes France University, Grenoble; Robert Schuman University, Nice; René Cassin Institute of Human Rights, Strasbourg; University of Toulon; and University of Aix en Provence

Visiting Professor in Spain, University of La Cala de Heinarés, Madrid; Jean University, Granada; University of Cordoba, Andalusia

Visiting Professor at different universities in Arab countries, including, University of Tunis 1 Al Manar; University of Cairo; University of Alexandria; University of Damascus; University of Amman; University of Tripoli and Benghazi – Libya; University of Nouakchott; and the Arab University, Beirut

Visiting Professor in Anglophone universities, including, American universities (under the “Young Leaders” programme) and British universities as part of the “Refugee Studies Program” at the University of Oxford

Courses taught:

International Relations, first year Bachelor in law in the faculties of Rabat and Casablanca

Public International Law, third year Bachelor in Public Law, Faculty of Law of Casablanca

Public International Law, Graduate Certificate in International Relations, Rabat and Casablanca

Diplomatic Practice, Graduate Certificate in International Relations, Rabat and Casablanca

International Law, Diploma of Advanced Graduate Studies

International Affairs, Graduate Programme, ENAP

Public International Law, Master in New Tendencies in International Law; International judiciary institutions; International protection of cultural heritage

The International system of Human Rights / Master in Human Rights and International Humanitarian Law, Faculty of Law, Moulay Ismail University - Meknes

Preparing and mentoring students for the Moot Court test, held at the end of the Master’s programme on topics related to human rights and international criminal law issues

Supervising doctoral theses and research papers

Missions:

Member of the Moroccan delegation, third conference on the Law of the Sea (1976-1982)

Member of the Moroccan delegation, Conference of Banjul for the elaboration of the African Charter of Human and Peoples’ Rights, 1981

Member of the Legal Group for Studies on the Project for a Permanent Europe-Africa link across the Strait of Gibraltar, National Company for Studies of the Strait of Gibraltar

Member of the aggregation jury on Public Law, organized by the Ministry of Higher Education of Tunisia, 1994 and 1996

Judge, Arab Maghreb Union Court, 2002-present, 1990-1995

Member, National Group at the Permanent Court of Arbitration, The Hague, 2004-present

Member, Board of the UNESCO Institute for Education, Hamburg, 2002-2003

Member of the jury for the Charles Rousseau Contest on International Law, organized by the Francophone Network of International Law, 2006 and 2008

Organizing member, Moot Court Competition among Students of the Partners at the Arab Academic Network on Human Rights, held in the Institute of Human Rights of the Arab University of Beirut, 22-23 September 2012

Seminars:

Participated in many seminars and national and international conferences

Invited as an expert to the activities of the UNESCO on human rights, Paris, 1978-1982

Taught human rights, Strasbourg, 1982-1984

Problems of peace and disarmament, Gent 1984

Management of Justice, Tunis 1988

Invited as an expert to the activities of UNIDIR with African research institutes on disarmament, Geneva 1981

Invited to deliver a statement before the UN General Assembly in March 1995, in the framework of the UN Conference on International Law in the Twenty-First Century

Invited to deliver a statement at the UNESCO regional conference for the Arab World on the human rights education, Rabat 2002

Invited as an expert to the training session organized by the International Labour Office and the Institute of Legal Studies of Amman, on "*The new tendencies in international law and international trade*," Jordan 2005

Participated in numerous sessions of the Interuniversity Network on "*International Protection of Cultural Heritage*" under the auspices of the CECOJI (Paris, Milan, Tunis, Casablanca) between 2006 and 2011

Organized and participated in numerous sessions of the Arab Academic Human Rights and International Humanitarian Law Network (AARHN) in Casablanca, Amman, Beirut, Istanbul and Lund between 2009 and 2012

Participated in activities organized by different centres and university institutes on human rights in the Netherlands (Amsterdam, Utrecht, Leiden and Maastricht) in 2010-2011

Participated in activities of the Raoul Wallenberg Institute of the University of Lund, Sweden, on International Law of Human Rights and International Humanitarian Law, between 2009 and 2011

Learned societies:

The Moroccan Society for Environmental Law (SOMADE)

The Moroccan Society for the Law of the Sea

The Moroccan Association for Studies and Research in International Relations

The Economic and Social Observatory of the Maghreb (OESMA)

The Study and Research Group on the Mediterranean (GERM)

The Moroccan Network for International Humanitarian Law

The Knowledge Foundation of Morocco

The Center of Studies and International Legal Cooperation (CECOJI)

Publications:

Author of several articles and papers published in various national and international journals

Participated in the collective work edited by JP TOC and A. PELLET on “The United Nations Charter, article by article” 1985 and 1995, Paris Economica

“Introduction to International Relations,” a manual of 2 volumes, Casablanca 1992

Director of the Moroccan Review of Law and the Economy of Development, edited by the Faculty of Law of Casablanca, 1982-1997

Director of the Review “Minbar Al Jamiaa,” published by the Rectorate of Moulay Ismail University, 1993-2003

Works of the session of Arab Academic Network on teaching and research in the field of human rights, ongoing edition